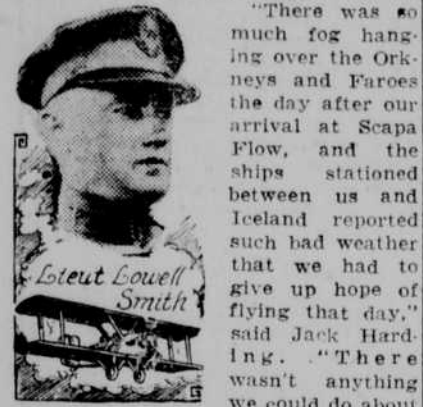


Fliers, Held Up by Fog, Inspect Scuttled Fleet

Airmen Play Pirate While Clambering Over Rotting Hull of Battleship Hindenburg.

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"There was so much fog hanging over the Orkneys and the Faroes the day after our arrival at Scapa Flow, and the ships stationed between us and Iceland reported such bad weather that we had to give up hope of flying that day," said Jack Harding. "There wasn't anything we could do about it, so rather than spend our time mooning over the rotten weather we decided to take a launch and cruise about among the half-submerged hulks of the scuttled German fleet."

"Accompanied by a crowd of naval officers, newspaper correspondents and camera men, we landed on the derelict Hindenburg. Climbing around over this sunken battleship which was once the pride of the kaiser's navy, we found the rotting hull of the ship as we used to be to play pirates when we were kids. Next to wandering through a lost city in Yucatan or Arabia, I can think of nothing more interesting and mysterious than prowling about a huge abandoned battleship."

"We had shinned up the masts and from the tops of them we could look down through the clear water and see every outline of the part of the derelict that still was submerged. There were two great guns on the stern. Leigh walked out on one while 'Les' and I balanced ourselves on the other. Then we made a bet with Leigh that he couldn't jump across to where we were. Leigh is the sort of chap who never takes a dare. He almost made it. But in addition to losing the bet he fell into the sea, clothes and all, and we had to haul him out."

In Remote Territory.

"The Orkney Islands and the Shetlands are nearly as far off the beaten path and almost as rarely visited by tourists as the Kuriles and the Aleutians, where we had stopped when away around on the other side of the world. They are in about the same latitude. They are north of the 60th parallel and on a line with Labrador and southern Greenland."

"Right where our planes were moored the British grand fleet, under Jellicoe, rode at anchor the day news came that Admiral Beatty had encountered the German fleet. Jellicoe at once steamed south to take part in the greatest naval battle of all history, the battle of Jutland."

"It was near here that Lord Kitchener mysteriously met his death when he was journeying on board a warship to northern Russia. Here also the famous American squadron of mine sweepers under Rear Admiral Strauss made its headquarters while attempting to clear the North sea."

"We spent several hours roaming about the narrow, winding streets of the quaint city of Kirkwall. The houses are all built of stone, and the weather-beaten folk who live in them are very little more civilized than they were 800 years ago, when one of their most celebrated rulers, known as St. Magnus, built the fine old Kirkwall cathedral."

Off in Thick Fog.

"It was not until Saturday, August 1, that the weather cleared enough to warrant our attempting the hop to Iceland, said Les Arnold. "But at 8:30 we set forth by way of the Faroe Islands. Hardly 15 minutes out from Kirkwall we ran into thick fog, which grew thicker and thicker the deeper we flew. Although we came down as low as five feet off the water, we couldn't escape it. Then it cleared for a moment and we plunged into a heavy rain squall. From this we flew into still thicker fog. Climbing to about 2,500 feet we got above it, and looking around we saw the Boston, but not a sign of the New Orleans."

"For 20 minutes we circled round and round, wondering what had happened to Erik and Jack. We couldn't tell whether they had flown right through the fog or whether they had met with an accident and fallen into the water. Lowell finally decided that the safest thing to do would be to turn back and at once report that the New Orleans was lost so that the destroyers could start a search. If Erik and Jack were actually lost and if we flew on to Iceland, it would mean that the boats might hear nothing of it for another six or eight hours until we reached our destination. In that length of time the New Orleans might sink and both the boys be drowned. If they actually got through the fog, then the report would be sent back to us as they passed over the Faroe Islands and everything would be fine and we could follow next day."

Back to Starting Place.

"So we turned back and hunted for the cruiser Richmond, which we knew to be following along our course. But in the fog we missed her. As we flew over the city of Kirkwall, where Major Davison from the embassy in London was stopping, we dropped a message bag in one of the streets so that he could telephone to the wireless station and have word sent to the Richmond and other boats, advising them of what had happened. Then we returned to our old moorings at Houten bay and landed."

"A few hours later we learned that the New Orleans had been sighted passing over the Faroes, and at 6 that night the Richmond returned to the Orkneys. A little later the following wireless message came through from Iceland:

"Got into propeller wash in the fog, went into a spin, partially out of control, came out of it just above water. Continued on landing at Hornford. All O. K. NELSON."

"We were overjoyed at hearing they had gotten through to Iceland. But they had had a narrow escape. When their plane went into a spin in the fog it had not come out into a clear spot and if the fog had reached right down to the water's edge, as it did where we had all flown a few minutes before, they would have plunged right into the sea, and the New Orleans and Erik and Jack would have vanished. No one ever would have known what had happened to them."

Narrow Escape From Death.

Both Nelson and Harding give a graphic description of this thrilling adventure through which they had passed.

"After losing sight of the Chicago and Boston in the fog," said Erik, "it was so thick that we could see nothing above or below, in front or behind, or on either side of the cockpit."

But we suddenly felt ourselves being jerked and thrown about and knew that we had gotten into the propeller wash of one of the other ships. This threw the plane out of control. Then, after being buffeted about in the propeller wash, it became difficult for us to ascertain our equilibrium and pull out of our predicament. With fog everywhere there was no basis of comparison, and it was difficult to tell whether we were flying north, south, east, west, straight up or straight down. But a second later the instruments indicated that it was the latter. We were descending in a spin at great speed.

"Finally I managed to straighten it out. But not a minute too soon. As we pulled up level again we shot into a clear spot and then were lucky enough to be able to fly under the fog until we had gotten entirely through this belt. Once clear of it we flew back and forth for a bit, hoping the other planes would show up. When they failed to appear we climbed higher, and after flying for three hours over another fog bank we saw something black jutting up through the clouds. It turned out to be Sydero Island."

Iceland In Safety.

"Twenty-five miles farther on the fog ended abruptly, the sky became perfectly clear, and straight ahead we sighted the smoke of the first destroyer we had encountered. Gliding down Jack wrote a note asking them if they could give us any news regarding the other planes and requesting them to verify the direction of the course ahead of us. We flew right across the bow of the destroyer, but the first message bag fell into the sea. The second time we had better luck, and a moment later had our signals as well as the news that no other planes had passed them."

"Proceeding on our way, we passed the cruiser Raleigh and then encountered another fog belt that hid the sea all the rest of the flight to Iceland. This prevented us from even seeing whether there were any more boats patrolling for us or not. As we neared the coast the weather cleared again and right ahead we saw the tiny village of Hornaford, surrounded by gigantic mountains and great glaciers. As soon as we had moored the plane we hurried ashore, where we found some of the naval men from the Raleigh who had been put ashore to rig up a temporary radio station. Here we waited for the Chicago and Boston to join us. But the ill-fated Boston never got through to Iceland, for it was on the next day's flight that Leigh and Hank were forced down in midocean."

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2. One of the months.

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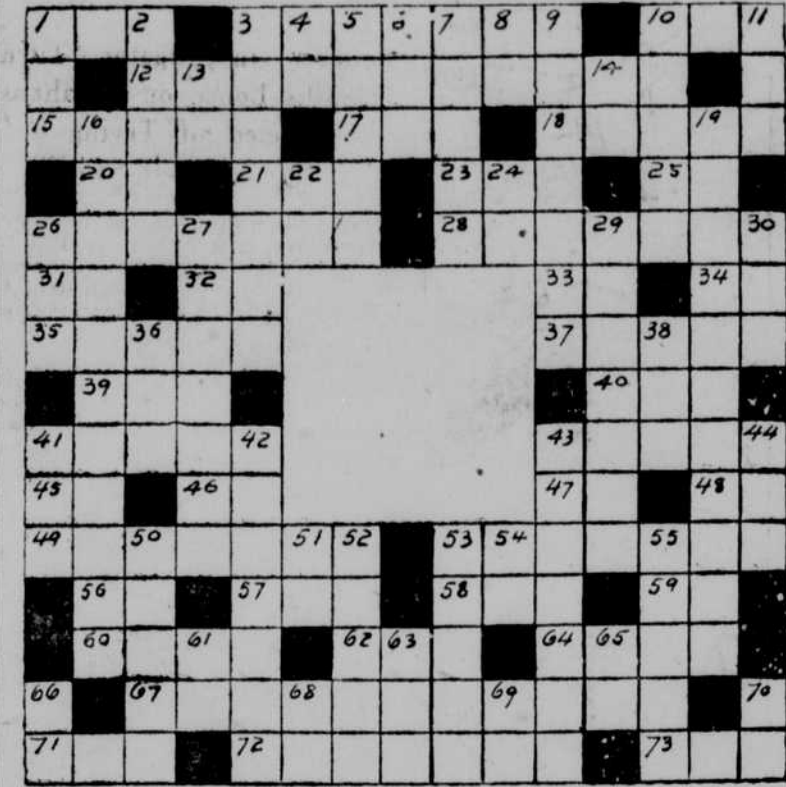
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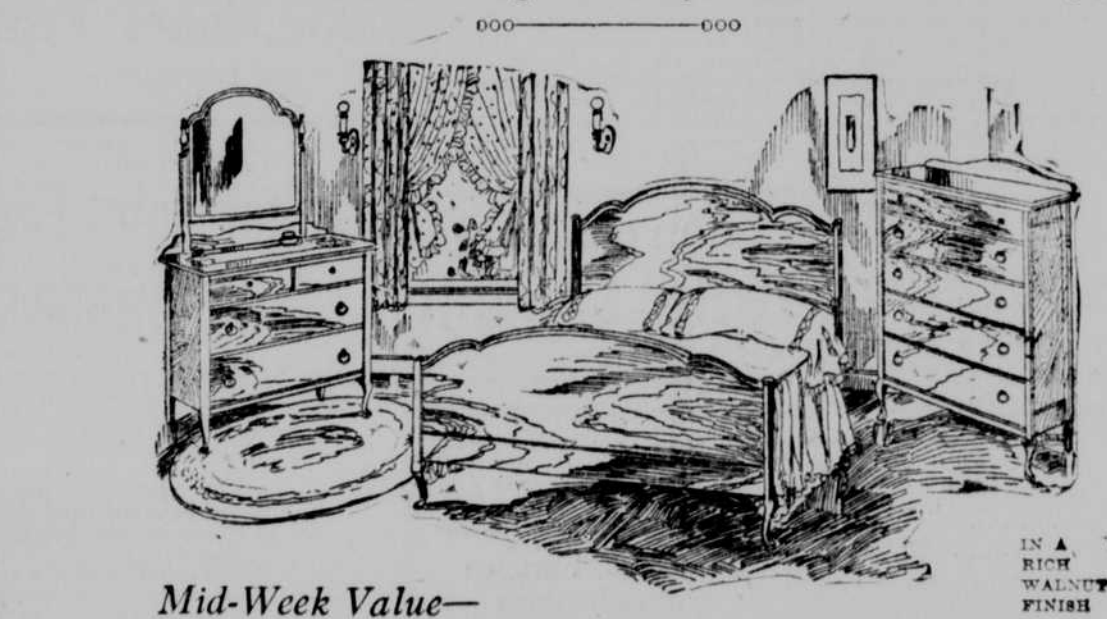
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