

AVIATORS START ON FIRST LEG OF ATLANTIC FLIGHT

Three American Naval Planes Leave Rockaway, Long Island, for Halifax This Morning.

PLANES SOON RISE 2000 FT.

Big Crowd Sees Take-Off, Including Aunt of Portland Flyer May Arrive Tonight.

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air. Their engines were running perfectly, another message said.

Long Beach, L. I., May 8.—(I. N. S.)—The three naval seaplanes, en route for Halifax on the transatlantic flight, passed off Long Beach at 10:50 a. m., flying in close formation at an altitude of about 500 feet.

AVIATORS DUE IN HALIFAX

6 O'CLOCK EASTERN TIME
Rockaway Beach, L. I., May 8.—(I. N. S.)—Three United States naval airplanes "jumped off" at 10:05 a. m. today for Halifax on the first leg of the flight across the Atlantic, by way of the Azores.

They were the NC-1, commanded by Lieutenant Commander P. N. L. Bellinger, Washington, D. C.; the NC-3, commanded by Commander John H. Towers of Washington, D. C., and the NC-4, commanded by Lieutenant Commander A. C. Read, Lynde, N. H.

A big crowd saw the take-off at some distance from the hangars. The giant dirigible balloon C-5, trailing a big American flag from her stern, flew over the naval air station just as the naval flying ships tilted into the air and then turned her nose about in pursuit. A number of small dirigibles and seaplanes, which were hovering around the starting point, brought up the rear, planning to escort the transatlantic planes up the coast.

Commander Towers went aboard the NC-3, his flagship, 22 minutes before the take-off. He waved goodbye to the crowd.

DUE AT 6 O'CLOCK

"There is nothing that we can see now that will prevent us from being in Halifax by 6 o'clock tonight," he said. "The men are a fine set. We couldn't have better. We have been looking forward to this kind of a day for nearly a week. We are confident that the flyers from the American navy will be the first to cross the Atlantic."

A minute after Towers waved his hand in signal the 13 motors on the three planes began to roar and the spectators clapped their hands to their ears. The machines made a complete

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circle for about half a mile, turned to the right and sped down the bay in the start.

American warships, selected to station themselves at 100 mile intervals between Trepassey and the Azores to assist the flying ships if they come to grief, already have put to sea.

"With the help of God and in spite of the devil, we will do this little thing," was the parting statement of Lieutenant Commander Bellinger of the NC-3, one of the navy's most experienced flyers.

CHASER OUTDISTANCED

The submarine chaser 179 dashed off to the northeast on the trail of the speeding seaplanes, but was quickly distanced as the naval ships disappeared from sight.

In the crowd that gathered for the start were eight-year-old Margaret Jane Richardson of the NC-3; Commander A. Richardson of the NC-1; Commander A. T. Atkins of Washington, head of the aviation bureau of steam engineering, and Mrs. Ida E. Harding, aunt of Lieutenant L. T. Barin, pilot of NC-1. She lives at Portland, Or., and came on here from Norfolk, Va., to wish her nephew goodbye.

Besides thermos bottles containing coffee and a pasteboard box full of sandwiches and cake, each seaplane carried 30 pounds of extra clothing, five pounds for each man of her crew.

DISTANCE 540 MILES

The NC-3 took off first, skimming over the water like a giant water fowl, sending spray high, before she rose gracefully and turned her nose to the northeast. The NC-4 raced down the bay and 58 seconds later left the water. The NC-1 was off third, one minute later.

The distance from the naval flying station here to Halifax harbor is 540 miles. The seaplane pilots plan to complete the first leg in seven and one half or eight hours, holding so close to the Atlantic coast that they would be easily within sight of land practically all the way. Their mapped course carries them over the water for the entire route, excepting a narrow strip of land at Monomoy Point, Cape Cod.

WEATHER CONDITIONS GOOD

The second leg of the flight, from Halifax to Trepassey, N. S., calls for a hop of 460 nautical miles. From Trepassey, where a flying field is being put in shape to receive the naval planes, the start will be made for the Azores Islands. From the Azores the air men will fly to Portugal, completing the crossing of the Atlantic, and then on to England. Weather conditions for the jump off today were good but by no means perfect. The sky was overcast with low clouds and a breeze swept down from the north, coming almost directly from the direction into which the planes must head. But early weather reports said conditions farther north were more favorable.

The NC-3 was first off the ground on the morning trial flight. She rose at 7:30 a. m., with a load of 24,000 pounds to test her three new motors. Men from all over the world aboard. She remained aloft until 8:23. The NC-1, which had been having some trouble with the ailerons on the wing substituted the fire in which she was badly damaged, took off a few minutes later.

PERSONNEL OF CREWS

While the planes were making their trial flights, baskets of sandwiches were brought to the field. They were to provide food for the men on today's flight. The personnel of the three flying boats follow:

NC-3—Crew 1, Commander Towers of Washington, D. C.; Commander H. C. Richardson, pilot, of Shamokin, Pa.; Lieutenant David H. McCulloch, pilot, of New York, Pa.; Radio Operator, Lieutenant Commander R. A. Lavender of Rockwell City, Iowa; Engineer, Machinist L. R. Moore of Grand Island, Neb.; reserve pilot engineer, Lieutenant Braxton Rhodes of Windsor, N. C.

NC-4, Crew 2—Lieutenant Commander A. C. Read of Lynde, N. H.; pilot, Lieutenant E. F. Stone of Livonia, N. Y.; pilot, Lieutenant J. G. Walter Hinton of Van Wert, Ohio; radio operator, Ensign H. C. Rodd of Cleveland, Ohio; engineer, chief special mechanic, E. H. Howard of Cutchogue, L. I.; reserve pilot engineer, J. L. Breeze of New York city.

BARIN IN CREW NO. 3

NC-1, Crew 3—Lieutenant Commander P. N. L. Bellinger of New York, D. C.; pilot, Lieutenant Commander M. A. Mitchner of Oklahoma City, Okla.; pilot, Lieutenant J. T. Barin of Portland, Or.; radio operator, Lieutenant J. P. H. Fadenwater of Brooklyn, N. Y.; chief machinist mate, C. I. Keeler of Eaton, Ohio; reserve pilot Engineer, Machinist Rasmus Christensen of New York city.

The reserve pilots engineers of all three boats will be dropped at Newfoundland.

SEAPLANES SEND RADIO MESSAGES TO STATIONS

Newport, R. I., May 8.—(I. N. S.)—Three transatlantic seaplanes on their way up the coast at 11:15 were talking by radio with Radio Operator Morrison at the government radio station here.

The NC-3 received instructions from the radio station in New York. Operator Morrison then began calling the NC-3 but the operator reported he had to deliver his messages to the other plane. The NC-4 was spoken and said the planes were having a fine voyage. "Good Luck," said Newport. "Thanks," replied the NC-4.

The planes were then off the Rhode Island shore.

Snowstorm at Newfoundland
St. Johns, N. F., May 8.—A heavy snowstorm set in this morning, making it extremely unlikely that the British aviators could start the transatlantic airplane flight.

Linn County Clip Of Wool Will Be Larger This Year

Albany, May 8.—The clip of wool in Linn county will be larger this year than ever before, according to reports received by County Agricultural Agent S. V. Smith. The quality is also better. Arrangements are now being made, through the farm bureau for the grading of the total clip and putting it in a pool. The mohair growers are pooling their clip with prospects of obtaining a good bid.

Birds Cut Off Blossoms
Albany, May 8.—During the past week small birds have been cutting cherry blossoms from the trees, in some places practically denuding the tree. The birds are said to be California purple finches, which cut off the blossoms for the nectar.

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850 Reinforced Muslin Hook Front Brassieres—Very Special at 39c



—A mighty low price for these excellent brassieres of good quality muslin. Hook front style, well reinforced under the arms. With embroidery yokes front and back, armholes embroidery edged. Also lace yoke styles. All sizes.
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BOYS

—The already popular Boys' Section will win hundreds of new friends during the Anniversary Sale—for there are the most astonishing values here in boys' wear of all kinds! Here's just a hint of the splendid bargains you'll find in this Lower Priced Department:

300 Heavy Corduroy Trousers Sizes 6 to 16—A Wonder—\$1.39

—Even before the war the price of these trousers was far higher! They're made of heavy, wide wale corduroy in mouse color only. Full cut, with taped seams—in knicker style. Sizes 6 to 16. They'll be sold early in the game!

720 Boys' Percal and Madras Blouses—While They Last 75c

—Good blouses of percale and madras in light and dark fancy striped patterns. Made in tapeless style with military collar. All sizes 7 to 15 years. Wonderfully special!

120 Washable Corduroy Suits For Boys of 3 to 8 Years—\$2.95

—A limited number of mothers can profit by this sale of suits for little fellows! Suits of washable corduroy in brown, green and navy blue. Billy Boy and Oliver styles.
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800 Pairs Women's New Pumps and Oxfords Just Unpacked and Anniversary Priced Friday—\$4.45

—Think of buying up to the minute styles in footwear at this remarkably low price! The smartest new pumps and oxfords in the most wanted styles are here at just about half the price you ordinarily have to pay for such footwear!



—Black kid, brown kid, brown calf, white poplin and patent leather pumps and oxfords with high curved and straight heels. Slippers with buckles and some in Colonial style. Light, medium and heavy soles. Sizes 3 to 8—Widths A, B, C, D.
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6½ and 7½ Plain and Fancy Ribbon Very Special at 59c

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Regulation Rubber Household Aprons Very Special at 49c

—These popular household articles are always in demand and will be doubly so now with the price so low. They are almost indispensable for kitchen, nursery and laundry use. In all white, black and white checks.
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600 Women's Fine Gauze Vests Very Special at 17c

—Good quality summer vests of good cotton in gauze weight. Low neck, sleeveless style, finished with beaded top. In large sizes only—8 and 10. A mighty good value, too. Three for 50c.
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250 Small Size Rag Rugs Very Special at 45c

—Rugs that are worth ever so much more than this special Anniversary price. Size 18x36 inches—firmly woven Colonial rugs in solid shades of blue with fancy striped borders in contrasting colors.
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—FOR GARDENING
—FOR AUTO WORK
—FOR MOTOR BOAT
—FOR ALL WORK

500 Pairs Canvas Gloves 2 for 25c

—You know too much about canvas gloves to make it necessary for us to say more than the price to you! There are 500 pairs here—sounds like a lot—but they'll go like "hot cakes"—better come in early!

Horsehide One Finger Mitts Half and Less 50c

—These gloves are "irregular" of gloves that were bought by the U. S. Government at more than twice the price, and we were fortunate enough to be on the spot! They have horsehide palms and muleskin backs. Ideal for gardening, automobile, shipyard work and general use!
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DOMESTICS

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10 Yds. 36-In. Bl. Muslin \$1.95
—Heavy weight bleached muslin—a good, honest material that is ideal for night gowns and children's wear.
Hemmed Pattern Cloths \$1.50
—Highly mercerized pattern cloths in stripe and disc patterns. 54 and 64 inches wide. Excellent quality.
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Sale of 100 Susquehanna Silk Poplin Skirts—Very Unusual \$2.85

—Lustrous Silk Poplin Skirts—all new—in attractive styles with wide belt yoke and sash, finished with tassel. Novel pockets add much to the smartness of these skirts, too! When you stop to consider that these are of Susquehanna Silk Poplin—the finest kind obtainable—and are here in the newest shades and styles—you will realize what a splendid offering this is!
—Limited quantity—very special for this sale—\$2.85.
—69th Anniversary, Lipman, Wolfe & Co., Economy Basement.

Pink and White Coutil Corsets \$1.25

—Two new models are very specially priced for the Anniversary Sale. One is of pink coutil, low bust, long hip and back style. The other of white coutil, with low bust and long skirt. Sizes 21 to 30. Exceptional.
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—54 inch checks in black and white that are so much in demand for summer suits, skirts and dresses. Also beautiful plaids for children's wear—exact reproductions of imported plaids in clan patterns.
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