

# AMERICAN FLYERS AWAIT COMING OF SEAPLANE NC-4

## Commander Towers Expects to Start With Three Machines.

### READ FLIES FROM CHATHAM TO HALIFAX IN QUICK TIME

#### Covers Distance at Rate of Over Eighty Miles Per Hour.

#### WEATHER MORE FAVORABLE

#### Delayed Aviator Expected at Trepassy Today to Join His Mates.

TREPASSY, N. F., May 14.—All that held the American seaplanes from making the "hop off" on the Atlantic flight this afternoon was the announcement that NC-4 was starting from Chatham to join her sister craft here tonight.

The weather over the ocean was not as favorable as had been expected, with the wind blowing from four points of the compass at noon, but Commander Towers said: "If it were not that we expect the NC-4 to get here tonight we would start this afternoon, but the other fellows are actually anxious to come with us."

The radio flashed word early this morning that the NC-4 was to leave Chatham at sunrise and preparations for her reception were started immediately. The prospects of the three planes starting together more than made up for the disappointment among the flyers.

#### Head and Stone Daring.

Lieutenant-Commander Head and Pilot Stone, the two aviators who are among the most daring men in the service, and their popularity is proved by the general excitement and satisfaction over their coming. The big American dirigible, C-5, which left Montauk Point this morning, is expected to pass here after midnight, but she may not be visible on account of the high hills surrounding the harbor.

Captain Crenshaw, from the flagship Prairie, said that a close watch will be kept on the dirigible and that there is a possibility that the dirigible will be forced to land here. A weather balloon released at noon showed a local wind east of south, and the sky was overcast. The fishermen were amazed at the sudden turn for the better in climatic conditions since the arrival of the dirigible. The fishermen said the comment that the Americans surely must be God's own children to bring such weather with them.

#### Discourage Britons.

There is unceasing elation among the flyers here, and it is more difficult for the land planes at St. Johns to get away than it is to get back. The naval aviators are certain that the Britons, navigating with sextant and compass, will have a successful flight in land planes.

Lieutenant-Commander Mitchell, pilot of the Aroostook, is surveying the neighboring coast to ascertain the wind for emergency duties. The Aroostook is expected to start at about three planes tomorrow. The weather forecast for tomorrow indicates fair westerly winds, but the Aroostook is expected to start at about three planes tomorrow.

The American visitors are increasing to such an extent that the leading papers of St. Johns, where the Britons are waiting for the start, say:

"The Americans have made great headway. New Englanders and Newfoundlanders will be glad to see them accomplish the greatest feat in aviation ever attempted in the world."

#### Test Trip on Water.

When Commander Towers and Bellinger in the afternoon ordered NC-1 and NC-2 brought around to the sterns of the Aroostook, the dirigible was to be started, as the crews swarmed aboard.

If the pilots, however, merely sped the craft through the water to test them, disregarding the fog, the tests might have been successful. In expectation of the arrival of NC-3 this evening, Captain Crenshaw, in the dirigible, should sweep the sky at dusk to assist the plane in making a landing.

The baseball teams of the Aroostook and Prairie played the game in the evening. The Prairie nine won 4 to 1.

#### Instruments Prove Perfect.

Experience during the cruise from Rockaway to Halifax shows that Commander Towers and Bellinger that in ten minutes an unsuspected deviation of five degrees to the east was discovered by means of a speed log, instruments and the planes steered back to the line.

It should force the Sopwith or Martinsyde planes five degrees off the line in a Newfoundland fog, they would not be able to strike Europe much less Ireland or England. In their flight the drift was corrected at once and neither of the British planes carries the delicate instruments essential for such work, their navigating apparatus being confined to a sextant and a compass for each machine.

#### MAKES EIGHTY-MILE SPEED ON JOURNEY TO HALIFAX

HALIFAX, May 14.—The NC-4 arrived 2:10 P. M. local time, 1:10 P. M. Eastern, today. The dirigible completed the flight from Chatham, Mass., in four hours and five minutes, an average speed of more than eighty miles an hour. The NC-4 averaged only a little more than sixty nautical miles an hour in her flight from Rockaway Beach to Halifax.

Lieutenant-Commander Read announced that the NC-4 will spend the night here and will start a fair, will start at daybreak tomorrow. The NC-4 will be joined by the NC-1 and NC-2 on the flight across the Atlantic. The NC-4 was flying at a mile-and-a-half minute clip when she raced into Halifax this afternoon. With a fair wind behind her she came on from Chatham at breakneck speed, sometimes flying at eighty-five miles an hour. She crossed an altitude of 1,000 feet or less all the way. The engine, which was repaired at Chatham, worked perfectly.

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#### Quick Results

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## Call Them "Ency", But Never "Nancy"

TREPASSY, N. F., May 14.—Don't call the American seaplanes "Nancy" any more. There is nothing to keep in the good graces of navy aviators.

The crew of the Atlantic flyer, objects emphatically to such a name. The name "Nancy" is a slur on the crew of the Atlantic flyer, and the popular title is deemed a libelous misnomer for the big machine.

The official designation NC-4 is derived from the full name, Navy Curtiss seaplane, but it is better to call it a large a mouthful, you may call them "Ency" planes, as the pilots do and no seaman will object. You might as well call it a "Nancy" as to call one of the transatlantic flyers a "Nancy."

## DRAG NEGRO FROM JAIL AND HANG HIM TO TREE

### Angry Vicksburg Mob Saturates His Head With Oil and Applies Match.

### BATTER IN PRISON DOORS

### Several Onlookers Are Hurt During Wild Scene, One Bullet Passing Through Pedestrian's Head, Inflicting Fatal Injuries.

VICKSBURG, MISS., May 14.—A mob of between 500 and 1,000 persons broke in the county jail here tonight, overpowered Sheriff Frank Scott and twelve deputies, took Lloyd Clay, aged twenty-four, a negro, from his cell, marched him to the heart of the city and hanged him with a rope to the limb of an elm tree, at the same time placing a bonfire under him after saturating his head with oil.

The negro died while a fusillade of shots were being fired into his body. M. G. Cockrell, a deputy, was internally injured with a railroad iron the mob had used to batter down the doors of the jail.

Clay was arrested early today by Sheriff Scott on charges of having assaulted a white girl at the home of a prominent citizen here. It was alleged that he had forced his way into the girl's room early this morning. She screamed. This was said, and the negro ran, the girl leaving a trail of blood from his coat. This was used to give a pair of bloodhounds a clue, and the dogs trailed the mob to the station here. He was taken to jail, where the young woman was assaulted and the negro was taken to jail. The mob broke down three sets of steel bars and forced their way into the jail. Clay's cell. When they appeared Clay is quoted as saying:

"I'm a Christian and I'll tell you who the other negro is. I'll tell his words were choked off and the mob was placed in an automobile truck and taken to the scene where the lynching occurred.

The lynching took place in the home where the alleged assault occurred. A rope was fastened around Clay's neck and oil applied to his head. Clay, it is said, and his hands were tied. As he swung from the ground a fusillade of shots into the body followed. Charles Brown, an onlooker, was shot through the head and is believed to be fatally wounded. Bennie Stafford, another onlooker, was shot through the arm. Clay's body was taken to the jail about 10 o'clock tonight and prepared for burial.

Authorities tonight said the lynching is the culmination of feeling which has resulted from a series of attempts to attack white women and girls.

## FLIGHT OF NC PLANES SHOWS PROGRESS MADE IN ONE HUNDRED YEARS

### American Genius Upheld in Epoch When Savannah Crossed the Atlantic.

NEW YORK, May 14.—One hundred years ago, on May 15, 1719, American genius was upheld in an epoch when the Savannah, the first steam-driven vessel, crossed the Atlantic.

Today three great seaplanes, built and manned by Americans, are about to essay the crossing of the Atlantic in a way that will mean another milestone in the march of progress.

Flinding room for fuel was the great problem for the Savannah, which had carried a cargo of coal for the British flyers, which use gasoline. Each of the big planes has to carry 12,000 pounds of gasoline for a twenty-hour flight.

Comparisons of the steamship and airplane follow. Savannah—Length, 120 feet; beam, 26 feet; tonnage speed, 320; horse power, 14 1/2; horse power, 600; speed knots, 6 1/2.

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY PLANS UNION OF CHURCH BODIES

### Committee Report Will Recommend Federation of Northern and Southern Presbyterians.

NEW ORLEANS, May 14.—One of the features of the fifty-ninth general assembly for federal union of churches in the United States, known as the Southern Presbyterian Church, which will convene here tomorrow and continue during next week, is the report of a committee of conference with a similar committee of the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, known as the Northern Presbyterian Church, which considered plans for federal union of churches in the United States. The report is understood to recommend a union of the two churches. The plan will not be made known until published by the stated clerks of the two assemblies.

#### Soviets Mobilize Army.

COPENHAGEN, May 14.—The Russian Soviet government has issued a decree ordering the greatest possible speed in mobilizing every available man.

#### Strike Ties Up Milk Supply.

CHICAGO, May 14.—Chicago's 150,000 homes were without milk today when a general strike was called by milk wagon drivers.

## AUSTRIANS RECEIVE CORDIAL RECEPTION

### Arrival of Delegation Unmarked by Any Signs of Hostility.

### NO GERMANS IN ATTENDANCE

### No Official Handshakes, but Members Pleasantly Greeted by Old Allied Officials.

PARIS, May 14.—(Associated Press.)—The Austrian Chancellor brought his peace delegation and attendants to St. Germain, near Paris, today, and at a later date will appear before the representatives of the allied and associated powers to receive the conditions which will spell peace for the former empire.

A notable feature of the reception in expectation of the arrival of the Austrian Chancellor, who had requested permission to greet the Austrians, but had been denied this privilege. The prefect of the department, M. Chabot, met the Austrians, courted them and shook hands with them. The Austrians, however, were not greeted by officials as they were being shown to the waiting automobiles.

#### Chancellor Is Happy.

Chancellor Renner was, apparently, in excellent spirits, he smiled engagingly, and his eyes shone as he greeted the representatives of the allied and associated powers. He said, among other things: "I hope I may go away with joy, but I shall be glad to bring back St. Germain as the best of all things."

#### Greeting Like Pete Day.

Under official escort the correspondents and other visitors of the press accompanied the station through streets from which other traffic had been barred. The Austrians, who were unconnected with war, and the good spirits of the crowd awaiting the train, greeted the Austrians with a friendly and smiling from their special train.

Some of the Austrians were greeted by the station, uncertain of their reception, but they were met in a friendly spirit, and welcomed to a measure by those assembled.

#### Women in Party.

Professor Lammasch was accompanied by his wife and daughter, and there were several women correspondents and a number of women newspaper men and a number of women correspondents and a number of women newspaper men and a number of women correspondents and a number of women newspaper men.

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#### COTTON GROWERS FORM SEPERATE ORGANIZATION

League Will Combat "Influence" of Brokers and England Manufacturers.

NEW ORLEANS, May 14.—At a secret meeting here tonight of cotton growers representing 400,000 acres of cotton producing land, the American Cotton Growers Association was organized to combat what was alleged to be a strong influence brought to bear by speculative cotton brokers and New England manufacturers on the proceeding of the congress assembled here to consider the organizing of a 100,000,000 export corporation.

A committee was appointed, composed of A. Allen Strode, U. S. Senator from Ala.; George E. Haskins, Mobile; Harry W. Swayne, Atlanta; R. F. Work, Houston, Tex.; and Justin P. Work, Montgomery, Ala., empowered to make plans to meet the alleged "influence."

#### DROP EGGS 700 FEET

Not One Broken as Parachute Bears Them to Ground From Speeding Airplane.

ATLANTA CITY, May 14.—Not an egg was smashed when Eddie Roosevelt dropped a crate of them 700 feet from an airplane at Atlanta City today.

#### MEMORIAL SERVICE HELD

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## EARLY FLOUR PRICE DROP'S FORECAST

### Julius Barnes, Wheat Director, Says Consumer Will Get Quick Benefit.

### REACH GENERAL AGREEMENT

### Grain Handlers, Millers, Jobbers and Bakers Join Hands to Relieve Situation.

NEW YORK, May 14.—An immediate reduction in price of wheat, reaching all down the line to the producer to the baker, is believed assured, according to a statement issued today by Julius Barnes, wheat director, following a prolonged conference yesterday between Mr. Barnes and representatives of the grain industry, including grain handlers, millers, jobbers and bakers.

The statement issued by Mr. Barnes says, in part: "There was a general agreement that in order that all the wheat producers of the country should secure equal benefits, that the various trades could be brought into agreement to see that wheat trading contracts to see that the guaranteed price, and if a lower basis was justified by the development of the world factors as the season advanced, this lower basis should be made to reach the consumer by trade agreements with millers and manufacturing facilities, the wheat director making the readjusting the price of wheat to the consumer, and the difference as allowed under act of congress."

#### Will Require Contracts.

"In return for protection against a fall in price, after the guaranteed price had been made for wheat, though the wheat director would require from the various trades contract obligations by which their trade practices and margins of profit would be subject to review and control by the wheat director."

"It was suggested, for instance, that the mills agree that their total gross profit should not exceed the price bought and the finished products sold should not exceed an agreed basis per bushel of four manufactured, thus assuring immediate effect to the consumer of any reduced price of wheat supplied to the mills."

"The jobsbers agreed a willingness also to contract that their handling margins should not exceed the price paid to the miller, thus making immediately effective a lower retail price of flour when made by the mills on a readjusted wheat basis."

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## PLAN FORCE IF GERMAN REFUSE TO SIGN TREATY

### Denmark Will Fight Proposed Plan of Attaching It to Southern Schleswig

### WASHINGTON, May 14.—Denmark will fight to the end against the offer of the allies to attach to her the southern part of Schleswig, although the Danes know that the people of that territory will vote unanimously for the change to Denmark.

From authoritative diplomatic sources it was learned today that it is known in Denmark, as well as in the diplomatic circles here and in Europe, that the German cabinet agents everywhere who are handed over to non-German states will be busy to use the work of looking out for the interests of a new political empire.

He said that the splitting up of Germany was an absurd policy that meant the breaking up of the countries the strongest kind of propaganda whose only interest was to bring about a new Germany. The statement issued by Mr. Barnes says, in part: "There was a general agreement that in order that all the wheat producers of the country should secure equal benefits, that the various trades could be brought into agreement to see that wheat trading contracts to see that the guaranteed price, and if a lower basis was justified by the development of the world factors as the season advanced, this lower basis should be made to reach the consumer by trade agreements with millers and manufacturing facilities, the wheat director making the readjusting the price of wheat to the consumer, and the difference as allowed under act of congress."

#### AMERICAN TROOPS MOVE IF GERMAN SIGN TREATY

Third Corps and Three Divisions Will Be Left to Guard Rhine.

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United States Organization Names Virginia Shipbuilder as President.

#### TURN OVER AREA TO FRENCH

New Arrangement Effective By June 1 in Case Huns Don't Balk at Conditions Laid Down by Paris Plenipotentiaries.

COBLENZ, May 14.—If the Germans sign the peace terms the American troops, except the Third Corps and three divisions and a few headquarters commands will be out of the occupied district of Germany by June 1 or soon after that date, according to reports in circulation in Coblenz. It is understood that the First, Second and Third Regular Divisions will be those to remain for duties in connection with turning over the area to French control. If the Germans accept the peace treaty conditions it is understood the preparation will be immediately for the remaining three divisions to withdraw to France preparatory to embarking for home. The length of time required to turn affairs over to the French has not been determined, but it is estimated that the army may take perhaps a month longer.

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## "BIG FOUR" SEND TO PREPARE ON RHINE

### Allies Ready to Raise Blockade and Attack Teuton Towns.

### NOTES OF HUN DELEGATION ARE ANSWERED BY COUNCIL

### Foe Willing to Pay for Devastation in Belgium and France.

### DENY WAR'S RESPONSIBILITY

### Release of Prisoners Discussed in Communication—Plan Protection in Schleswig.

PARIS, May 14.—Immediate measures tending to the further subjugation of Germany if its delegates indicated today by the announcement that Marshal Foch had been sent to the Rhine by the council of four to take such action as may become necessary in the event that the treaty is not signed.

The council of four, composed of President Wilson, David Lloyd George, M. Clemenceau and Signor Orlando, today considered the immediate reimposition of the blockade against Germany in case that country declines to sign the peace treaty. The subject was under discussion at two separate meetings of the council.

On the other hand, it is anticipated that the blockade will be entirely lifted immediately if the German delegates affix their signatures to the treaty.

#### Committee Appointed.

The council of four of the peace conference appointed this afternoon a sub-committee of five members from each of the five great powers (Great Britain, France, Italy, the United States and Japan) to deal with objections and proposals from the German peace plenipotentiaries.

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#### Note From Germans.

The note on the question of prisoners of war was as follows: "The German peace delegation notes with satisfaction that the project recognizes the principle of the return of prisoners of war to their own country as soon as possible. The delegation deems that all the details of the project are in accordance with the principles of the peace conference."

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