



Looking down from a plane at a height of 5,000 feet on an aero squadron in open bombing formation 1,000 feet below, flying over Houston, Texas, from Ellsworth Field. Theodore Lindgren.



Beginning early, and safely, to acquaint himself with aviation. The arrow is attached, and only the 'plane is released to sail on its way. Western Newspaper Union.

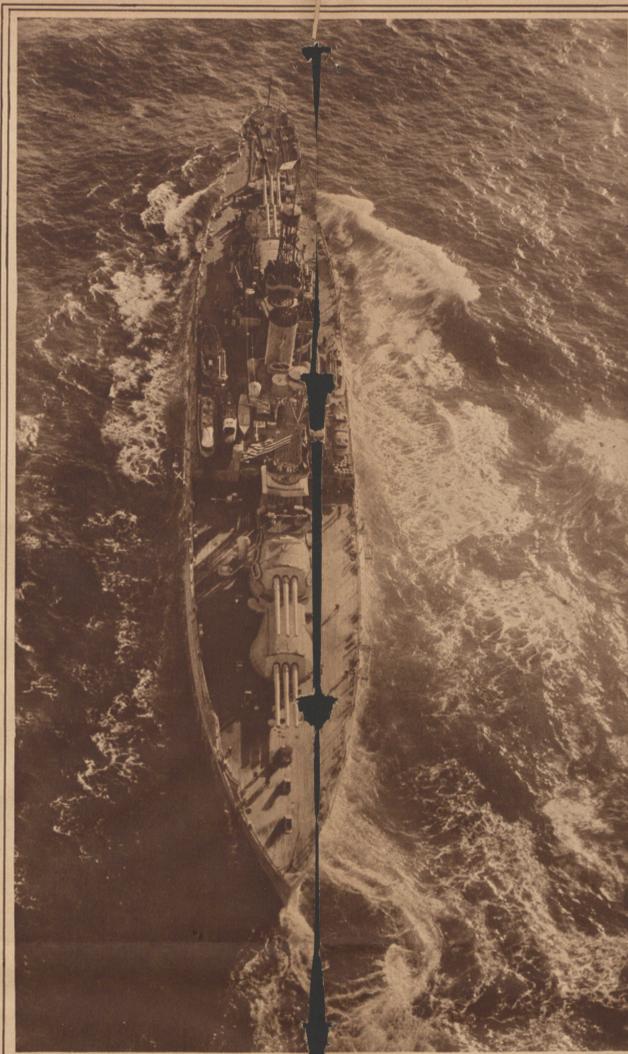


The best kind of a beginning for the day—a ride in a seaplane at sunrise. This one is flying above the clouds over Brest, with the glint of the sea below. Underwood & Underwood.



That faithful feathered air messenger, the carrier pigeon, used successfully by aviators. The message is carried in a capsule attached to the leg; the squadron number is written on the white wing.

Right—Largest seaplane made—the U. S. Navy's NC-1 has a carrying capacity of 51 passengers. The navy is grooming one for a transatlantic trip.



The super-dreadnought Pennsylvania, which escorted President Wilson and the George Washington to France, seen from a navy seaplane at 1,000 feet. Even the deadly guns are things of silver beauty at this height. Galbreath & Underwood.

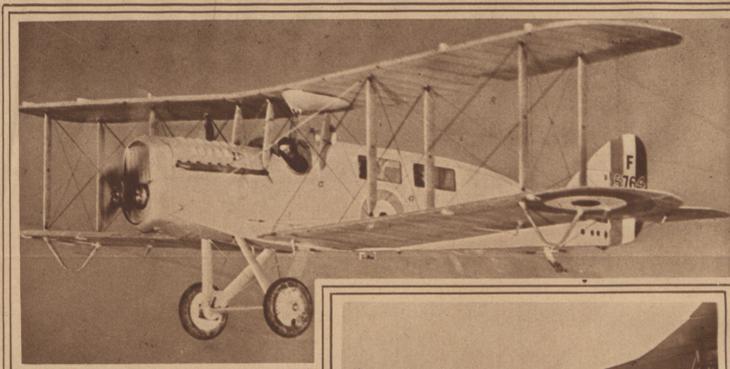


Above, left—Premier Lloyd George's mail for the peace conference is about to start from London for Paris. Western Newspaper Union.

Left—The type of seaplane used so efficiently by the navy in patrolling our coast last summer making a perfect "landing." Right—Captain R. W. Schroeder, the American aviator who recently made a new world's altitude record at Dayton, Ohio, flying 28,900 feet above sea level. Oxygen respirators are necessary at this height. Press Illustrations.



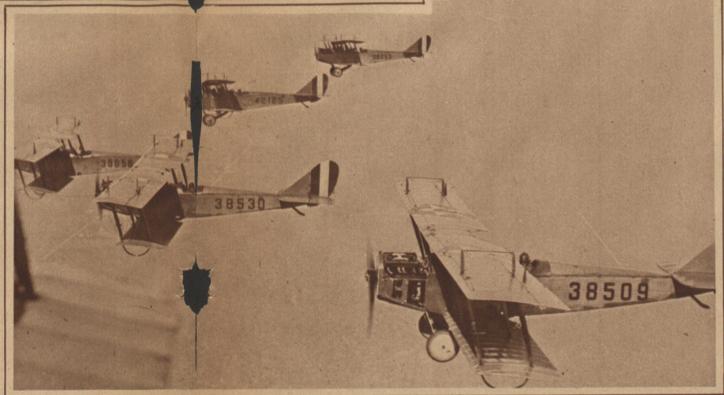
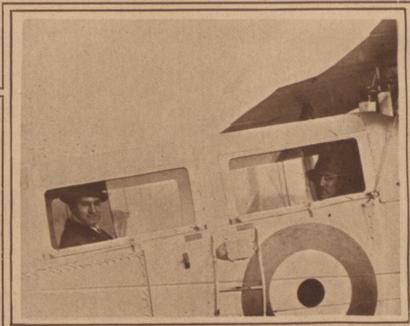
That tremendous moment—jumping into space from the basket of the balloon. The man's life depends upon the proper opening of that rolled and flattened parachute. The latest and most exciting thing in parachuting is a leap over the side of a swiftly moving airplane. Museum.



Palm Beach, Fla.—Instead of a tame arrival by train, you will soon approach your favorite resort by aeroplane. Familiar landmarks won't be easily recognizable at first from this new angle.



Above and to the right—Forerunner of the comforts of future aeroplane travel, which some day we shall take for granted as we do the Pullman coach. A British "Airco" aeroplane de luxe, built to transport the peace delegates between Paris and London. Insert—The seats are luxuriously upholstered and the window glass affords complete protection from the wind. Central News.



Close flying, indeed! American 'planes from Ellsworth Field flying over Galveston on a practice bombing expedition. Texas is one state that has been thoroughly bombed—theoretically. Theodore Lindgren.

Right—Jules Vedrines' 'plane after the recent landing on a department store roof in Paris. It is rumored that game audacious aviator will attempt the same feat in New York. Who will offer his roof? Keystone View.

