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Conflicting Reports.

Hawker May Have Landed in Ireland---Authentic News Expected To-day --- United States N.C.3 Missing --- Brockdorf Rantzau Back to Versailles.

CONTRADICTION REPORTS AS TO THE FATE OF HAWKER AND GRIEVE.

LONDON, May 19. A wireless despatch to the Admiralty from Carleton Station, says the Sopwith machine is down in latitude 52.30 north, longitude 11 west, which is about 40 miles west of the mouth of the Shannon.

REPORTED SAFE.

LONDON, May 19. Aviator Hawker is reported to be safe, according to a Central News despatch from Tralee, Ireland.

HAD NO INFORMATION.

LONDON, May 19. The British Government at 9.15 o'clock this evening had no information whatever concerning the fate of Aviator Hawker, according to a statement made in the House of Commons by Lieut. Col. Leslie Orme Wilson on behalf of the Government.

REPORTED PICKED UP.

LONDON, May 19 (10.20 p.m.). The British Admiralty has received a wireless message that Hawker's machine has been found in the sea forty miles off Loophead, at the mouth of the River Shannon. It is not stated whether Hawker was found. The Admiralty statement adds that Hawker's machine has been picked up. Loop-

head is the most western point of County Clare and is on the south central part of the western coast of Ireland. The mouth of the Shannon is about eighty miles west of Limerick, which is about seventy-five miles north of Fermoy, where Hawker intended to make his first Irish landing place.

REPORTED OFF IRISH COAST.

LONDON, May 19. The manager of the Sopwith Airplane Co. received a report at five o'clock this afternoon that aviator Hawker was 150 miles off Ireland at 4 p.m. to-day. The Exchange Telegraph Co. says that, according to a wireless message received at Limerick, Aviator Hawker was seen flying 400 miles off the Irish coast. It was added that all was well with the Sopwith machine. No time is given for the Limerick despatch. It will be noted that the above despatch was filed from London nearly thirty-five minutes prior to the 9.18 p.m. despatch which reported Hawker had fallen into Dingle Bay.

NO CONFIRMATION.

LONDON, May 19. The Air Ministry announced shortly after 5 o'clock that it had no confirmation of the report that Hawker was off Ireland at four o'clock this afternoon. The despatch adds that Hawker had fallen into the sea forty

miles from Valencia, off the west coast of Kerry and south of Dingle Bay.

SAYS HAWKER IS MISSING.

LONDON, May 19 (10.45 p.m.). It is reported that Hawker is missing. A despatch to the Exchange Telegraph from Londonderry, reporting Hawker as missing, says destroyers have been ordered to search for him.

CONSIDERED UNRELIABLE.

LONDON, May 19. The Admiralty has issued a notification from the Admiralty at Queens-town, saying that the report that Hawker's machine was down forty miles west of the Shannon River is considered unreliable.

PRESS COMMENT.

LONDON, May 19. The start of Hawker across the Atlantic in the biplane, is given precedence by this morning's newspapers over the achievement of American naval aviators in reaching the Azores, but all available news regarding the latter flight is printed prominently. Some newspapers contain editorial comment on the Azores success. "It was a splendid performance of which any nation might well feel proud," says the Daily Mail. There is likewise some comment by the Press upon the organized naval aid given the American aviators which is contrasted with the apparent indifference of the British Air Ministry to the plans of the British aviators. If the Ministry had bestirred itself, says one commentator, the British might now be celebrating a victory instead of congratulating the Americans. At the Ministry the action of the Daily Mail in offering a prize for the trans-Atlantic flight was given official approval, and is being pointed out that the policy of the Ministry throughout had been to favor the enterprise of the aviation companies. "Had no prize been offered," said one official, "the Air Ministry would have undertaken the flight months ago. We have airplanes, seaplanes and men capable of making the trip, but at the request of the aeronautical trade we

stood aside to give the commercial aviators a free hand. It is quite possible that within a few weeks any loss of prestige will have been more than regained."

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

LONDON, May 19. The Air Ministry's weather bulletin issued this morning in connection with Hawker's flight and the continuation of the trip of the American seaplane N. C. 4 from the Azores to Lisbon, said weather conditions are still far from favorable for a direct trans-Atlantic flight. The depression centered over west Ireland is moving northward, causing strong southeast wind in southwest Ireland, but the conditions in the northwest have temporarily improved. Landing conditions in Ireland at present are favorable. Conditions have improved in the Azores, where there is partially clouded sky and fresh westerly winds.

LONDON ANXIOUS.

LONDON, May 19. London spent the day in tense excitement and suspense waiting the result of Hawker's bold attempt to fly across the Atlantic, and after a day of anxious inquiries and unverified rumors and speculation, the fate of the gallant aviators Hawker and Grieve is still unknown. A Sopwith machine supposed to be Hawker's, according to an Admiralty wireless report, descended to the surface of the ocean forty miles west of the mouth of the Shannon. Later Admiralty reports said this information was not reliable. The early unverified reports said that the Sopwith machine encountered a gale, which reduced its speed to forty miles per hour and finally compelled it to descend owing to exhaustion of gasoline. Crowds of people waited the day long at the Brooklands airfield, where Hawker learned to fly, believing that the aviator would make his landing there, although experts had expressed the opinion that Hawker would unlikely be able to land there. The fate of Hawker and Grieve cannot be definitely stated and to-night it is impossible even to assert that the machine found at sea is Hawker's. The weather off the Irish coast Monday was boisterous with rain and haze. The Admiralty has sent out all ships possible to search for the aviators.

ADMIRALTY DENIES REPORT.

LONDON, May 20. According to the daily mail, the Admiralty quarters at Queenstown, when questioned at 11.15 o'clock last night, denied receiving a wireless despatch from Carleton Station saying that Hawker's machine had made 40 miles west of the mouth of the Shannon, or any other wireless. Moreover it was asserted, the especially sensitive wireless plant at Ballybunion, on the northwest coast of County Kerry, Ireland, did not receive a message. The Admiralty in London is investigating the mystery.

SEARCHING FOR U. S. AVIATORS.

WASHINGTON, May 19. Instructions to use seaplane N. C. 4 at Horta to search for the missing N. C. 3 and crew have been issued by Rear Admiral Plunkett, commanding the destroyer force. All the destroyers west of the Azores have been placed at the disposal of Rear Admiral Jackson at Ponta Delgada.

CONSIDERED IMPRACTICABLE.

HORTA, AZORES, May 19. The use of N. C. 4 in search of the missing N. C. 3 is believed to be impracticable because of heavy head winds.

BELLINGER PICKED UP.

HORTA, May 19. (By the A. P.)—The N. C. 4 was tuning up this afternoon preparatory to its flight to Ponta Delgada. The crew of the N. C. 1 was picked up by the steamer Ionia on Saturday after they had been in the water for five hours in their damaged plane. The plane is almost a total wreck. Lieut. Com. Bellinger, the commander of the N. C. 1 gave out the following statement: "The N. C. 1 was the last plane to take the air at Trepassay, doing so at 10.10 p. m. Friday, Greenwich time. We proceeded on

the course, being guided by the smoke and search lights from the destroyers and the star shells they sent up. After passing most of the station ships we did not meet with any trouble until we got into the fog at 11.10 a. m. Saturday, when we were near station 18. After being in the fog for some time we sighted on the water at 1.10 p. m. Saturday."

REFERRED TO WILSON.

PARIS, May 19. Secretary Lansing, on his return to-day from England, referred directly to President Wilson the request made by the delegation representing American societies in the United States, that the Sinn Fein leaders be given safe conduct to come to Paris and present their case before the Peace Conference.

STRIKERS RESUME WORK.

LAWRENCE, Mass., May 19. The Everett Mills, idle since February owing to a strike, resumed operations to-day, the company claiming that two-thirds of the employees were at work. The strikers claimed that not more than one hundred had returned.

BACK TO VERSAILLES.

VERSAILLES, May 19. The German peace mission head who left Spa Saturday night, returned to Versailles to-day.

CONGRESS IN SESSION.

WASHINGTON, May 19. Promptly at noon to-day Congress met in extraordinary session, with Republicans in the majority in both branches. The day was mostly devoted to the work of organization.

How to Distinguish Twins.

One of the greatest war problems of the London Scottish Regiment was how to distinguish Ralph Brown (now dead) from his brother, Lindsay. They were the twin sons of Mr. G. T. Brown, of Manor House, Bowes Park. The twins were inseparable, and so strikingly alike in every way that it was hardly possible to distinguish one from the other. Early in their military training their officers were so puzzled that an official order was sent to Ralph commanding him to grow a moustache to distinguish him from Lindsay. After passing through all the grades of non-commissioned rank the brothers had the distinction of being promoted to commissioned rank in their famous corps. In all their courses of training equal attainment marked them. Out of a school of 500 officers they were two of four officers specially recommended to the War Office for merit, and they were informed that their reports only differed in the initials of their names.

Enraged Lion Kills Keeper.

Pandemonium reigned for an hour in Woodbury, N. J., on May 1, when a lioness on exhibit in a circus side-show killed her keeper before a small crowd of spectators, escaped from her cage and bounded into a small clump of wood which adjoins the town. A posse of men and boys armed with guns, pikes and stones pursued the animal into the woods and finally killed her with a fusillade of more than 100 shots, 12 of which took effect. The "big show" was in progress before an audience of several hundred men, women and children, when John Henry, keeper of the lioness, "Lucy," and her two cubs, entered the side-show cage. Driving the lioness into another compartment, Henry carelessly swung shut the separating door and stopped to fondle the cubs. The enraged animal threw herself against the door, bursting it open, and with one leap closed her jaws about Henry's neck, crushing the bones and killing him instantly. Attendees in the tent shouted for help, and seizing iron bars, hooks and tent stakes, began to belabor the animal in an effort to compel her to release her grip of the dead man. Infuriated further by the blows, the lioness threw herself against the outer door of the cage, which Henry had failed to lock, and escaped to a woods nearby. Circus attendants, accompanied by men and boys of Woodbury, invaded the wood, and after a thrilling chase cornered her and ended her life.

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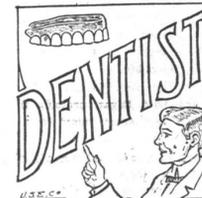
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