

—Aviation—

WOMEN PROVE LACK OF FEAR IN AIR TESTS

Aviatrix Colony Grows in
England; Peeresses in
Notable Sky Feats.

By United Press
LONDON, July 2.—Women aviators are more fearless than men, according to aviation experts here.

After exhaustive study, these men have come to the conclusion that the feminine reaction to fear is less pronounced than the masculine.

Women in England are taking up flying in increasing numbers. An official of the Royal Aero Club estimated recently that there are more than fifty licensed women pilots, with new ones obtaining their permits every day.

Under the lead of Lady Heath and Lady Bailey, women of all kinds are turning to aviation both as a sport, and a means of livelihood.

Lady Heath Long a Flier

An extraordinary recent case is that of the 72-year-old Duchess of Bedford, who set out to fly to India and back in eight days.

One of the first women to take up flying in England was Lady Heath. She obtained her certificate after only sixteen hours instruction.

This intrepid aviatrix in company with Lady Bailey set last year what then was a record by climbing 1,600 feet in a light machine.

"So far from feeling nervous," she declared on landing. "I felt it was a real rest cure to get away from the traffic of the road."

Takes Long Flight

Lady Heath also accomplished the difficult task of a flight from Capetown to London. Alone she crossed swamps and jungles, traversed uncivilized regions inhabited by little known tribes, and, at one point, was actually fired at by hostile natives.

Yet when she stepped out of her plane at Croydon, she looked as fresh and untroubled as though she was returning from an afternoon stroll.

Lady Bailey is equally fearless. Three months ago she completed the reverse of Lady Heath's exploit by flying, also solo, from London to the Cape. She flies in air races purely for enjoyment.

Drives Air Taxi

Then there is another type of woman aviator. Miss O'Brien operates her plane as an air taxi.

She believes that it is possible to earn a living in this way and adds that she finds the work highly congenial.

Ready at all hours to go anywhere, she is leading the way to a new field for women who wish to be self-supporting.

Prepare Airport

By Times Special
BLOOMINGTON, Ind., July 2.—Twenty men are working at the Bloomington airport, which became a reality last week through purchase of a farm by the Graham Motor Sales Company. The field will have two runways, one 1,400 feet long, the other 1,600.

Gets Air Mail Place
By Times Special
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Air Board Reaches Paris

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Tea Party Held in Air

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Bremen Fliers to Erin
By United Press

CROYDON AIRDROME, England, July 2.—Hermann Koehl, Baron Gunther von Huenfeld and Maj. James Fitzmaurice of the German trans-Atlantic airplane Bremen, arrived from Berlin on their way to Ireland, whence the Bremen started on its historic flight.

Fear Mail Plane Lost
By United Press
PARIS, July 2.—A Paris-bound French airplane, used in the Paris-South American mail service, was believed today to have fallen in the wild Rio De Oro region of Africa, where a crew of Uruguayan aviators was held prisoners a couple of years ago. The plane left Cape Juby Saturday for Casablanca.

Planes Stop Here
Several planes with passengers stopped over the week-end at the Indianapolis airport.

An International biplane carrying two passengers and piloted by M. R. McHenry stopped Saturday night and left Sunday morning for Seattle, Wash.

Pilot H. H. Speer with a passenger in an International biplane stopped Sunday en route to Cincinnati from Chicago.

Seagant L. M. Johnson, an in-

They Brave Sea



BODY OF MAIL FLIER IS FOUND IN LONG HUNT

Storm Wrecks Plane in
Woods; Missing for
Two Days.

By United Press
ST. LOUIS, July 2.—The body of Leslie H. Smith, crack air mail pilot for the Robertson Aircraft Corporation, was found lying on a wing of his wrecked plane, nine miles north of Ellinwood, Mo., 120 miles south of St. Louis, yesterday.

Three farmers discovered the body, ending a two and one-half day search by a squad of airplanes, one dirigible and thousands of searchers afoot and in automobiles.

Smith was reported missing Thursday night, after he had left Little Rock, en route to St. Louis, with photographs of the Houston Democratic convention.

Apparently a storm had forced the plane so low that the pilot was unable to rise over a group of trees which the craft plowed. Tops of trees were torn off for 300 feet. The plane struck a huge oak and was demolished.

The body will be taken to Memphis, Mo., where Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Smith, parents of the 25-year-old pilot, live.

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From Spain to Halifax, Nova Scotia, with an intermediate stop at the Azores Islands is the air trail these men are trying to blaze. They hopped off from Lisbon in a British seaplane, Captain Frank Courtney, English flier, at top, is the pilot. Below is E. B. Hosmer, Canadian millionaire and backer of the project.

In the Air

CONDITIONS AT 9:30 A. M.
(Compiled for The Times by Government Weather Observatory, J. C. Walker, Director of the Government aeronautical observer.)

Southwest wind 4 miles an hour; barometric pressure 30.01 at sea level; temperature, 77; ceiling, unlimited; visibility, 7 miles.

struck for the National Guard at the airport, left Sunday for Cincinnati with the air mail on his way to Dayton, Ohio, where he will go on two weeks' active duty at the Wilbur Wright field.

Sergeant Charles Depka will leave late today or Tuesday for two weeks' active duty at the same port.

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Drops Purse From Plane

By United Press
MT. CARMEL, Pa., July 2.—Barbara Pearson went to Washington recently with the Ashland graduating class and while on an airplane tour over the capital, dropped her pocketbook.

Today she received the pocketbook from William Owen, who said he had retrieved it from the roof of his home.

Brings New Plane

Capt. H. Weir Cook of the 113th observation squadron of the National Guard, arrived at the Indianapolis airport Sunday from Buffalo, N. Y., with a new plane to be used in instruction work at the port.

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Retreat Formations will be held

at sundown each night during this week.

Best Daylight Features

TUESDAY
WKBK (232) INDIANAPOLIS
(Hoosier Athletic Club)

10:00—Correct time, Julius C. Walk, M. C.

10:23—Interesting Bits of History, courtesy of Indianapolis Public Library.

10:30—KDKA (12) Pittsburgh, Service.

11:30—Live Stock and Grain Market, Weather and Shipments Forecast.

3:15—Readings from the new poets.

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