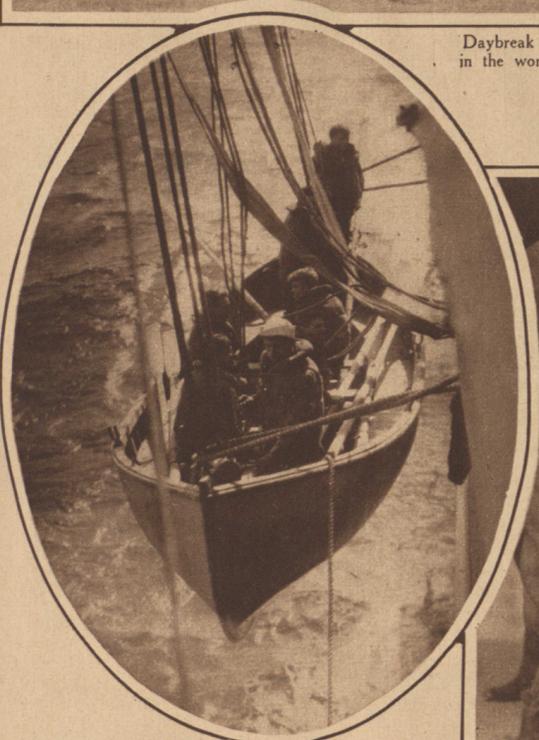


Daybreak over the bay at Ponta Delgada, with the NC-4 making final preparations for her getaway at sunrise on the 800-mile leg to Lisbon, in the world's first successful transatlantic aerial voyage, from St. John's to Plymouth, England. *Edwin Levick.*



Lowering the lifeboat from the destroyer Harding to take off the crew of the NC-3 on her arrival at Ponta Delgada. None of the messages sent by the NC-3 during her trying experience were received, by destroyers which were searching for her. *Edwin Levick.*



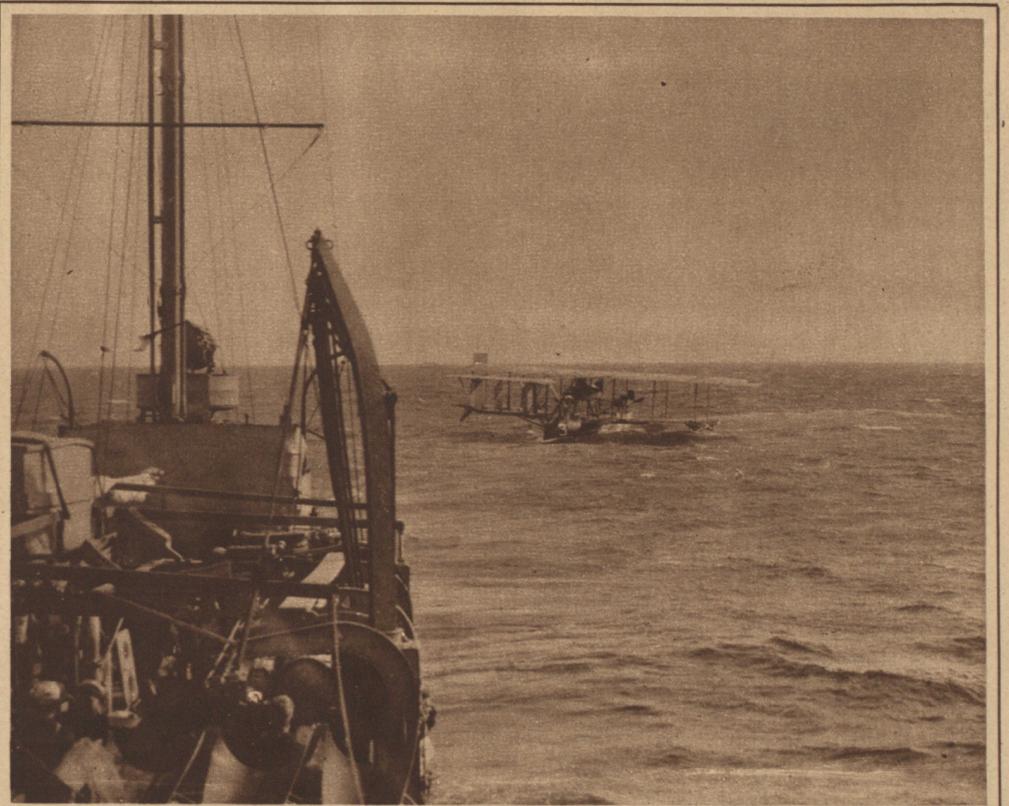
Five of the crew of the NC-3 on their arrival at Ponta Delgada, worn and dishevelled from the sixty-hour struggle with the waves. The hands of the men were swollen from the constant use of the bailing pump. L. to R.—Lt. Braxton Rhodes, Lt. Com. R. A. Lavender, Boatswain L. R. Moore, Lt. Com. H. C. Richardson and Com. John Towers, admiral of the fleet. Lt. E. H. McCulloch who suffered severely, from seasickness, is not in the photo. *Edwin Levick.*



Lieut. Com. Albert Read, commander of the successful NC-4, and Admiral Jackson, commander of the naval base in the Azores, whose hospitality the crews of the NC's enjoyed during their stay in the islands. *P. Thompson.*



The disabled NC-3, flagship of the fleet of Nancys, forced to descend to the water some 300 miles from her goal because of heavy fog. Unable to rise again because of her injuries, the NC-3 taxied into the port of Ponta Delgada under her own power after a gallant sixty-hour fight drifting to land through heavy seas. Her crew smoked constantly in order to keep awake during the long strain. *Central News.*



The NC-3 approaches Ponta Delgada and is sighted by the destroyer Harding, which steams up to offer assistance. Declining help, the dauntless crew brought the damaged 'plane into port under her own power. Only after their NC had reached her goal would the men leave to board the Harding. Com. Towers estimated that it would take 100 mechanics three months' time to repair the NC-3. *Edwin Levick.*