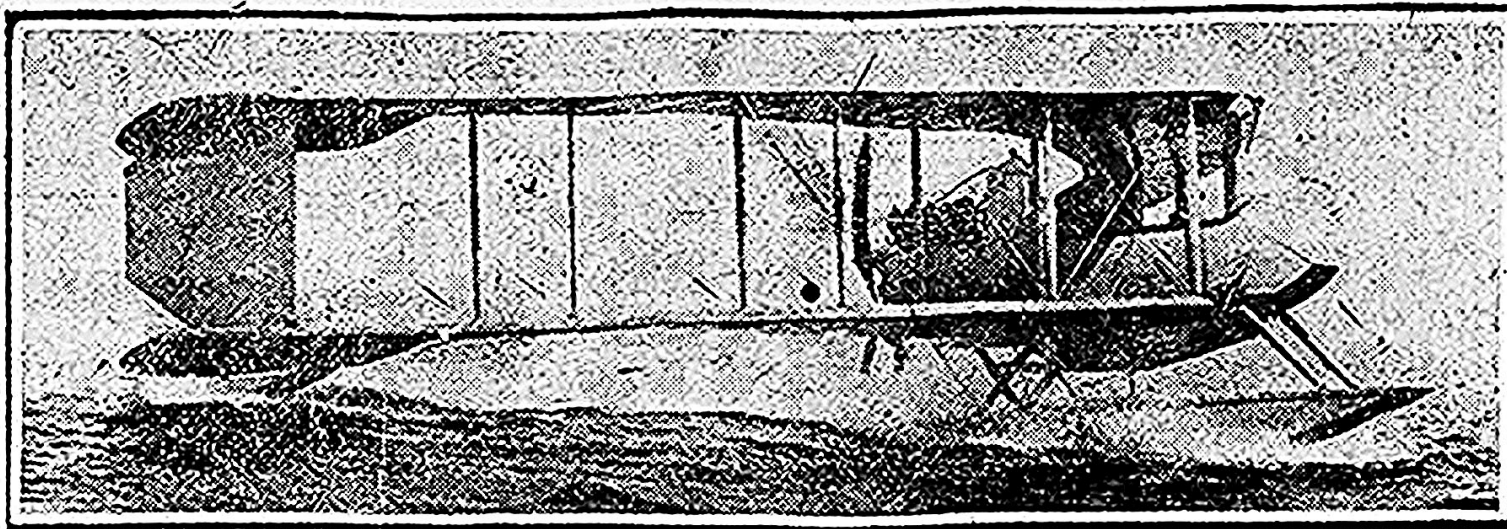


VINCENT ASTOR'S FLYING BOAT.



Life at Marblehead has had an added element of interest in the past week, following the virtual closing of the yachting season on Labor Day, by the successful trials in and over the harbor of a flying boat built for Vincent Astor at the airplane plant at the head of the harbor.

The young multi-millionaire and his young bride—whose honeymoon cannot be said to have ended yet—were in the harbor in their steamship yacht, the Noma, for the flier's trials.

Thursday the flying boat took wing, having undergone repairs, following a slight in May which nearly proved disastrous. Mr Astor was not then on board. This time Mr Astor and his instructor, Clifford Webster, went up in the boat with complete success.

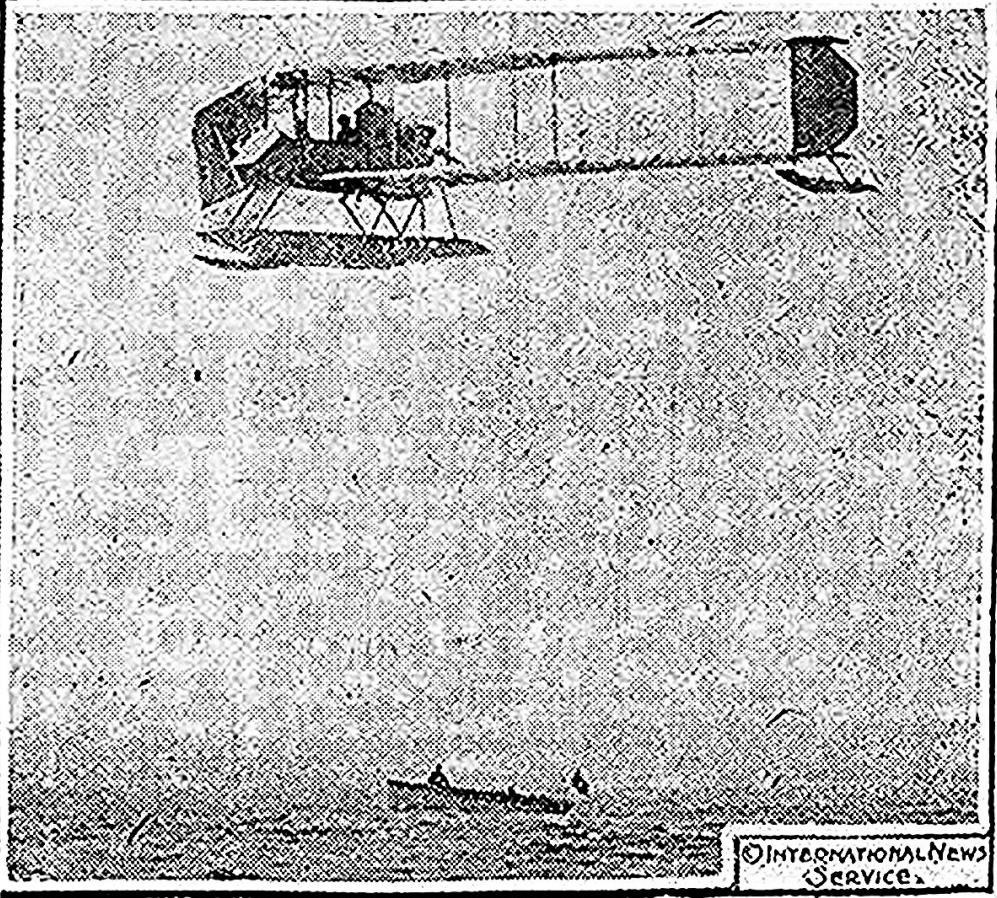
The trials were followed with much interest by the people of Marblehead, residents of the Neck and people on the North Shore, since the boat when in flight could be seen for miles.

Young Mr Astor expressed his delight with his scientific toy, and its delivery at an early date was arranged.

While the Noma made Marblehead its headquarters, its owner and his wife made frequent trips ashore, attracting much attention in the town and unconsciously winning the approbation of the natives of Marblehead by their democratic ways.

They motored some and played golf some on North Shore links, as a matter of course, but they won the heart of Marblehead when they left their luxurious floating home in the evening and attended a local "movie" show.

Mr and Mrs Astor were married April 29 last. Mrs Astor was Helen Dinsmore Huntington of Staatsburg, N. Y. She



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is represented as having "a wholesome, commonplace disposition, with a love of outdoor life and no extraordinary fads." Their romance began in childhood. She

has a fortune in her own right, and he on his 21st birthday came into half a fortune estimated at \$160,000,000. Mr Astor is now 24 and his bride is 22.