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Remaining in the south Beachey started a one-week flying engagement at San Juan, Puerto Rico on December 7th, the first flight ever seen there. He filled other dates there, then was a contestant at the Air Meet in Havana, Cuba for six days beginning December 22d. Flying there also were Havens and Walsh. At the event Beachey won a race over the city and return on January 2d, 1912.

From Havana Beachey was a contestant at the Los Angeles Air West January 20th to 28th, 1912. Just one year before he had been a mere student novice there, unable to make a hop without smashing the machine, now he was a headliner everywhere by his seemingly reckless, but spectacular, flying ability. At Los Angeles he "stole the show" to cheering crowds with his dives, tight spirals and roller-coaster antics. There he and Glenn Martin also conducted a series of night flying experiments.

Following this Beachey was a contestant at the Oakland, California meet February 17th to 25th, then reportedly took a well earned vacation. He resumed flying on May 11th at College Park, Maryland to conduct military requirement tests of a large dual-control Curtiss machine for the Curtiss Company. The trials required a climb of 2,000 feet in ten minutes with a 450 pound load. On June 8th Beachey flew at a small Yale Aero Club meet at New Haven, Connecticut disguised as a woman and was introduced as "Madame Helene" who knew practically nothing about flying. Discarding his usual graceful style he took off in a wobbling dash, then cavorted and careened

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