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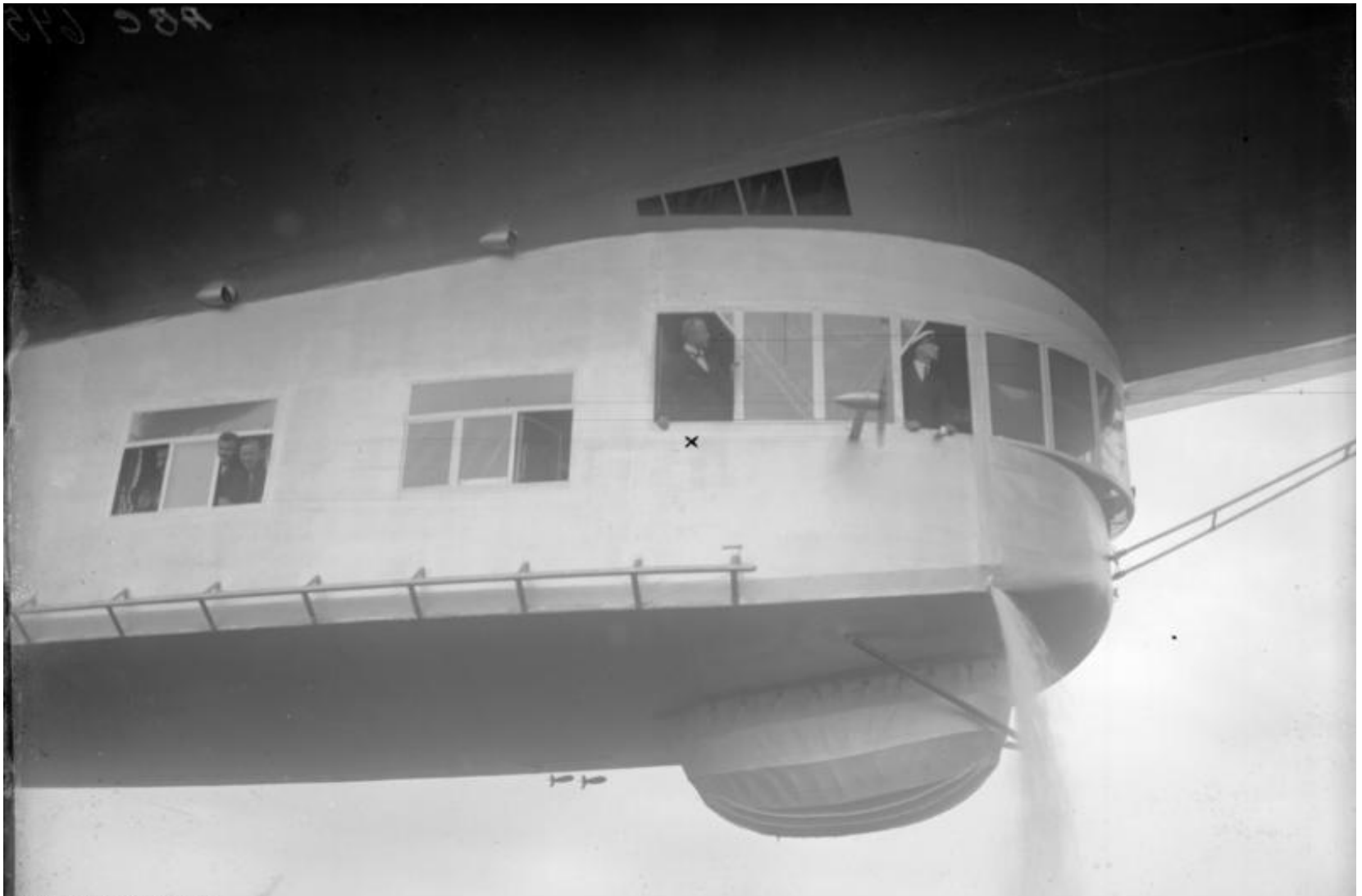


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August 27, 1924 – The ZR-3, built for the US Navy is pulled out of the hangar in Friedrichshafen by hundreds of handlers for its first test flight.

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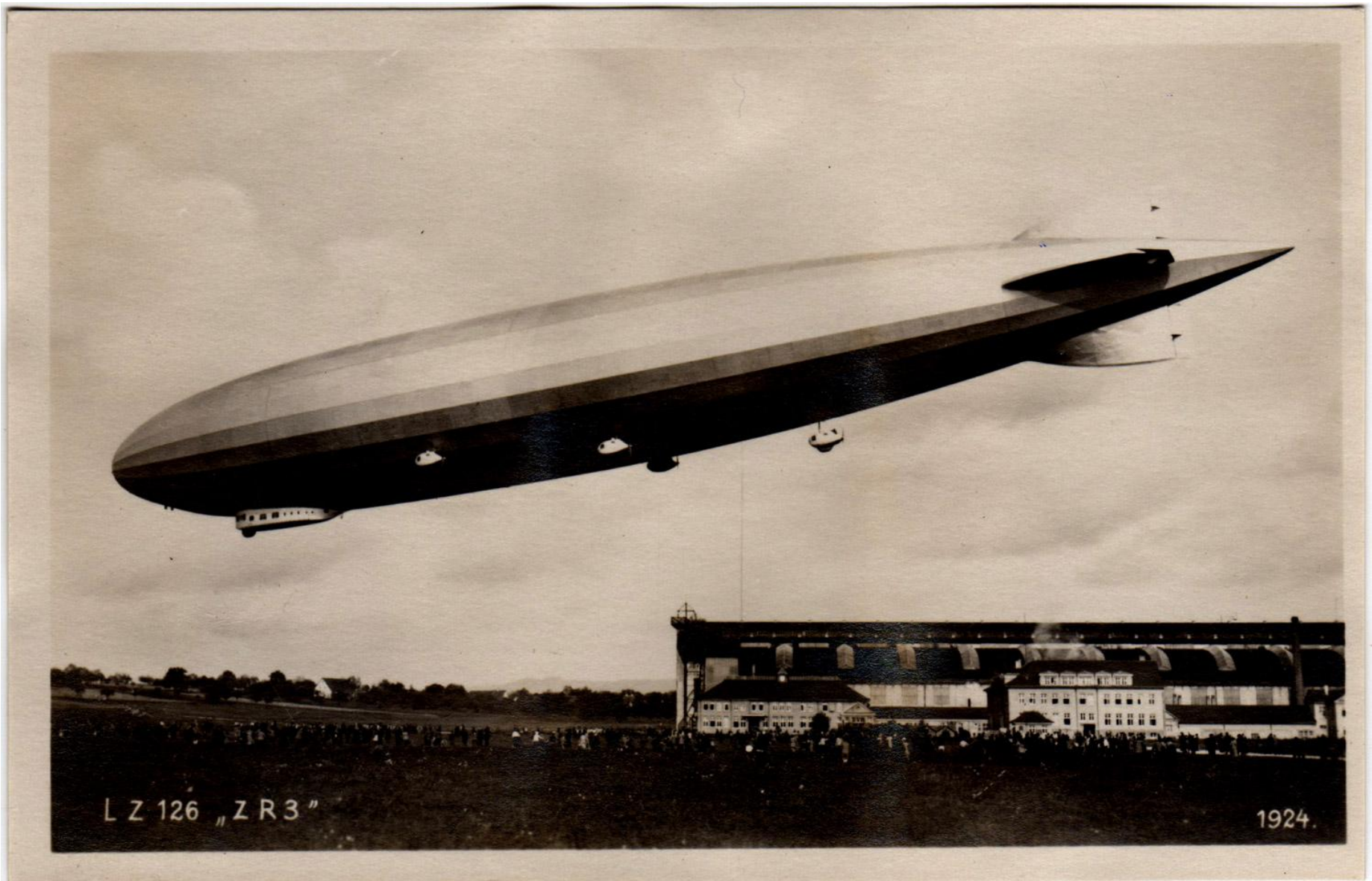


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August 27, 1924 – The ZR-3's control car as it leaves for its first test flight. Dr. Hugo Eckner can be seen in the window marked with an x.

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1924 – The LZ126/ZR-3 at Friedrichshafen during a test flight before its transatlantic flight for delivery to the U. S. Navy. Photo courtesy of airships.net

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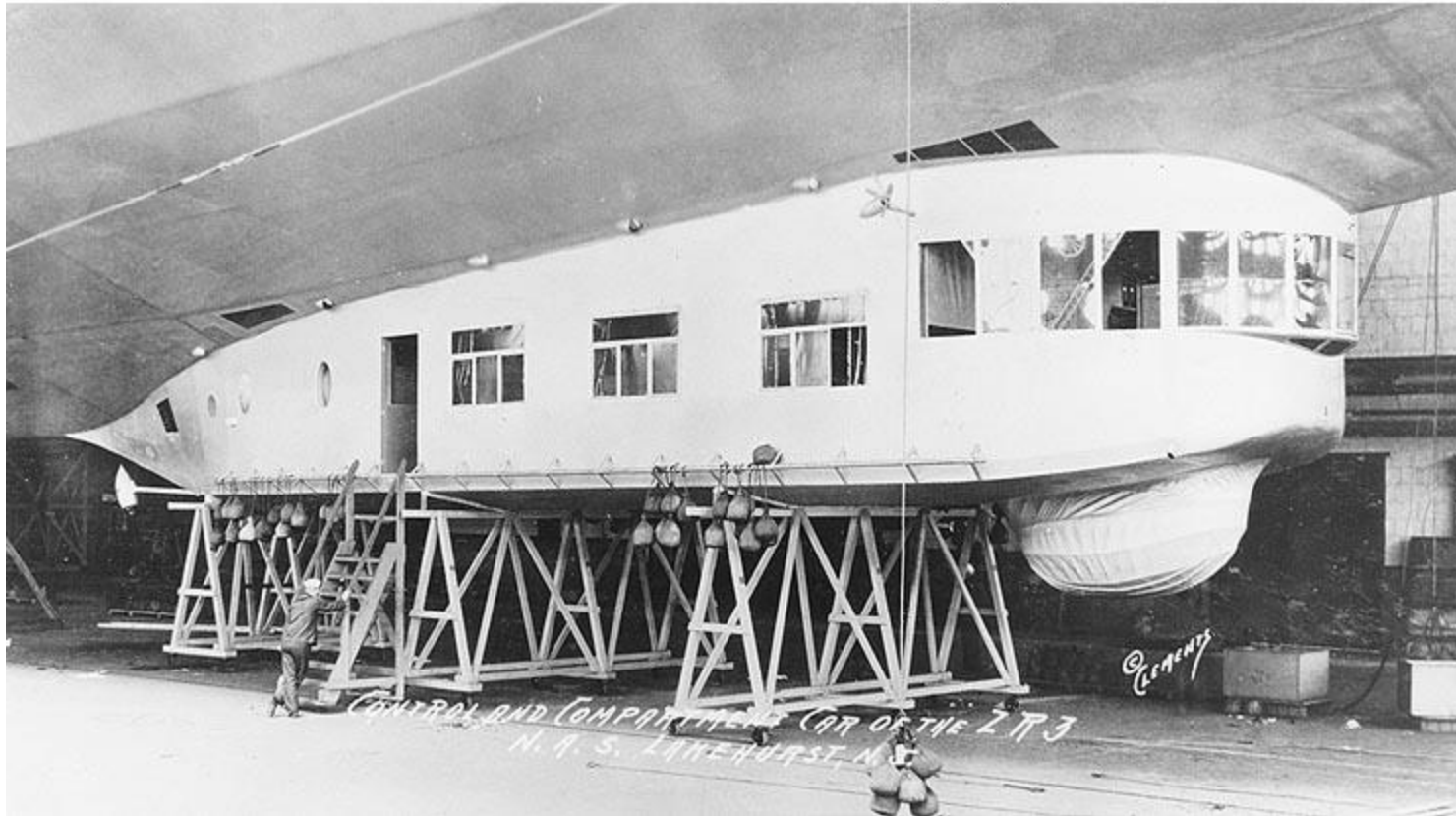


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1924 – The ZR-1, USS *Shenandoah* and the ZR-3, USS *Los Angeles* in the NAS Lakehurst hangar.
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Photo # NH 67775 Control car of USS Los Angeles, circa 1925

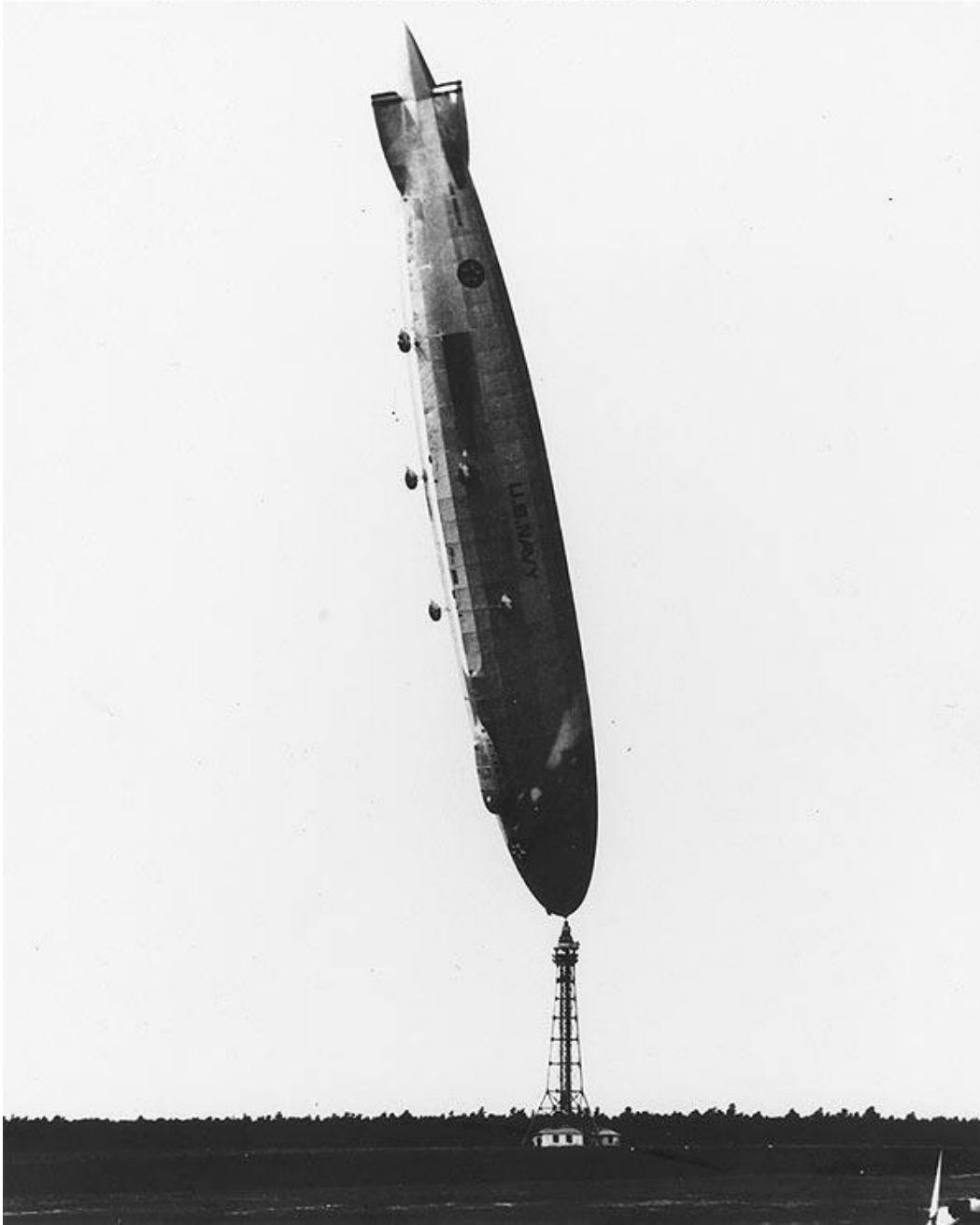


1925 – View of the *Los Angeles*' control car, taken while she was resting in the airship hangar at Naval Air Station Lakehurst, New Jersey. Note sandbag weights used to keep the airship from lifting off the wooden supporting structure.

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Photo # NH 84568 USS Los Angeles stands on end, 25 August 1927



August 25, 1927 – The USS *Los Angeles* in a near-vertical position, after her tail rose out-of-control while she was moored at the high mast at Naval Air Station Lakehurst, New Jersey. This incident, which resulted from the sudden arrival of a cold air front that lifted the airship's tail, causing it to rise before she could swing around the mast parallel to the new wind direction. *Los Angeles* suffered only minor damage, but the affair demonstrated the risks involved with high mooring masts.

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Photo # NH 63067 USS Los Angeles landing on USS Saratoga, Jan. 1928



January 27, 1928 – The USS *Los Angeles* landing on the USS *Saratoga* (CV-3). Note lines used to walk the airship forward from the aircraft carrier's stern.

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Photo # NH 44095 USS Los Angeles landing on USS Saratoga, Jan. 1928

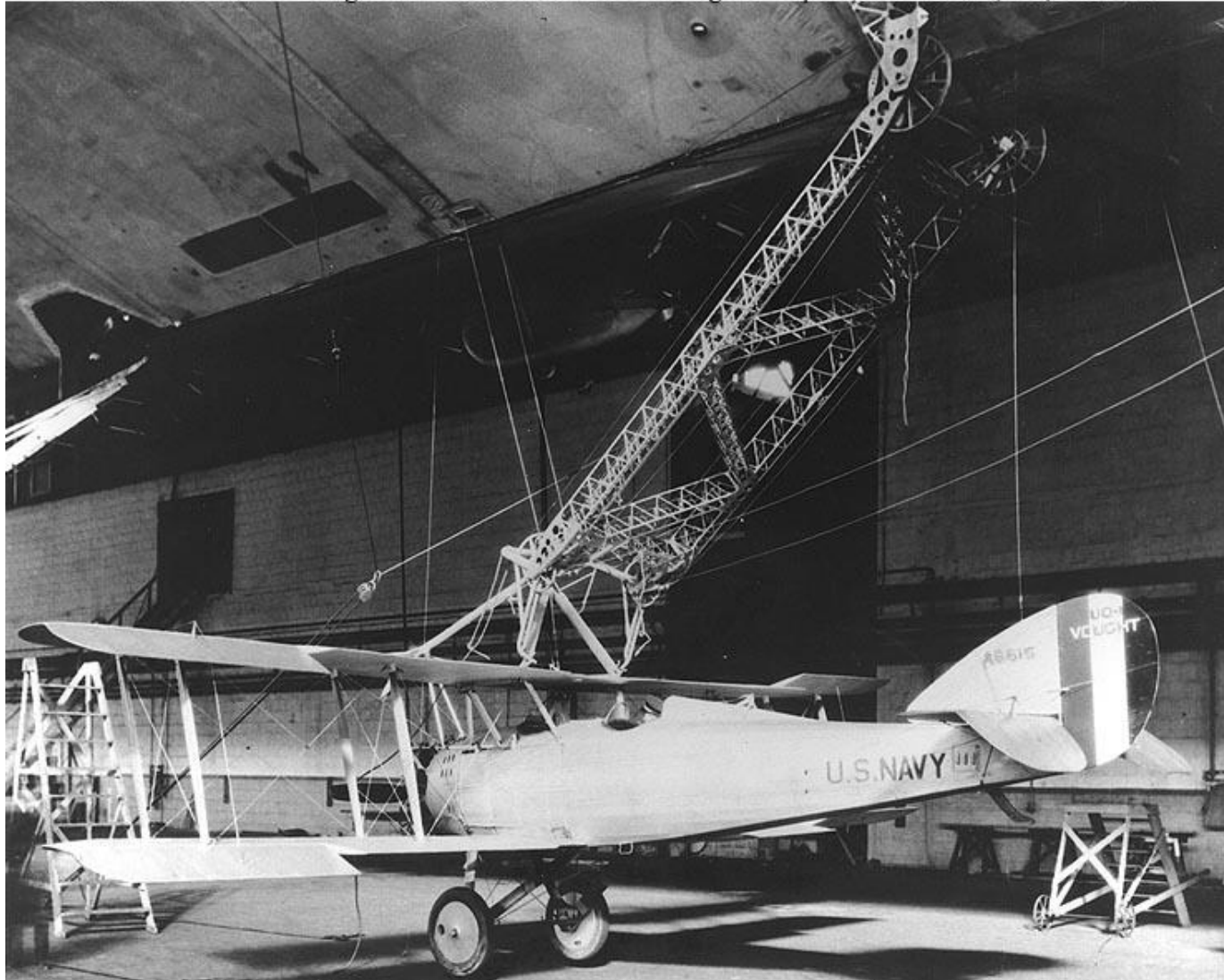


January 27, 1928 – Sailors hold on to the USS *Los Angeles*' control car, after she had landed on USS *Saratoga* after flight.

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Photo # NH 80774 Vought UO-1 attached to USS Los Angeles' trapeze, at Lakehurst, N.J. Dec. 1929



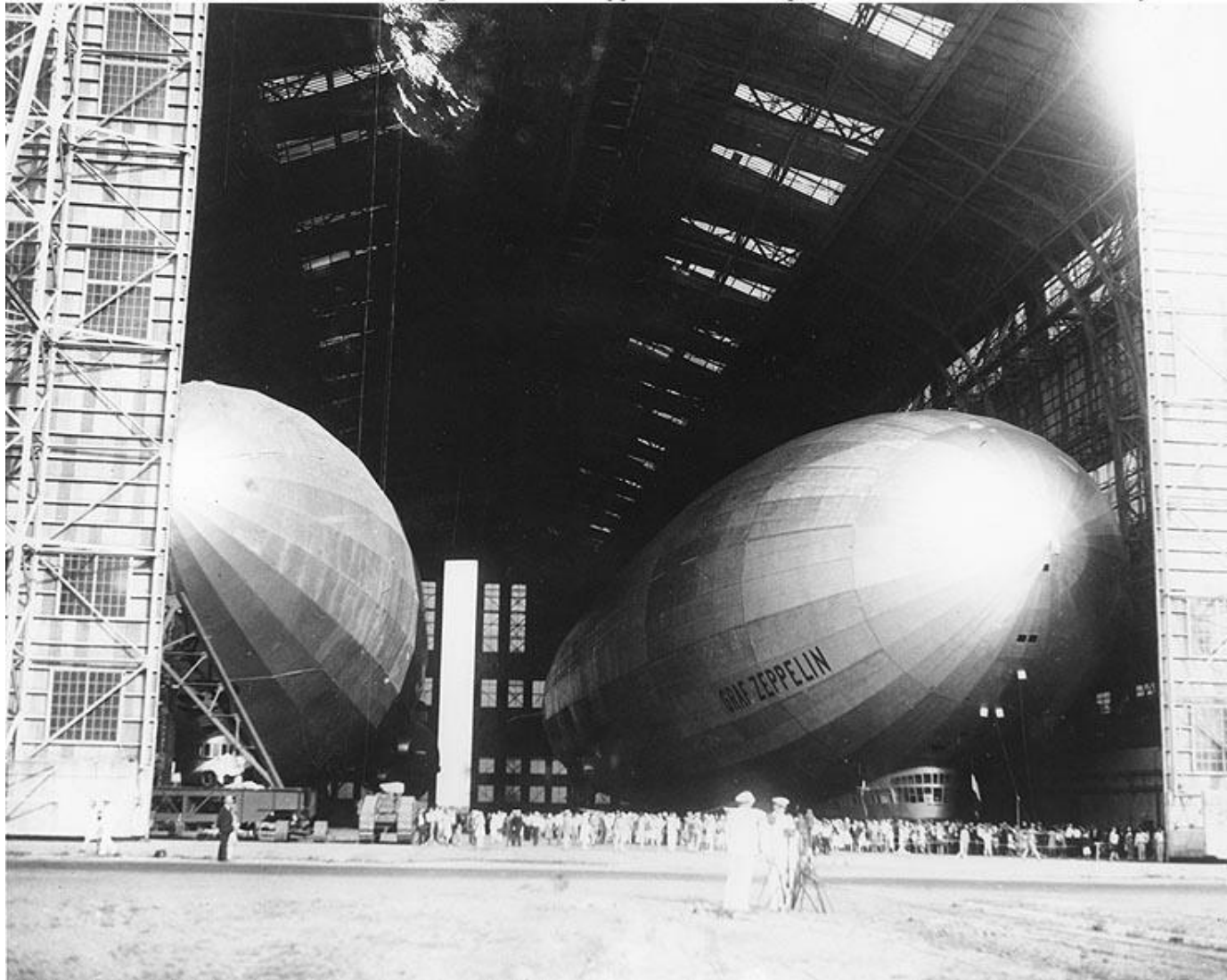
December 15, 1929 – An observation plane attached to the trapeze of USS *Los Angeles* during mating experiments in the airship hangar at Naval Air Station Lakehurst, New Jersey.

The USS *Los Angeles* never actually carried airplanes.

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Photo # NH 69168 USS Los Angeles & Graf Zeppelin in the hangar at NAS Lakehurst, New Jersey



August 7, 1929 – German Dirigible *Graf Zeppelin* (LZ-127) (at right) in the airship hangar at Naval Air Station Lakehurst, New Jersey. Also in the hangar is USS *Los Angeles* (ZR-3), which had been built in Germany as Zeppelin airship LZ-126.

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Photo # 80-G-462136 Carriers Lexington & Saratoga, and USS Patoka, seen from USS Los Angeles, circa 1930

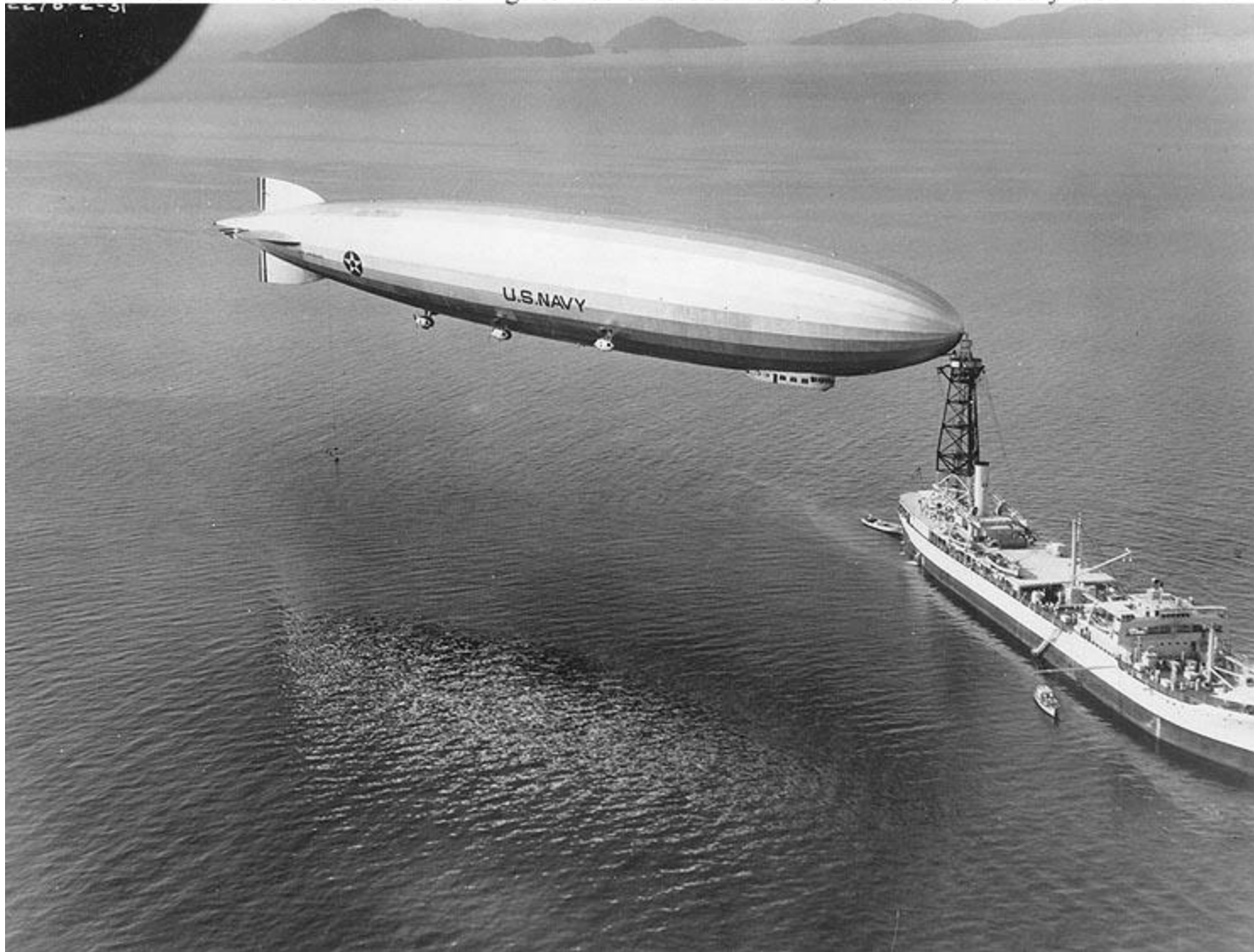


1930 – The USS *Los Angeles* (ZR-3) flies over ships of the U.S. Fleet. Photographed from on board the airship, with two of her engine cars in the foreground, are the USS *Patoka*, closest to the camera (note mooring mast near the stern), and the aircraft carriers *Lexington* and *Saratoga*.

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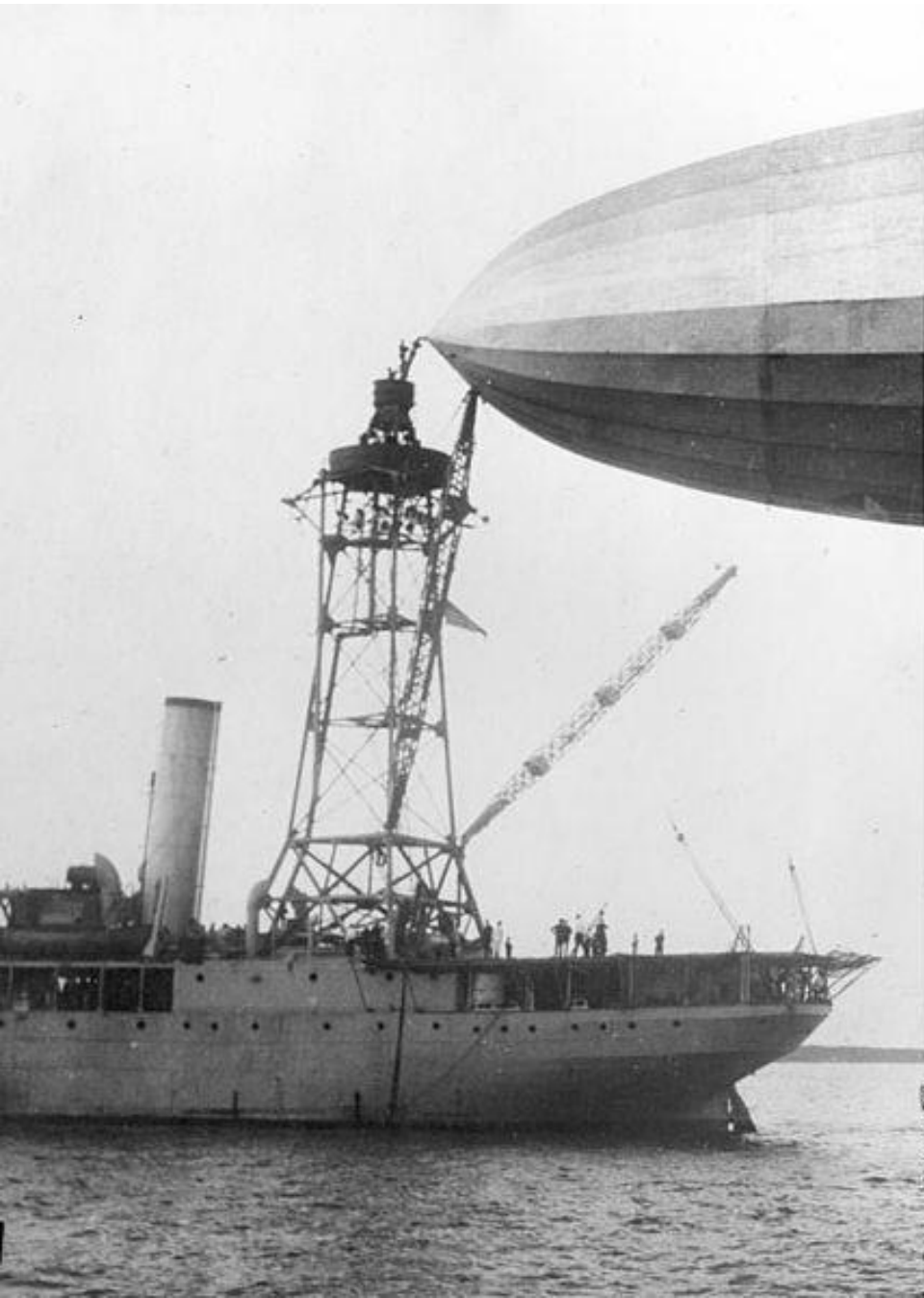
Photo # NH 63069 USS Los Angeles moored to USS Patoka, off Panama, February 1931



February, 1931 – The USS *Los Angeles* is moored to USS *Patoka* (AO-9), off Panama during Fleet Problem XII.

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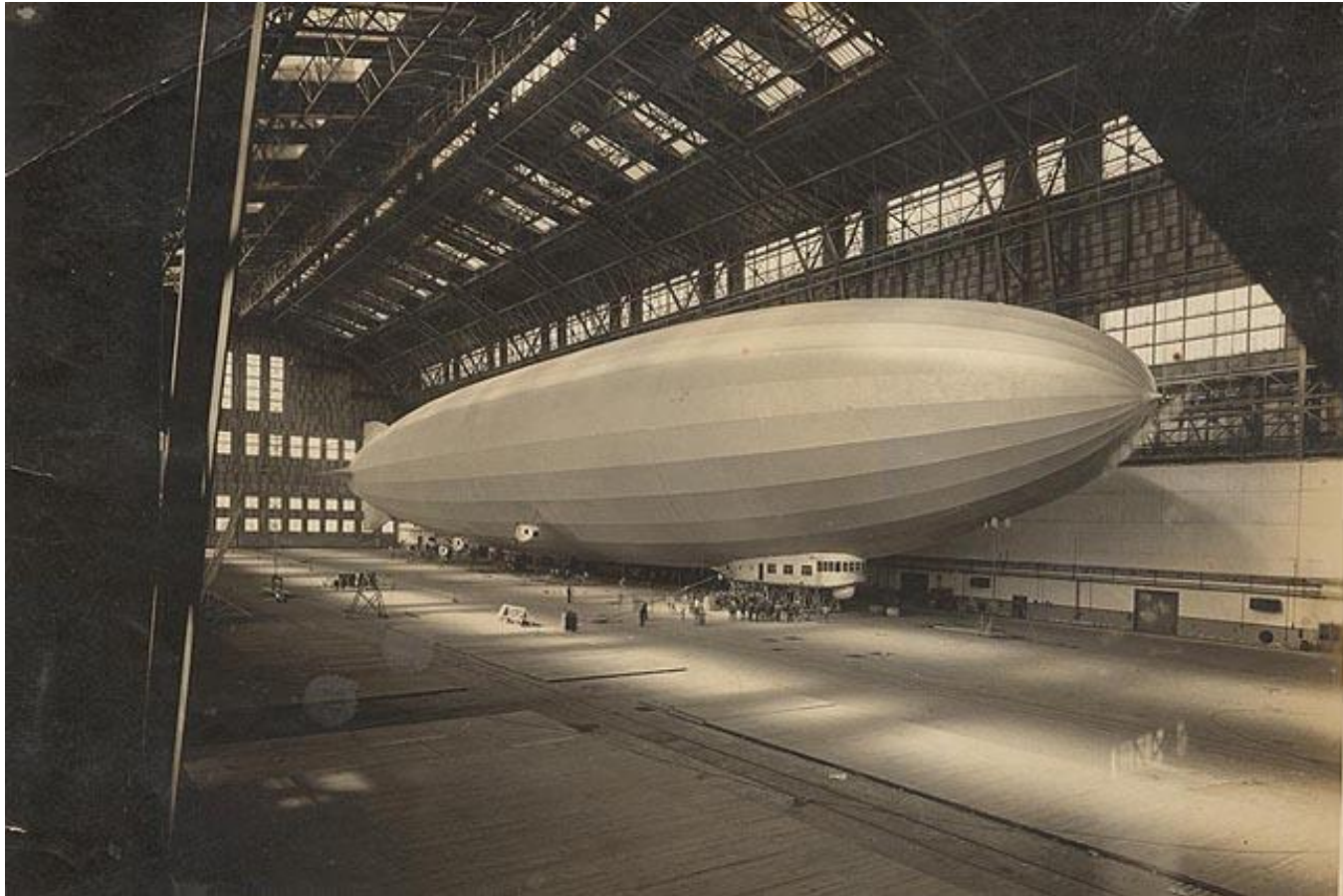
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1931 – The USS *Los Angeles* at the USS *Patoka* mooring mast.

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1931 – The USS *Los Angeles* inside Hangar No. 1 at NAS Lakehurst, New Jersey
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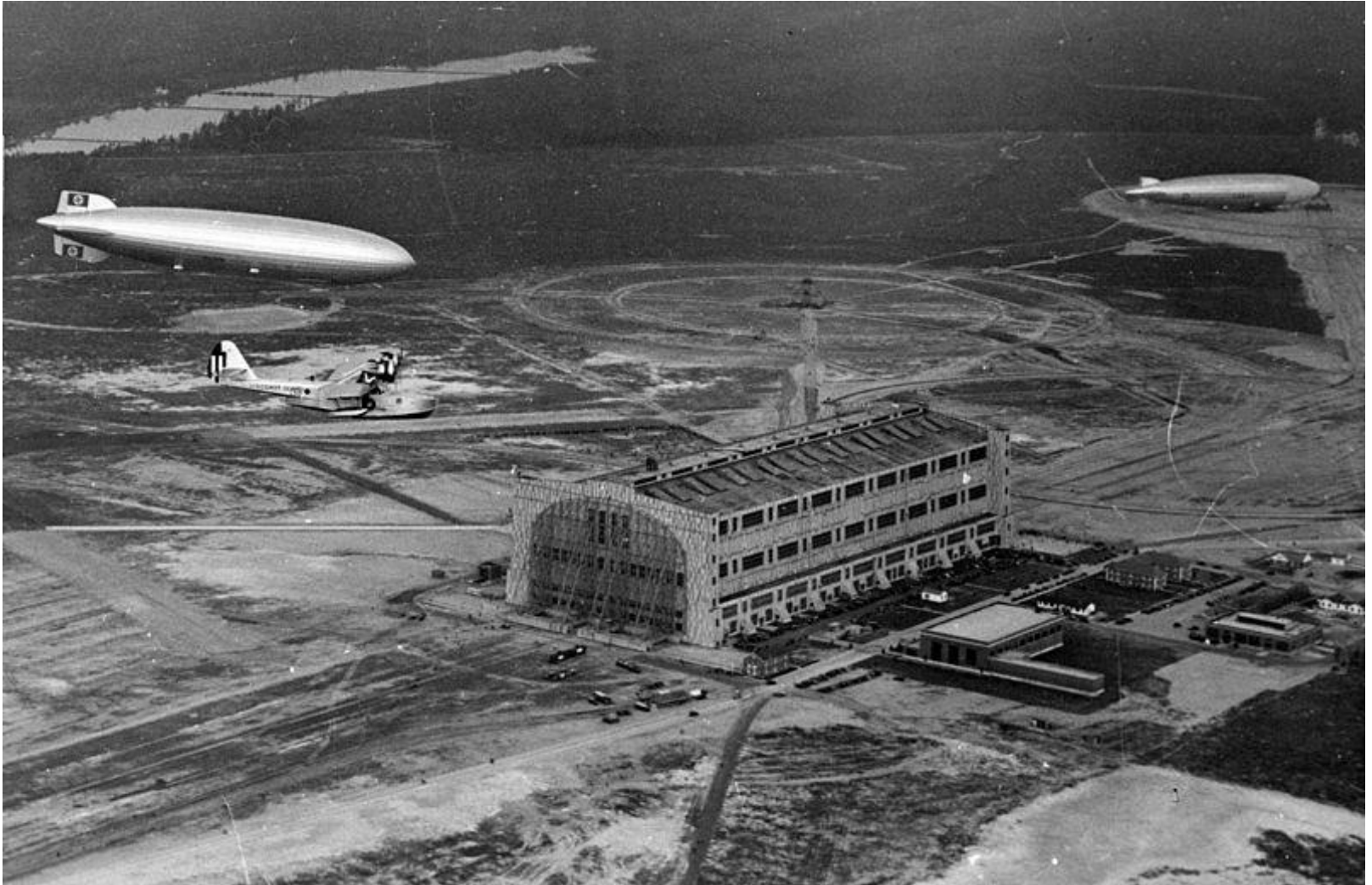
Photo # NH 44075 Lighter-than-air demonstration at NAS Lakehurst, N.J., circa 1930-1931



1931 – Navy Lighter-Than-Air Craft at Naval Air Station Lakehurst, New Jersey, during what appears to be a demonstration. Among the craft present are: a kite balloon (upper craft at left), five free balloons, USS *Los Angeles* (ZR-3) in the middle in the back, two J-class blimps (among them *J-4*) in the center, and blimp *ZMC-2* at right.

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May 9, 1936 – The *Hindenburg* arriving at Lakehurst on inaugural flight from Friedrichshafen, the USS *Los Angeles* in the background.

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