

Hand Written Notes.

Reproduced here are two hand-written notes passed to Earhart by Noonan during the South Atlantic crossing on June 7, 1937. The original of the first note is in the Purdue University Earhart Collection. The second note, also in the Purdue Collection, is from the draft of Earhart's posthumously published book *Last Flight* and is described by Earhart as "a facsimile." The "3:36 p.m." at the end of the note is clearly in a different hand.

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by Fred Noonan handed

Here is a facsimile of a note handed
me by Fred in the middle of the afternoon as we neared
Africa. It shows that we were north of our course,
and contains my pencil scrawl "What put us north".

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