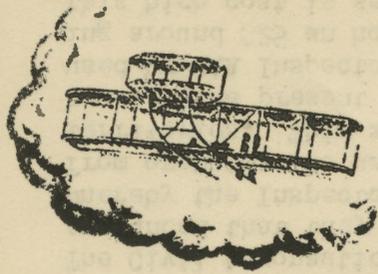
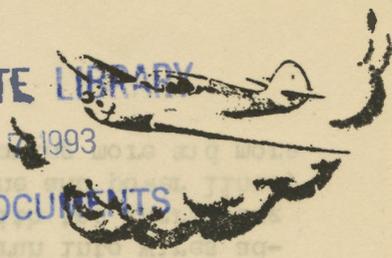


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DESIGNATED AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE INSPECTORS TO MEET

It has been announced that a meeting of all Designated Aircraft Maintenance Inspectors in North and South Carolina will be held at the Hotel Sir Walter in Raleigh, N. C., at 10 A. M. December 10, 1947.

In addition to the Designated Aircraft Maintenance Inspectors, State Aeronautics Officials from North and South Carolina and CAA representatives from Washington, Atlanta, Charlotte, Columbia, and Spartanburg have been invited to attend the meeting. CAA personnel expected at the meeting include Mr. E. W. Hodlow, Chief of Non-Schedule Aircraft Maintenance, Washington, D. C.; Region II Officials; and Inspectors from Charlotte, Spartanburg and Columbia.

William Grant of Camden, S. C., is President of the South Carolina DAMI and Joe N. Williamson is President of the North Carolina group.

GROUP WITHDRAWS AERO INSURANCE

Aero Insurance Underwriters, one of the larger groups underwriting aviation insurance, has announced that it will discontinue its activities in the aero field on December 31st of this year. Policies already issued, of course, will remain in force until the expiration date.

No other underwriters now in the aviation field are expected to withdraw but there has been considerable speculation that insurance rates will go up. It is claimed by practically all companies in the business that they are paying out more in claims than they are receiving in premiums.

NOTICE

The "News Letter" would like very much to have your comments and criticism. In addition to this, any news items that you would like included in the "News Letter" or any names of persons to whom you would like the "News Letter" sent, would be very gratefully received. Please forward any of the above to us without fail as your cooperation is both welcome and needed.

NAA AIRPORT AWARDS

The National Aeronautics Association has announced that the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission will assist in organizing this year's competition in South Carolina for NAA Certificates of Good Airport Operating Practice.

Mr. David Wolfe of the Aeronautics Commission, Mr. C. R. (Buck) Moss of Fairforest Airport, and Mr. Frank Law of the Standard Oil Company have been named as the committee to distribute the instructions and rating sheets to all of the airports in the State.

In notifying the airports about the NAA awards, Dexter Martin of the S. C. Aeronautics Commission urged that all airports within the State participate in the program stating that the rating has a definite value aside from the satisfaction of winning a certificate since two of the major insurance companies have announced that they issue airport liability insurance at reduced rates to airports who receive this honor.

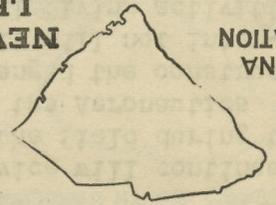
BAMBERG AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS STARTED

Work has been started on the improvement of the Bamberg Airport by the S.C. Aeronautics Commission. Dexter Martin, Director of the Commission, reported that the project will consist of the construction of a North-South landing strip 2500 feet long and 300 feet wide and an East-West landing strip 3700 feet long and 300 feet wide. This airport, formerly privately owned by the Bamberg Flying Service, has been purchased by the Town of Bamberg.

Bamberg Flying Service will continue to operate off of the field during the construction since the Aeronautics Commission has arranged the construction work so that it will not interfere with the normal flying activities on the airport.

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VA TO PAY FOR GI PHYSICALS

Walter Phipps, Secretary of the South Carolina Aviation Trades Association, states that the Veterans Administration has announced that supplementary contracts are forthcoming to pay for physical examinations when the GI student has passed the examination and enrolled in the flight school. Mr. Phipps called attention to the fact that the payment by the VA will only be made after the GI actually enrolls in his course.

For those interested, a list of doctors who are certified by CAA to give physicals for commercial airman's certificates are listed below:

Dr. John W. Bell, Greenwood
Dr. J. R. S. Siau, Georgetown
Dr. Phillip E. Assey, Georgetown
Dr. J. Howard Stokes, Florence
Dr. T. D. Abel, Columbia
Dr. Walter Bristow, Columbia
Dr. David S. Asbill, Columbia
Dr. J. L. King, Columbia
Dr. Joseph B. Workman, Columbia
Dr. D. O. Rhame, Clinton
Dr. Thomas R. Gaines, Anderson
Dr. William H. Price, Charleston
Dr. A. B. Whittaker, Camden
Dr. Lawson P. Barnes, Bennettsville
Dr. A. B. Preacher, Allendale
Dr. Michael Holmes, Kingstree
Dr. James R. Dunn, Sumter
Dr. Robert W. Lenard, Spartanburg
Dr. James O. Dunlap, Rock Hill
Dr. O. Z. Culler, Orangeburg
Dr. Arthur W. Welling, Newberry
Dr. William M. Carpenter, Laurens
Dr. James E. Lipscombe, Laurens

CAA MIGHT RENT PLANES

The Civil Aeronautics Administration has announced that they are considering a plan whereby the Inspectors may rent airplanes from operators to use in covering their territories. This move is being suggested because the present type planes now being used by CAA Inspectors are currently costing around \$25 an hour for operation and this high cost is seriously depleting appropriated travel funds. CAA believes that light planes may be rented on yearly contracts for around \$10 an hour.

AERONAUTICS COMMISSION ACTIVITIES

The Aeronautics Commission reports that during the last two weeks airmarkers have been installed or repainted in McBee, Jefferson, Chesterfield, Cheraw, Pageland, Mt. Croghan, Ruby, McColl, and Clio.

Airport construction or improvement is being carried on on the following privately-owned fields in the State: Davis Field, Abbeville; Ebner's Field, Meggetts; Skyport, North Augusta; and Gaither Field, Fort Mill. On all the above, the Commission is furnishing engineering service and such other assistance that it is legally empowered to give.

The Maintenance Department of the Commission has just completed the sealing of all the pavement cracks in the runways and apron on the Anderson Airport. With the completion of this rather large project, the Anderson Airport is reported to be in excellent shape.

PILOTS MEETING CALLED TO PROTEST FLYING HAZARDS

The South Carolina Breakfast Club and the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association have arranged a meeting, to which all pilots in the State are urged to attend, on December 7th at Owens Field, Columbia.

The purpose of the meeting will be to attempt to devise a method by which power and telephone lines that are a hazard to takeoffs and landing at various airports may be removed. There have been several accidents recently in which aircraft have run into wires adjacent to airports with the increasing expansion of telephone and power lines, the situation is becoming more and more serious.
