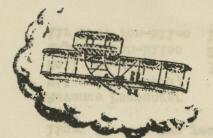
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GREENWOOD COUNTY OFTAINS FORMER CORONOCA ARMY AIR BASE

On April 26, the War Assets Administration deeded the former Coronoca Army Air Base to Greenwood County for use as a municipal airport for commercial flight operations.

The property consists of 1477 acres with three paved runways, each 5000 feet long and 150 feet wide, and a large paved apron. In addition there are several buildings on the property which may be used for aeronautical purposes.

The airport lies some four miles north of the city and amply large enough for the operation of any sized planes that are now flying in this section of the country.

CAP BILL PENDING IN CONGRESS

The Civil Air Patrol is due to be officially established as a permanent auxiliary of the United States Air Forces if Bill HR-529 now pending before Congress is enacted into law. Washington observers state that the chances for the bill passing are good as there is little opposition to the measure.

Heretofore, the Civil Air Patrol has existed as an auxiliary to the Air Forces only by executive order of the President. The passage of this bill will establish the relationship by law and will also clear the way for provision of more equipment and facilities for CAP and improved liaison with the USAF.

CONSTRUCTION OF TAXIWAY AND APRON STARTED AT CHESTER AIRPORT

The Aeronautics Commission announced last week that the construction of taxiway and apron on the Chester Airport had begun.

The taxiway will be approximately 1000 feet long when finished and the apron will be large enough to take care of all expected operations at the field.

On April 28th, the Designated Aircraft Maintenance Inspectors of North and South Carolina met in Charleston, South Carolina.

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MAINTENANCE INSPECTORS MEET

The principal action taken at the meeting was the adoption of a uniform cost sheet for the inspection and certification of airplanes. This cost sheet covers both the original certification and the annual recertification of all types of airplanes.

On original certifications, the prices adopted range from \$10.00 to \$45.00 according to the type of airplane certified. On several types of airplanes, no set price was established but it was agreed that an hourly rate should be charged.

For recertification, the prices range from \$5.00 to \$25.00 and in this list also, on several types of planes, it was agreed that the particular hourly rate that is prevelant in the locality should be charged rather than a set price.

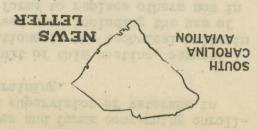
It was agreed that the adopted prices should include only average work necessary and that an increase in the approved rate should be made for any extra work.

OPERATORS MEET WITH VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

On March 30, 1948, the flight school operators of the Southeast met in Atlanta with officials of the Veterans Administration to discuss the application and enforcement of VA Technical Bulletin AT7-13 which deals with the procedures and forms concerning enrollment and supervision of veterans in flight training.

As a result of this meeting, several modifications in the technical bulletin were agreed upon including the use of two new forms to replace others now in use.

The Veterans Administration is distributing to all flight operators in the State a digest of the meeting with an explination of the new procedures.



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## GREENWOOD PETITIONS CIVIL -AERONAUTICS BOARD FOR AIRLINE SERVICE

Last week the City of Greenwood, the Greenwood County Airport Commission and the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission formally petitioned the Civil Aeronautics Board for airline service on Delta Airline's flight between Greenville and Augusta or on Delta Airline's flight between Columbia and Atlanta.

Officials of these organizations pointed out to the Board that the Greenville-Augusta flight passes directly over Greenwood, while making Greenwood an alternate stop by one of the flights between Columbis and Atlanta would add no mileage to this existing route.

The Civil Aeronautics Board is expected to hold a hearing on the matter during the next few months at which time the City and the Aeronautics Commission will present evidence that the service is warranted in the interest of public convenience and necessity.

The Aeronautics Commission announced at the same time that similar cases for other cities in the State were being prepared and would be submitted to the CAB as soon as they are in proper shape.

## AIR FREIGHT CARRIED BY SCHEDULED AIRLINES SHOWS LARGE INCREASE

According to figures just released by the Civil Aeronautics Board, air freight carried by the scheduled airlines showed a remarkable increase during the year 1947 over 1946. Passengers, mail and express showed little or no gain over the previous year.

For the year 1947, air freight increased over 140% above the year 1946. The figures below show the totals for all airlines for the two years.

Revenue Passenger
Miles (thousands) 5,950,803 6,027,925
Mail Ton-Miles 31,890,568 32,961,380
Express Ton-Miles 24,379,143 29,009,238
Air Frt. Ton-Miles 15,686,755 37,985,840

DEXTER MARTIN AND JOHN CAMPBELL
FLY: AMERICAN LEGION ROUND-UP

buting to all flight operators in the State a digest of the meeting with an

Last week, the annual American Legion aerial membership round-up was flown with Dexter Martin, Director of the Aeronautics Commission and John Campbell, Chairman of the Aviation Committee of the American Legion for the State, flying the planes.

On Wednesday the group visited Aiken, Greenwood, Anderson, Greenville, Spartanburg, Rock Hill, Lancaster and Columbia.

On Thursday, calls were made at Sumter, Florence, Dillon, Myrtle Beach, Moncks Corner, Beaufort and Walterboro.

Commander A. J. Plowden; Vice Commander H. F. Lange; W. K. Garrison, representing the 40 & 8, Adjutant J. J. Bullard and Assistant Adjutant Charles Read all made the entire trip.

Adjutant Bullard reported that the Round-up this year was one of the most successful ever held as more than 700 membership cards represent new members in the state were collected.

The annual aerial round-up is held by the Legion as a stimulus to the increasing of the Legion's membership and it is also considered one of the best promotional efforts to increase the interest of the public in aviation.

This week, the National Round-up will be held when the Legion Officials from all the states in the Union will fly to Indianapolis, Indiana, site of the Legions National Headquarters, to report on the membership in the entire United States.

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FLIGHTS IN COLUMBIA AND ANDERSON

During the past week, two new airline flights have been added in the State. At Anderson, Eastern Air Lines had added a new north-bound flight and a new south-bound flight. This will make two flights daily in each direction.

Delta Airlines has added two new flights between Columbia and Atlanta. One of these arrives in Columbia at 10:24 P.M. and the oth leaves for Atlanta at 8:10 A. M.

