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LARGE BREAKFAST TURNOUT AT COLUMBIA HARTSVILLE DUAL MEET NEXT



A large crowd, estimated at ninety, turned out for the Breakfast meeting at Columbia on May 18th. The facilities of the restaurant at Columbia Airport were enlarged to accommodate the group, part of whom are pictured at left, and a welcome was extended by Monk Shand, Manager of the airport.

The next meeting, Sunday, June 1, will be at Hartsville with breakfast being served at the Beacon Restaurant just across the road from the airport.

The S. C. Breakfast Club has received an invitation to fly to Garland Allen's field and join the Carolina Aero Club in a Barbecue - Picnic following the Breakfast meeting in Hartsville. For those who wish to make the flight, Allen's Airport is 95 miles north of Hartsville near Ramseur, N. C. It is shown on the Charlotte Sectional maps, and has a 4000 ft. sod runway,

The lake and picnic grounds are located at the airport site.

The Hartsville meeting will be run on schedule, ie; land at 9:20 A. M., breakfast at 10:20, and leave at 11:20. Please be prompt so that those wishing to make the North Carolina flight may get away on time.

FLIGHT SCHOOL SOLOS THREE GIRLS IN MONTH

Aircraft Sales and Service, Columbia, has soloed three of its feminine students within a one month period. Fred Venable and Frances Miller, instructors for the school, soloed students Evelyn Willson, owner of Aircraft Sales & Service, Mrs. F. L. Roluick of Raleigh and Columbia and Miss Jeanette Akins of Chattanooga now attending Columbia Bible College. (They are pictured in that order)

All plan to continue their flying, and with some airlines now hiring female co-pilots, men had better look to their laurels.



LOCAL GIRLS IN 99'S POWDER PUFF DERBY

Miss Sara Shonk who got her flying experience in Little Rock, Arkansas, and now resides in Charleston and Miss Frances Miller, flight instructor for Aircraft Sales and Service in Columbia will be among the favorites when the womens' Powder Puff Derby departs San Diego, California on July 4th.

Sponsored by Hawthorne Flying Service in Charleston, the girls will be flying a new Bonanza in the race which is scheduled to terminate in Charleston from the 5th through the 8th of July.

Pictured at left is Miss Frances Miller.



AIRMARKING PROGRAM UNDER WAY

On May 15th the S. C. Aeronautics Commission started its summer air marking program. The marking of communities so that pilots may easier locate themselves from the air is one of the vital services performed in the promotion of aviation by the Aeronautics Commission, but your help is needed if the program is to be effective. It is through the help of pilots and fixed base operators in the state that the Commission can learn of air markers which have been obliterated by roof repairs or made illegible by the ravages of weather. If you have knowledge of an unmarked town or community, write it on a postcard and mail it to S. C. McDonald, S.C. Aeronautics Commission, P.O. Box 1176, Columbia; your cooperation will be appreciated.

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PORTABLE RADIO FOULS VHF NAVIGATION

A portable radio being used by a passenger seated in the forward cabin of an airliner recently caused serious interference with the aircraft's VHF navigation system. This particular receiver was of a type outlawed by the regulations of the FCC. However, the incident shows that such illegal radios can and do exist. Radiation from battery operated radios conceivably could cause needle fluctuation or could desensitize the VHF navigation receiver during VOR reception.

Flight Safety Foundation.

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NATIONAL AVIATION WEEK - JUNE 22 - 29

This Commission has been asked by CAA to take the lead in South Carolina in arranging a state wide program for Aviation Week, June 22-29. The 20th anniversary of the Civil Aeronautics Act of 1938 will be celebrated on June 23rd. The program, called the 20/20 celebration will review the past 20 years and look ahead to the next 20.

The CAA will be holding open house in its various facilities, and we would like to suggest that any fixed base operators who desire to capitalize on the publicity attending the celebration, can also hold open house and invite the public to inspect their operations.

Contact local radio and news facilities for additional publicity.

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DOES THE SWITCH SHUT YOUR ENGINE OFF?

With the common practice of shutting the engine off by pulling the mixture control, it would be possible for the switch to keep the engine hot all the time without the pilot knowing it. While the switch is checked at least every hundred hours, we would like to suggest that pilots check their switch occasionally during run-up by turning it to the off position while the engine is at idle. (Any power more than idle could cause severe backfire).

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SEATA CONVENTION - JUNE 24-25-26

The Southeast Aviation Trades Association will hold its annual convention at the General Oglethorpe Hotel in Savannah, Georgia on June 24 through June 26. Fine recreation facilities are available at the hotel including swimming, fishing, golf, bridge, dancing, boating and what's yours. The business session on Wednesday morning, June 25th, will be for the trade; others are invited to attend for the social events.

Literature concerning the convention will soon reach members in the states composing the Southeast region and will outline the full program.

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