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FIRST MOONEY IN SOUTH CAROLINA

Ben Johnson, Operator of Carolina Aero Service, Inc., Anderson, S. C. has just recently returned from the Mooney Aircraft Factory, Wichita, Kansas with one of the new ships. According to Ben, this is the first Mooney to be sold or delivered in the State. The following information is "as told by Ben": He flew 1000 miles for \$ 10.52 for gas and oil. Cruises at 120 MPH, using 4 gal. per hr. The ship weighs 545 lbs. Another interesting fact revealed by Ben is that if you have a 65 Continental Engine and sent it to the aircraft factory, they will deduct the cost of the engine from the total cost of the plane. So anybody that has a engine that wants a new plane, just send the engine out and they will put it in the plane. The cost of ship with engine is a little over \$ 2000.00. We are not commercializing, but Ben says that he is the dealer for South Carolina. For further information you can contact him at the above address.

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DAVE WOLFE BACK

Dave Wolfe, who has been out due to illness for the past few weeks is back at work with the Commission. Dave has been missed by everyone, especially the Commission. It's good to see your smiling face again, Dave.

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BREAKFAST CLUB MEETS IN ORANGEBURG

The City of Orangeburg and C.A.P. were host to the Breakfast Club Sunday, September 24th. Approximately eighty persons were there for breakfast. "Doc" Bill Price presided in his usual manner. The Breakfast Club is indebted to C. O. "Neely" Thompson of Charleston for being there. Had he not been there, "Doc" would probably still be talking to this date. I don't know where "Doc" gets all that endurance from, but the secret may be that he is still taking that "Hadacol" presented to him in Greenwood a few Sundays ago. If this be true, it is suggested that his prescription be changed. How about it, "Doc"?

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COLUMBIA AERO CLUB HAS OUTING

This news is a little late, but we didn't get the information until after the September 15th NEWSLETTER had been printed.

Charleston and The Isle of Palms were visited by members of the Columbia Aero Club and their wives Sunday September 13th. The group landed at Carolina Airways, and motored over to The Isle of Palms where they were entertained at the Raymond Doughty's Cottage. After an early morning swim in the surf, shore dinners were enjoyed and the group returned to their planes and flew back to Columbia.

Among those making the trip were: Robert F. Pulliam, President of the Columbia Aero Club; John Hensel, Bernard A. Layton, Jack Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. W. Frank Threatt, Mr. and Mrs. Berley Kittrell, Mr. Gus Raney, and Mr. and Mrs. Perry Smith and their two young sons.

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MYRTLE BEACH OUTING CANCELLED

The Myrtle Beach Outing scheduled for the 20th of September had to be cancelled again for reasons beyond the control of anyone. Tony Anthony, Manager of the Myrtle Beach Airport, was called to his home in Ohio because of his Mother's serious illness. We want to thank Tony for this effort made on September 6th and hope that this event may be scheduled at a later date.

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PILOTS' DREAM COMES TRUE

I was reading a story in FLYING MAGAZINE the other day about a fellow who was flying over Penn. and the engine quit. He picked out a little knoll and landed his plane. To his amazement, he was surrounded in a few minutes by several persons of mixed sex, minus their clothes. He had landed in a nudist camp. The only pants to be seen were the wheel pants on his plane. One of the nudist was an airline captain and upon examination of the engine, he found that the carburetor had iced up. I imagine the surroundings of the plane, the nudist that is, melted the ice. Any of you fellows flying up Penn. way might check on the latest FLYING MAGAZINE and get the exact location of this camp. Incidentally, since this occasion, they have built a strip to land on in the camp. Don't get lost; but if you do, this would be a nice place to have a forced landing.

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OCTOBER 8TH BREAKFAST CLUB SCHEDULE

The City of Chester is to be host to the Breakfast Club on Sunday, October 8th. They have a big airport and plenty of room for everyone. In fact, it is going to be so big that maybe a certain person will be able to find it without going to Rock Hill. They are considering having a plane just keep circling the airport so this fellow can find it. If anybody gets the idea that we are talking about a certain fellow with a cub coupe painted black and orange from Charleston who missed this airport the last time of the Breakfast Club, we are. We hope to see everyone turn out for this fine occasion. Sam Savage, Carl Hill, Bill Betts, and, we hope, Senator Wilbur Grant and others will be on hand to welcome you.

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AIR ACTIVITY IN SOUTH CAROLINA

There has been a considerable increase of Military Air Activity around the State. All pilots should use caution when flying. Keep your eyes open. Remember the ol' saying "Look around and live."

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HUMOR

MORE ABOUT SADIE

The Dizzy Six (DC-6) was mowing down the miles, when a passenger asked Sadie, the Stewardess, "Is the Captain able?"

"He sure is," replied Sadie, "and according to my experience, he is liable".

(Borrowed from FLORIDA AVIATION BULLETIN)

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EPITAPH

He'd approach in a bank, oh, any amount--
But he overdrew his banking account.

FLYING

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We will be glad to publish any aviation news that the readers send in. If you have a good thought to pass on to others or some news, just send it to the Commission and we will see that it gets in the NEWSLETTER.

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