

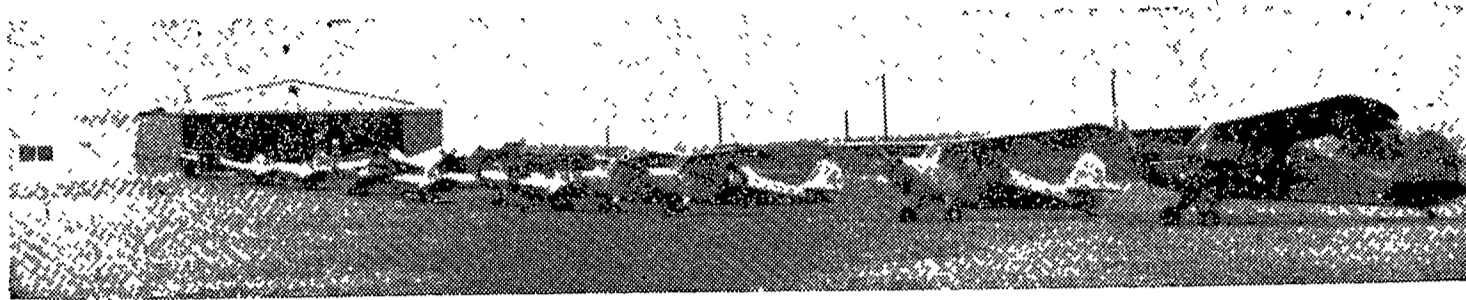
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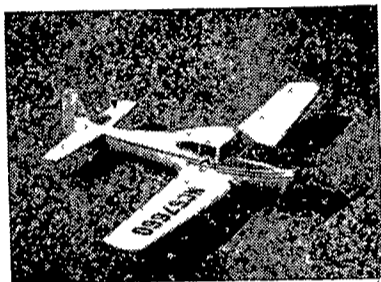
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## TO TAKE PART IN SOUTH DAKOTA AIR TOUR



### Former Regent Man Is Model Plane Builder

In California, but more especially Burbank, they go in for model plane building in a big way. Recently, the Burbank Daily News, in a special edition devoted



considerable space to a crash of a gas engine Navion model airplane built by Ernie W. Tollefson of Burbank, formerly of Regent. The plane, a beautiful model, and an exact replica of the life-sized Navion built to scale, crashed on its third flight, breaking loose the engine cowl, bulkheads and Stringers, according to the Burbank Daily News.

It is expected to be sometime before the model pictured above, will fly again. Witnesses to the crash were Ernie's wife, and son, Duane, and friends.

### Airport Dedicated to Dunn Center Youth

Dunn Center, North Dakota opened its new airport recently Thompson Field is being dedicated in memory of Maurice Thompson who was the first local boy to give his life for his country in World War II

Thomas Saunders, manager, former Air Transport Command Veteran, and manager of Kalldeer airport has began flight instruction on the GI flight training program. The program is well underway

The airport is located conveniently close to Lake Ito. Visiting pilots and flying anglers are welcome

### Bureau Consultant Visits Airports

Mr Schmid representing, the Aeronautical Insurance Inspection Bureau, St. Louis, Mo., recently visited many North Dakota airports.

The Aeronautical Insurance Bureau originated only 10 months ago, and already is serving over 137 insurance companies. Their valuable aviation statistics are compiled and submitted to insurance companies. Investigations cover the entire United States.

The chief aim is to conduct a survey of accidents. A method of safe flying habits is being worked out by the bureau.

Representatives cover the entire United States. Their men are not only pilots but flight examiners as well and hold nearly every license in aviation. Many have had years of flying experience.

Mr. Schmid, a pioneer of over 30 years, was flying a Cessna 120. He is also a licensed flight examiner for all pilot ratings. He said, "In the entire United States, never had he seen flying put to such practical uses as in North Dakota."

### State Dept. To Buy Airplane

Roy Bach, Federal Co-ordinator for the State Game and Fish department, has been visiting airports in North Dakota, accepting bids on new and used airplanes.

Russel Stewart, also with the department and a pilot, and Mr Bach have been touring the state in a Cub Cruiser owned by Tommy Bowen of Bismarck. The department after July 1st will buy a plane.

An airplane has become a necessity in conducting a survey of wildlife in North Dakota. It has been used successfully for the past few years in counting wild game.

Bach says they must have a plane with safe flying characteristics at low altitude. They do



Pilots from Lemmon Aircraft to take part in the mass flight over more than 25 South Dakota cities and towns are left to right Hugo Ploog, Tommy Spencer, John Boheman, John Klinjan,

Lawrence Butler, Toad Oleson, Jim Tibball, front row Orville Butler, Stanley Hill, and Jasper Klinjan. Lemmon, South Dakota. The entire tour will land at Lemmon airport at noon Sunday.

not necessarily have to have fast cruising speed. However, he said, the department would like a plane with a good cruising speed as well as a safe, slow cruising. Good visibility is a must, he said. The plane must be roomy, and preferably tandem seating for visibility on both sides.

Bach has made preparations for several new experiments for various altitudes. This will be conducted after the department collecting pollen and bugs at has selected its airplane

### Applications Sent To Washington

The Director of Airman Service, Washington, D C, has advised that persons receiving Form ACA-1711, Application for Renewal of Airman Certificate, should fill out, attach a three cent stamp, and mail it back to Washington.

This should be done even though the certificate holder has in his possession a new type certificate, because replies to these cards are being used as a basis for the issuance by International Business Machines of a new single page certificate. It is not mandatory for the holder of a new type certificate to accomplish such form. However, by accomplishing it, he will receive a single page certificate, much more convenient to carry and display.

When holder of an old type certificate fills out and mails in subject form, it is not necessary that he "swap" his old certificate for the new type is used by the inspector, as such persons will be mailed the new single page certificate first.

### Student Certificates Expire July 1947

Student Pilot Certificates issued prior to July 1, 1945 will expire in July, 1947. All Student Pilot Certificates issued after July 1, 1945, will expire twenty-four months from date of issuance, it was announced in a letter from Donald L. Thompson, Sr. Aeronautical Inspector. It would be appreciated if holders of Student Pilot Certificates would check the date of issuance and apply for renewal when their expiration date approaches, in order that they may not be held in violation of Civil Air Regulations

Hettinger Has Fine Air Show

Hettinger, N D -- A successful air show, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce during the city's 40th anniversary entertained thousands of spectators with many featured aerial events

Jack Hotaling, Miles City's famous aerial stunt pilot, flying a Ryan PT-22, performed the afternoon aerobatics

Rhiley and Reif, parachute troupe of Tulsa, Oklahoma, made two jumps. Joe Rhiley, the parachute jumper and Bill Reif, the pilot, thrilled the crowd as Joe made two successful jumps

Both boys are attending Spartan School of Aeronautics at Tulsa. They will get their A & E licenses soon. This barnstorming idea of a traveling parachute troupe is to make extra money during their school term

The Hettinger air show was their first trip to North Dakota. Joe, Rhiley is a graduate from pre-flight in 1943 from the University. Bill Reif met one of his former classmates at the air meet in the person of Bill Perry of Mott. Bill Perry was flying Mott Airway's Navion carrying passengers when he recognized his former classmate

Three B-29's from Rapid City Army Air Base flew formation passes and simulated bombing attacks over the airport. Other events featured Kellogg and Wokal flying two Cruisers in a Pants race. Winners of the bombing contest were Clyde Ice, Spearfish, S D; and Bill Reif and Perry flying a Stearman

Naval Reserve Stages Air Show During Jubilee

A flight of 22 Naval planes from NAS' World Chamberlain took part in the air show during the Bismarck Diamond Jubilee, June 21

Lt Comdr Mackin, Reserve Officer, Bismarck N D made the arrangements with Commanding officer, W B Whaley. The show was sponsored by the Bismarck association of commerce

Naval reserve pilots were on 2 week active duty. They were to participate in several air shows. In charge were, Lt Comdr Claude Schmidt, USNR, ground coordinator, Lt Palm, Air Coordinator, vol Reserve, and Lt (JG) Gnsberg, organized reserve

Lt Hollingsworth, (flight leader) led the flight of 22 planes from Minneapolis to Bismarck. Thousands of spectators watched the Navy fighters take off and make various formation passes over Bismarck and airport. The entire group took part in a simulated bombing and strafing attack

An aerial aerobatic flight was scheduled. Former fighter pilot, Lt Comdr. Kieling, was to take this part in the show. However, he was unable to attend

Flight Leader, Lt Hollingsworth, flying a F6F, led Lt (JG) R F Albrecht, Ens L A Lundeen, Ens R O Waldron, Lt R E Reinecke, and Lt (JG) R Pearson also flying F6F's. In the FG's were Lt (JG) J E Olson, Ens G W Swoboda, Lt (JG) G F Pasternak, 1st Lt Hanson, 1st Lt Guitais, and 1st Lt West. Pilots flying SWB's were J M Belter, R W Croné, R M Akenson, W F Leven. The TBM's pilots were, Ens S Kramer, flying the PV2, was Lt Comdr. Carleen Lt (JG) W J Solberg flew the PBV-5a. The latter was one of the Navy's most famous sea rescue planes

Other members of the ground force were C Wilson (in charge), R G Stokes, A N Larson, G A Mynark, J S Hrochaw, J J Sorenson, W T Majestic, E S Johnson, S H Johnson, and D K Hangan.



Dakota Flyer Mott, N D Dear Editor

I have read several issues of your swell little paper, and am enclosing \$2.00 for a year's subscription. It is of interest to all of us what the other pilots are doing, things we wouldn't know if it weren't for aviation publications like the 'Dakota Flyer'

We have started a GI School. We call our organization Skyways, Inc. Robert Baker is president, Melvin Nelson, Vice President, Archie Spahant, secretary, and myself as runner up and general all around helper!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Erling Nasset,

director of aeronautics, and Al fellows they have been in help. Smith, mgr, South Flying Service in Jamestown, for the swelling Skyways Inc, get a good start in this GI Training program. They have certainly been a great help in our getting underway.

Wishing you and your paper lots of success

I am, Very truly yours, Lorents Lama Skyways, Inc

Editor's Note: North Dakota has pilots in every walk of life, but to our knowledge, Lorents Lama is the only Flying Blacksmith. Lets hunt another one if there is!

Dakota Skyways To Conduct Auction

Hector Field, Fargo -- Dakota Skyways is sponsoring, for the first time in North Dakota aviation, an airplane auction sale. The sale is scheduled to be held June 28.

It is estimated that \$75,000 worth of planes will be for sale. The planes will include, Cubs, Stinsons, Navions, Aerona's, Cessnas, Sea-Bees and Ercoupe's. Neil Matw, Auctioneer, and Art Myhr as clerk, will begin the sale at 1:30 P.M. If sale is successful, others will be sponsored.

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Al Torrance, Bismarck and Duane Larson, Mott, making up an aerial stunt team thrilled thousands of spectators with their precision aerobatic flying at the Bismarck Jubilee air show, June 21

Torrance and Larson have appeared in many North Dakota Air Shows and have gained recognition as an Aerial Aerobatic team.

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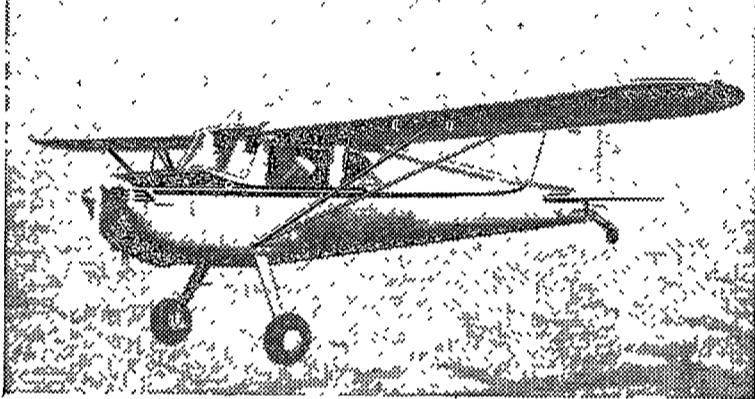
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**Registered Aircraft In North and South Dakota**

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Adams	4
Barnes	10
Benson	8
Bottineau	7
Bowman	14
Burke	3
Burlleigh	19
Cass	66
Cavalier	15
Dickey	6
Divide	8
Dunn	6
Eddy	4
Emmons	2
Foster	5
Golden Valley	8
Grand Forks	39
Griggs	4
Hettinger	15
La Moure	10
Logan	1
McHenry	8
McIntosh	4
McKenzie	10
McLean	15
Mercer	5
Morton	5
Mountrail	20
Nelson	8
Pembina	19
Pierce	13
Ramsey	26
Ransom	3
Renville	10
Richland	11
Rolette	7
Sioux	4
Slope	1
Stark	23
Stutsman	23
Towner	9
Trail	2
Walsh	10

Wells	10
Williams	49
Total	579

**South Dakota:**

Aurora	2
Beadle	124
Bennett	11
Bonhomme	1
Brookings	11
Brown	12
Brule	10
Butte	13

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**Christening Ceremonies Dedicate 47' Aircraft**

Canton, Ohio—The man who made Taylorcraft and the distributor who took delivery of the first Taylorcraft, a Model A-40 hp in 1937, re-enacted their roles of a decade ago, when C. G. Taylor, president of the newly organized company delivered the first new plane to L. W. (Roy) Hubert, at Alliance, Ohio.

Mrs. Hubert cut the prop ribbon as Mr. Taylor christened the sleek new plane, and partially completed planes began moving forward on the production line.

Mrs. Hubert has flown with her husband for more than 2000 flying hours on ferry trips to the West Coast. When Mr. Hubert was asked, "Do women have much influence on the selection of an airplane," his reply was "They certainly do! I find that women are really pioneers in developing uses for the airplane. Unlike men, they don't care to do much about flying for the sake of flying. They like to fly to some special point of interest, like nacking by plane, or some mountain resort. This has advanced the popularity of an airplane more than anything."

**BENZ BROTHERS LAND FLYING FORTRESS AT THE HAZEN AIRPORT**



LYLE BENZ

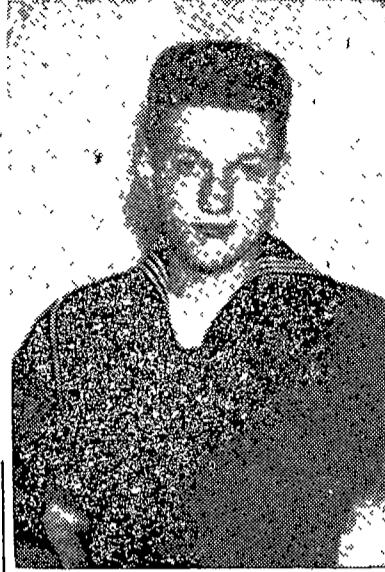
By Freddy Froesehle Editor "Hazen Star"

A huge crowd saw a remarkable demonstration of skill and courage June 10, when 97-pound Lyle Benz and his brother, Johnny, landed a 25-ton Flying Fortress at the Hazen airport as part of the Old Settlers' Picnic air show.

The landing was completely successful, although hundreds of people had come prepared to see a crash, as rumors circulated that the airports' runways could not accommodate a plane of that size.

The giant four-engine bomber has been purchased by the Hazen Community club for the high school, and will be on display at the airport for educational purposes hereafter.

Lyle and John Benz had brought the plane to Pierre, S. D., two weeks before from Oklahoma and Wednesday noon took off at Pierre to bring it to Hazen.



JOHNNY BENZ

Even veteran pilots on the ground were shaky when the bomber's first pass at the 3600-foot landing strip proved too high and fast, so that pilot Benz had to take it up again for another try.

The second landing attempt was successful. The plane settled after covering about one-third of the runway, then went on past the end of the runway thru part of an oats field. There it bogged down in the soft dirt when Benz turned it around to taxi back to the hangar area. After two tractors failed to budge the plane, the wheels were dug out and it was taxied up under its own power.

When Lyle Benz was brought to the microphone after bringing in the plane, the crowd gave him a big ovation. His first comment was an apology for what he called a poor landing, but the crowd and other pilots who watched, agreed with the old axiom of flying: "It's a good landing if you can walk away."

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Proposed Itinerary for the Month of July 1947

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Donald L. Thompson	NC-174
Wm. M. Gronenthal	C-502

Date:

- Aircraft Inspections, Written Exams
  - 8 Tuesday, Worth Field, Dickinson, N. D. Flight Tests, Tests, Aircraft Inspections, Written Exams.
  - 11 Thursday Municipal Airport, Bismarck, N. D. Flight Tests, Aircraft Inspections, Written Exams.
  - 16 Wednesday Municipal Airport, Crookston, Minn. Aircraft Inspections, Written Examinations
  - 30 Wednesday Bell Airport, Devils Lake, N. D. Flight Tests, Aircraft Inspections, Written Exams
  - 31 Thursday Municipal Airport, Jamestown, N. D. Flight Tests, Aircraft Inspections, Written Examinations
- Flight Tests at Fargo, North Dakota, by appointment only. Written examinations every day in the Fargo Office except Saturday and Sunday and from July 14 through July 24, 1947.

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## Cruising Around Our Airports

**NEW ENGLAND AIRPORT** — Ronald Fritz, Pittsburgh, Penn., is the new mechanic and instructor at the Koppinger Air Service, New England, North Dakota.

**DICKINSON MUNICIPAL** - Mike Boladoljak, farmer, Dickinson, N. D., is constructing a private hangar at the Dickinson Municipal airport. Mike, a student pilot, owns two army surplus twin engine Cessnas.

**BELL AIRPORT** — Devils Lake, N. D. — Students to receive their private pilots license under the G I training are Warren Shear, Charles Gibson, and Dick Humphreys, Devils Lake. Pilots getting their instructors ratings were Milton Ladue, Devils Lake, former WDLR radio operator, Earl Sjobeck, Amery, Wisconsin, part owner in the Indian Head Flying Service, Amery, Wisconsin.

Dan Wakefield, airport manager, Lake Region Flying, flew Mrs. Weaver, Devils Lake, to Rochester, Minnesota. A Stinson 150 was used with a converted air cushion seat from a Sea-Bee.

A group of pilots from the airport attended the Wadena air show, Wadena, Minnesota, June 22. Pilots were served breakfast and transportation to go fishing.

Taking part in the air show were "The Flying Aces", a Boeing 12, Seversky P-35, "Crazy Cub" act, a flight of P-51's and parachute jumps from 10,000 feet.

Spectators and pilots enjoyed the day.

**HECTOR FIELD** - Fargo, North Dakota — Members of CAP, Fargo-Moorhead Squadron, flew to Sisseton, S. D. Air Show June 8 with the usual air show activities, members saw for the first time a Rose Parakeet, and clipped wing Moncoupe.

Two L-4's (Piper Cubs) have been delivered to the wing. They will be used for training.

June 3, Wing Commander Col. Myhra spoke to the group about the Wing Commander's meeting in Washington. He predicted a brilliant future for the Civil Air Patrol under the new command of National Commander Gen. Smith.

**OTIS LODGE-AIRPORT** - Otis Lodge, Minn. — More than 250 planes, both land and sea, participated in the annual Otis Lodge Breakfast Flight May 25. There were ten members of the

Fargo — Moorhead Squadron present. Several planes from Lake Region Flying Service attended the breakfast. Dr. Sihlee, Devils Lake, was the honored guest as being the oldest pilot present.

**MICHIGAN AIRPORT** - Venroy Draper, airport manager, announced the date of Michigan's air show on July 20. The celebration is three days, July 18-19 and 20. A Pilot Breakfast will be served for all visiting pilots.

There will be contests, racing, and passenger hopping. The Air Show will be conducted by local pilots. There will be a dance Friday night. Tiedowns will be free. CHOW served at 10:00 a.m. Sunday!

The second class of G I students have begun their solo flying. They are making preparations to approve their school for commercial and instructors flight training, late this summer.

**CANDO AIRPORT** - Graduating from Northern Aviation G. I Flight Training with their Private Pilots licenses are Miss Dela Burkhardt, former WAVE, believed to be the first woman G I private pilot in that area, Pete Dahl, Joe Krick, James Lyons, Ted Baker, Bjorn Bjornstad, (Irish?) from Cando, Val Dashle, Charles Schaffer, and Kenneth Nelson, Bisbee. Kenneth Nelson is completing his commercial and instructors training at Lake Region, Bell Airport, Devils Lake. He intends to open an airport for local fliers at Bisbee after graduating. GOOD LUCK! We need these small town airports!

**BISMARCK MUNICIPAL** - Bill Marks, Bismarck, is piloting the plane for Frank Elmsen, with the Fish and Wildlife Service. They are hunting coyote dens, shooting the large ones and locating the dens for a

ground crew from the department to dig out the young.

**MINOT MUNICIPAL** — Winners of the various prizes during Minot's Second Annual Breakfast Flight, May 18, were Mrs. Ernest Nelson, Mohall, first women pilot, Bruce Wright, Wallston, Oldest pilot, with the most flying hours, more than 11,000, Adrean Hamman, Al Myer, Williston, first to arrive, Jim Eccles, Wolf Point, Montana, longest distance. There were prizes given to pilots winning the contests such as spot landing etc.

The event was a success in spite of wind. Over a hundred planes participated.

### Plane Owners Sending Too Much Money

Washington, D. C. — "Please quit sending us \$5.00! We only want \$4.00!" This message is being sent to more than 2,000 airplane owners each month. It results from the reduction in recording fees which the CAA put into effect May 1 of this year. Recording the ownership papers and aircraft liens now costs only \$4.00. The change was made by T. P. Wright, after a study of actual costs during the first year of the fee system.

The Civil Aeronautics Administration in Washington received between \$27,000, and \$30,000 each month in these fees.

The CAA plan to reduce these charges still more if they find the cost for providing the service can be lowered.

### Inter-Com Set Up At Bell Airport

Secretary Mrs. Strohecker, at Bell airport, Devils Lake, is finding it much more convenient to locate a member of the staff. Recently an inter-communications set was installed in the airport office. The speaker is set up for two-way control

in the shop and gas pump.

Mechanics can be contacted immediately as to repairs. The serviceman can call in "15 gals gas for Stinson", and Mrs. Strohecker will have slips made out immediately.

With a loud speaker attached on the ramp, music will entertain Sunday visitors, announce coming events, student instruction, airplane sales, and passenger rides.

### Flies To New York In New Bellanca

Devils Lake, N. D. — Dr. and Mrs. Toomey returned recently after spending several weeks in New York city and Atlantic City, New York. Glenn Toomey, president of the Lake Region Flying Service, flew his new Bellanca, which he recently received delivery on. His wife, Kathleen, also a private pilot, is the daughter of Dr. Sihlee, a well known pioneer Dakota aviator.

The Toomeys made the trip a combined business and pleasure flight.

### Queen Candidates For Air Tour

Civic Clubs and aviation schools are selecting their queen candidate for the State-wide Air Tour June 28 and 29. The Queen will be chosen at a ceremony in Jamestown, North Dakota, Saturday evening.

Entries are: Miss Irene Benz, Dunn Center, MISS THOMPSON FIELD, chosen by the Dunn Center Civic Club, Mona Opperud, Alamo, MISS STOCKMAN FLYING SERVICE; Joyce Walters, MISS PEMBINA; Elaine Pat McNeil, MISS MENEWAUKEN; Darlene Leverson, Elgin, MISS DAKOTA FLYER.

Other entries are expected before the later part of the week. Complete pictures of all contestants will be published in the next issue of the Dakota Flyer.

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**Flying Farmers Divide State Into Four Districts**

The number of directors of this Association shall be two directors from each of the four districts of the state, with staggered terms of office for one and two years of service and a director at large for a term of one year of service.

District one shall be comprised of the counties of Bottineau, Burke, Divide, McHenry, McKenzie, McLean, Mountrail, Pierce, Renville, Rolette, Sheridan, Ward, and Williams.

District two shall be comprised of the counties of Benson, Cavalier, Eddy, Foster, Grand Forks, Griggs, Nelson, Pembina, Ramsey, Steele, Towner, Traill, Walsh, and Wells

District three shall be comprised of the counties of Adams, Billings, Bowman, Dunn, Golden Valley, Grant, Hettinger, Mercer, Morton, Oliver, Sioux, Slope, & Stark.

District four shall be comprised of the counties of Barnes, Burleigh, Cass, Dickey, Emmons, Kidder, LaMoure, Logan, McIntosh, Ransom, Richland, Sargent, and Stutsman

At the annual meeting each of the four districts of the state shall individually elect a board member for a period of two years and the board member at large shall be elected by all members present by the majority vote.

To provide for placing this policy in affect the first year, the board member elected by his respective district who received the highest number of votes cast, shall serve for a period of two years, and the one receiving the next highest number for a period of one year

Following the election of the board members at the time of the annual meeting, the board shall then organize and elect a president, a vice-president, a secretary and treasurer from the board members elected, who shall serve for a period of one year

An annual directors' meeting shall be held prior to the annual meeting of members of the Association, and special meetings of directors may be called at any time by the executive committee. A majority of directors present at any directors' meeting shall constitute a quorum.

**Duemeland Heads Flying Farmers**

Lorn Duemeland, Bismarck, was elected president of the N. D. Flying Farmers and Ranchers Association at meeting of the organization recently. He succeeds Leland Brand, Taylor

Other officers elected were Howard Henry, Westhope, vice president, and Martin Altenburg, Bismarck, secretary-treasurer, who was re-elected

Directors named for two-year terms were Brand, Henry Floyd Plath, Kindred, and Thorval Staven, Hatton One-year directors were Henry Wall, Williston, Roy Grayson, Hettinger; and Otto Klindworth, Fessenden Altenberg was named director-at-large

**Pastor To Begin Mission Flights**

Lemmon, S. D. -- Pilots and other interested persons are invited to attend the foundation day program of the Lemmon circuit air parish at Lemmon on July 20. The event is sponsored by the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Rev. Norman Hegland, private pilot, will be installed by Dr. L. A. Pierson of Sioux Falls; and by Dr. R. S. Dybvig of Minneapolis at a service in the Lemmon high school auditorium. In the afternoon, the airplane will be dedicated on the Lemmon airport field

Lemmon Aircraft and the American Lutheran Church extend a cordial invitation to all pilots and others interested in missionary aviation to attend this aviation function.

**CRAM AWARDS PRIZES DONATED BY BISMARCK MEN**

George Cram, Bismarck Municipal Airport, very well known to all pilots has cordially welcomed and serviced pilots arriving at Bismarck from all over the United States for the past 7 years. George through his own initiative selected awarded prizes June 20 at the Flying Farmers and Ranchers Banquet

Prizes were donated by the A. W. Luccus Co, The Mens Store, The Pub, Service Drug, Rosens, Capital Aviation Corp, Broadway Drug, The Paper Dollar, Bismarck Aviation Center, Andersons Hardware, C. W. Hendricks Co, J. N. Ray Co and Corwin-Churchill Motors.

**Leaves Shop After Long Service**

Jim McCaffery, mechanic at Lake Region Flying Service, Devils Lake, North Dakota will leave shortly for Eugene, Oregon. Jim McCaffery is one of the oldest employees at the field

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The entire airport staff and a host of friends join in wishing Jim continued success

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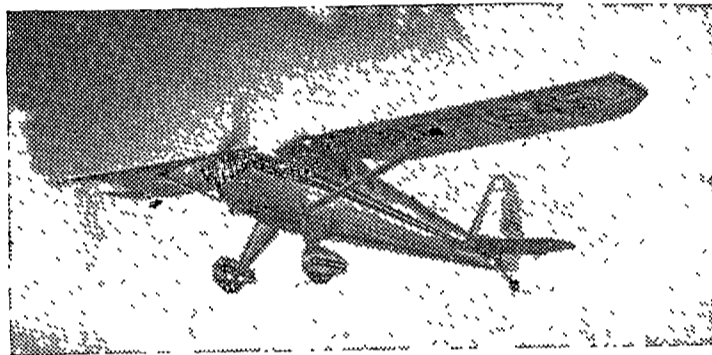
Five North Dakota airports were rated above average by a survey conducted by AOPA recently. They are Hector Field, Fargo, Municipal airport, Grand Forks, Pembina airport, Pembina, Buddy Ranch airport, Medora; and Wright Field, Williston

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## Aviation News From Our State Capital

### Try For Safety Record In GI Training Setup

Thirty-six schools have been approved by the Board of Higher Education and the Division of Aeronautics to hold contracts with the Veteran's Administration. The majority of these schools have obtained their Air Agency Certificates and all of them are expected to have them by July 1, 1947.

Considerable criticism has been aimed at the standards required for state approval and perhaps this criticism is deserved. On the other hand, however, the requirements, because of the additional safety margin, far outweigh any proposal to lower the standards. Though the program might have been larger had our standards been lower, the possibility of maintaining such a splendid safety record would in all probability have been jeopardized. This department wishes to go on record as commending to the highest degree the safety record established in the past year by the flying schools in this state.

To date, not a single casualty has occurred under the greatly accelerated pilot training program.

There has been considerable apprehension expressed by many in the aviation business that the GI flight program was a bubble that might be expected to burst at any time and leave operators who had incurred considerable expense without a possibility of regaining a portion of their capital investment. It is the department's opinion that the GI flight training program will continue throughout the normal expectancy of the entire GI benefit program. The value of pilot training will materially

increase as the years go by and veterans availing themselves of flight training will no doubt be grateful that they were able to obtain this training under the GI Bill.

In spite of the fact that several aircraft manufacturing companies have discontinued production the aircraft manufacturing industry in dollars and cents was the eighth largest in the United States in 1946. That in itself is proof enough that some type of training in aviation is certain to find an outlet of utility.

### AERONAUTICS COMMITTEE PREPARES PROGRAM FOR COMING BIENNIUM

The last regular meeting of the Aeronautics Committee of the Division of Aeronautics was held at Bismarck, Thursday, June 19, at which time the activities of the past biennium and the program for the coming biennium were discussed in detail. The committee reviewed the new law passed by the last legislature with a view toward establishing a policy for the coming biennium and, briefly outlined the aims of the commission for the biennium as follows:

(1) Airports and airways. Continued development of a state-wide plan of airports and airways. In the past biennium the Division of Aeronautics has encouraged the development of airports at many cities and has assisted in the actual planning of several airports, and proposes to continue to foster development as rapidly as possible and to lend every assistance within the power of the Division to all municipalities requesting assistance. The employment of an airport engineer should greatly augment this service.

### Vavra Named Chief Engineer

Harold G. Vavra has been employed as chief engineer of the engineering section of the North Dakota Aeronautics Commission. Mr. Vavra has had wide engineering experience and has worked for several companies in their aeronautical divisions.

He was key representative and divisional supervisor for the Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co. and as such was sent overseas to India. While in India he was forced to make a parachute jump from an exploding B-29 which injured his back. He has practically recovered from this mishap.

He has worked for Westinghouse Electric Company, and the

Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Company, both of which have recommended him very highly. He graduated from the school of electrical engineering in Valparaiso, Indiana, in 1934.

Mr. Vavra will leave Bismarck for a short indoctrination course with other state department and Civil Aeronautics Administration personnel. When he returns, he will set up the engineering department for the North Dakota Aeronautics Commission.

### Planes Pay For Themselves

Two businessmen in North Dakota whom the Director of Aeronautics interviewed recently are Earl Branick of Branick Company at Fargo, and C. W. Hendricks of C. W. Hendricks Company of Bismarck.

Both men stated that the airplanes they use in their businesses have more than paid for themselves in increased volume of business and time saved in commuting. Both said that it would be practically impossible for them to cover their territory were it not for their airplanes.

Another prominent businessman who uses his airplane a great deal for business is Irv Myhra of Myhra Equipment Company of Fargo. The stories of these men point the way of the future. Their stories prove that in cases where a businessman's interests are scattered about the country, the airplane will save him valuable time and afford him more time in which to develop new outlets. In addition, they provide a refreshing relief to the usual complaint of "too much cost and expense."

### N. D. To Have Air Marking

Airport operators interested in getting their community air marked this month are being urged to contact their Legion Post.

Complete information can be secured from the State Adjutants office. Plans and specifications for air marking are available at every Legion Post. Any help the pilots and airport operators can give will be greatly appreciated.

In the American Legion is successful in marking the 200 cities planned, North Dakota will be one of the best air marked states in the U.S.

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(2) Aviation education. To encourage aviation education as much as possible. As a policy the committee felt the Division should assist all schools and colleges in setting up aeronautical departments in their school systems. Constant education of the general public through newspapers and radio.

(3) Regulation. Regulate without restriction. It was the committee's desire that no conflicting or restrictive regulation be imposed upon the aviation industry and that only such regulation as the industry itself felt were needed and those necessarily a fact is that only half of the registration fee will need to be paid in 1947. That means that a 1942 Cub would be registered for \$9.00. All county auditors have been advised that aircraft in their counties are not to be assessed for personal property tax.

It was further decided to eliminate red tape that each aircraft would be registered once annually and that a sticker would comprise the registration certificate. Airmen's registration certificates will have space for the recordation of one violation.

In the early part of July all airports will be in possession of complete information on the registration of aircraft and airmen.

(4) Safety. The promotion of safety will be one of the prime concerns of the commission during the next biennium. A school for state patrolmen and all county sheriffs and municipal peace officers will be held in Bismarck July 24 and 25 at which all officers will be briefed and instructed as to what constitutes a violation of the Civil Air Regulations and state registration rules and regulations. One of the worst problems to contend with in aviation today is "Johnny Buzzboy" and it is with him that the state patrol will be primarily concerned. Generally speaking, reckless flying is the thing to be eliminated and under that, of course, would fall the "buzzboy" and

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## Meals Prepared Under the Direction of Famous Chef Served by AIR FRANCE

Course by course serving in the clouds of a 440 mile table d'hôte dinner with native French wines and champagne awaits passengers on the Comets of Air France, French National Airline, which is making three flights a week from New York to Paris, connecting with flights to 52 countries on five continents. Regular menus include such items as celebrated French hors d'oeuvres and coq au vin.

The meals are prepared under the personal direction of Emile Delorme, a French Chef of reputation whose food has pleased the palates of discriminating diners at the French Pavillon at the New York World's Fair, Hotel Pierre in New York and Cro's in Paris.

The wines are kept at the proper temperature throughout the journey. Their vintage is carefully selected by Chef Delorme and he prescribes the kind and type of wine to be served with every dish. There is champagne, fine Burgundy, claret, sherry of native French vintage and cocktails served to passengers before meals.

In addition to the warm meals served on the Comets, Air France's trans-Atlantic passengers are treated to a cold buffet on the plane in the evening and a warm Irish breakfast at Shannon, Eire. When weather does not permit landing at Shannon, breakfast is served on the plane. In airline tradition there is no charge for these meals including the wine or champagne served with the meals.

Hospitable service with a



French accent is offered by pert smartly uniformed hostesses. All the girls, who are selected for their good looks as well as their personal charm are French. While some of them have never been in New York, all are thoroughly versed in English.

At the training school for Air France hostesses in Paris, the girls who are to serve passengers on the trans-Atlantic route, learn such things as protocol, proper meal service, infant care, first aid, simple documentation and nursing.

All Air France hostesses must be well educated, able to talk with passengers in several lan-

guages and be capable conversationalists. They must know the proper etiquette in serving a person of nobility, how to address a prince, an ambassador or a governor. They must know how to make out the proper forms—customs declarations and landing declarations as stewardesses also, act as pursers. In short they must be a jack of all trades as well as diplomats.

The smart French blue uniforms the Air France hostesses are wearing were tailored by one of Paris's smart dressmakers, and their natty outfits are topped by chic berets with the insignia of the pioneer international airline.

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### Aeronautics Committee Prepares Program

those people who exercise privileges for which they are uncertificated. All student pilots and private pilots are cautioned not to fly aircraft for hire.

(5) A constant and adequate air marking program. The American Legion has undertaken the air marking program for this year and estimated originally that some 200 air markers would be painted and that they have already completed 100 air markers, according to Jack Williams, State Adjutant. The chairman of the American Legion's air marking program is, Vernon Baltzer of Napoleon, North Dakota.

(6) Air common carriers: The encouragement of additional commercial airline service in the state of North Dakota. The commission has intervened in one case at Washington, D C and contemplate the intervention of another in August.

These are the specific objectives of the Aeronautics Commission. Generally speaking, it is the commission's purpose to cause as many people as possible to think about aviation and to encourage as many as possible to be active participants. You will note that the majority of the objectives of the commission are the same objectives as those of all airplane enthusiasts and operators. Let's help each other as much as possible. We are all striving toward the same end, namely, more and better airports, more pilots, more aircraft, more aviation and more safety.

### Huge Army Surplus Hanger Completed

An enormous army designed canvas hangar was recently completed at Worth Field, Dickinson, North Dakota.

The hangar was purchased through the War Assets Administration. It was cut down to 100 x 100 feet with a permanent wood structure. However airport personnel were confident it would withstand any amount of wind.

It is estimated that about 30 planes can be hangared. With a 22 foot ceiling planes can be stacked to accommodate twice as many.

After completing the hangar, there was 15,700 feet of new rope, 3,000 feet of cable, 175 feet of 16 inch canvas, and 14, 2 foot poles left over.

Hangar rental will be reduced to \$7.50 a month.

The surplus hangar was shipped with everything equipped for building. All that was needed was a hammer to open the boxes. When the boxes were opened the hammer was even furnished.

#### Registered Aircraft

Ward	30
Charles Mix	9
Clark	4
Clay	3
Codington	30
Custer	3
Davison	21
Day	4
Duel	1

Dewey	5
Falls River	12
Faulk	6
Grant	1
Gregory	4
Haakon	8
Hamlin	1
Hand	6
Harding	1
Hughes	7
Hutchinson	3
Hyde	1

Jackson	2
Jerauld	1
Jones	6
Kingsbury	4
Lake	8
Lawrence	16
Lincoln	6
Lyman	7
McCook	2
McPherson	3
Marshall	3
Meade	3
Mellette	1
Miner	1
Minnehaha	41
Moody	10
Remington	61
Perkins	21
Potter	3
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