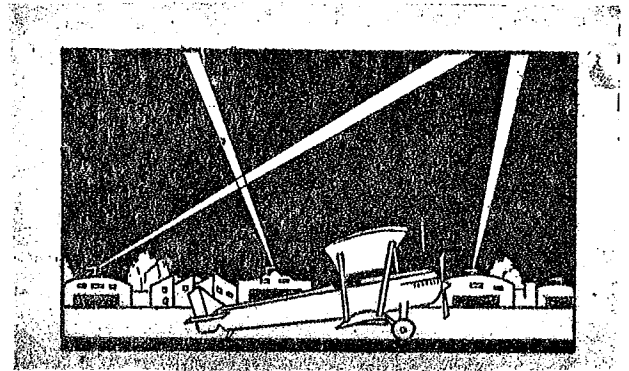


FLYING ACES

Club News



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WEST COAST RUBBER SCALE MEETS USING FLYING ACES RULES!!!!!!!



Yes sir, Buzzards, through the interest and efforts of clubster Bill Hannan the sunny California skys were filled with fine models built by our western counterparts.

Bill says the wingsters thought pretty well of the rules except for some of the high wing cabin model flyers. They didn't like being hit with minus 5 points, "just for showing up" so they deleted that rule in the next meet.

Well, fellows, we think that rule should stay in for three good reasons: one, a modeller can enter a different type ship and earn bonus points along with his high-wing cabin job. Because the ship earning the highest total points is the ship used in his scoring. Two; "minus five points" is only a psychological block. We'd bet our best model that if we wrote the rules to read "zero points for high winged cabin", and boosted all the other bonuses up five points each that there'd be no howls of discontent and downwash. Three; let's face it, skysters, those high-wing cabin jobs have inherent flight qualities that put 'em way out front in performance. Didjever see a Gee Bee floating in a thermal?

But, to each his own, buzzards. GHQ is as pleased as a mosquito in a nudist camp that our rules are in action out in the Land of Lockheed.

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Credit, where Credit is due

Did you cloudsters happen to see Capt Hank Struck's Rodney Riser in the latest issue of MAN? Well, that plan was first published in the January, 1937 issue of our official Mag, Flying Aces, on pages 54 & 55. Phineas figures that MAN's editor, Walt Schroeder, forgot to mention thos because he was too busy numbering his sons and counting channels on their radio rigs. Hawwww!

Plan& Contest

OK, buzzards, here's your chance to win an old-time rubber scale plan and a ~~KNX~~ plan of under 100 square inches sport designed by our own Official Photographer, Steve Krivensky, Lieut. FAC. All you have to do is to write in and tell us the name of the model company that used to use the insignia shown up here at the top of this paragraph. First correct answer wins.

Peanut Scale Postal Contest

Achtung! All Peanut Pilots! How does the idea of a Peanut Scale Postal Contest sound to all you stick grippers?

We realize that Old Man Winter may take a nip out of your prop boss, but some of you may be as hale & hearty as air-mail pilots and have a go at it. It would sure give our honorary members and the long-grounded staff here at GHQ a chance to get into battle.

Here's the your peanut flights of March, when all will shout to stop. put it on a card, the following info: name of model company was used.

Here's your chance and get your tag list. Remember wingspan!

Take off,



flight plan: Time all from now until the 17th the little leprechauns Take your BEST time and and send it to GHQ with pilots name, name of ship, or magazine whose plan

to score a quick victory entered on that Kanone though; not over 13"

Clubsters!

Flying Aces Dictionary

Prop boss

plates & hardware used to attach the prop to the shaft. Also slang for human hose.

Line Boy

Airport attendant whose job is to gas up, tie down planes, etc. Usually a sky struck youngster.

With the Model Builders

Here's a chance for all you balsa bugs to write in and tell us of your latest or intended project. Also, you can use this opportunity to send out an SOS to all your co-pilots to help you get out of that spin you're in trying to locate a three view, pics, or a color scheme for those extra points at contest time.

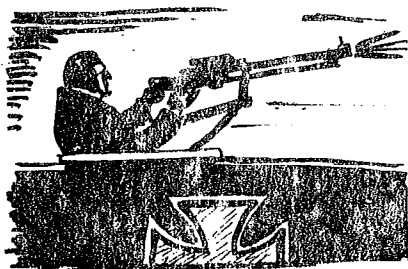
We just got word here at GHQ by field telephone of yet another peanut scale job that didn't make out last sky scrap. Yep, Lt, George Durkota, Trumbull, Connecticut Flight, had a Bellanca Monoplane revving up on his tarmac, but had to cancel his flight to do a job for Uncle Sam. Well, George; the old FAC will turn over the controls to Uncle Sam any time. You bet! Lt. Durkota has also just rolled out a neat new Megow 30" Howard DGA 8. Now George can pilot his Howard in Old Time Rubber Scale events, as well as the FAC meets. Wise selection, Lt!

We got a squint at the latest staunch and speedy skyster on John Stott's deadline, fellows. She's a cream & green Bellanca Senior Pacemaker. But what makes this bus so special is that it was built from the pages of Good Old Flying Aces, our Bible here. By turbulence, when the gang here at GHQ hears of a new ship built from FA plans, we get as giddy as when we had our exec transport at 25,000 feet without any oxygen.

And, speaking of the gang at headquarters, Lt Bob Thompson is putting the finishing touches on a Bristol Prier monoplane of 1912. Hope your early bird gets a worm or three, Lieutenant!

FAC Bob Jespersen, Orange, Conn. Flight, is working on a couple of old timers from Model Aircraft Engineer magazine. An Outdoor Endurance and a Howard Ike. Both designed by Virgil Sturiale, a top notch modeller of those good old days. Let's see these crates in action next season, Bob! Hung, Great God of the Thermals, sure gets angry when he sees dust collecting on model wings.

You Said it



OK Buzzards, here's your chance to put the gang ~~here~~ at GHQ (X, Y, and Z) under the fire of your twin Spandaus! Just send us a card or a letter, and let us know the thoughts buzzing in your helmets.

Dear Lieutenant:

Your Flying Aces News was great! Even my wife got a kick out of it.I remain Lt. Whittles, No 5 Squadron, Wilksbury.

Bonjour!

Hey, you skysters have really produced a winner. FAC News is a great idea. Enclosed are some stamps to keep you coming out here to the old West Coast Aerodrome, and if it turns out that some sort of subscription fee is necessary, then just say the word. We are very intrigued about Peanut Scale here, Best regards to all the clubsters,

Editor's note:

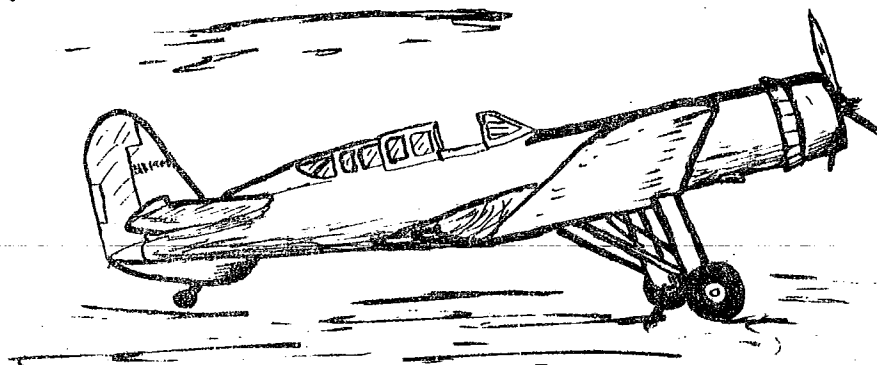
Bill Hannan

(Yessir, this is the true spirit of the skies, for we haven't heard from many of you model fans about our literary endeavours, and we need encouragement if we're to carry on in this great work.)



On the Flying Aces Model Tarmac

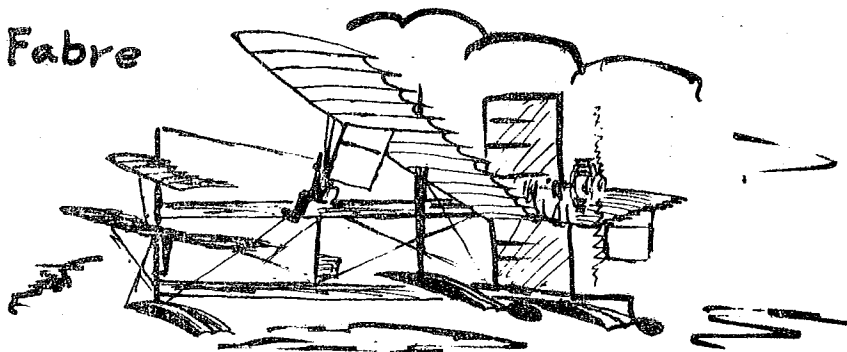
Here's a few sketches, fellows, of some interesting types that could sure earn you a passel of bonus points. Maybe some of you ambitious aeronauts may find a three-view of one of these birds and be kind enough to glide it in on the desk here at GHQ so we can print it in our next big issue. Who knows that we may see one of these crates materialize at our next FAC meet. Any drawing sent in will be handled with as much care as a planeload of mint condition FLYING ACES, and returned as soon as possible.



Vultee

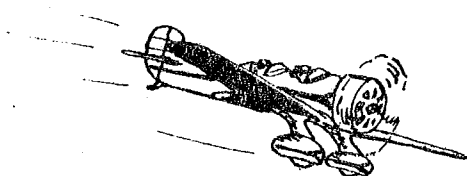
Push your goggles back and get a squint at this sleek skyster! It's a Vultee specially built for the United Aircraft Corporation in the early '40s. It was used as a flying test lab for Pratt & Whitney engines and Hamilton Standard props. Take a gander at that long landing gear for plenty of prop clearance. And, fifteen points for being a low-winger! Yessir, fellows, it looks to us like a model of this swell sky chariot would put some trophies in its happy builder's arms.

Fabre



We know it's as likely as Aabs in Israel, but it sure looks to us like this early French designer knew of the FAC scale rules 'way back in 1910. Look at the bonus points this glorified stick job could earn some rib-slicing tissue-trimmer.

As far as we know, it was the world's first amphibian, and she was built and flown by Henri Fabre, a frog aeronaut, on March 28, 1910. He took off from the Gulf of Fos at Martigues on that maiden voyage. The floats were made so that the machine could be landed on a sandy beach or a grassy meadow. A rotary engine powered this canard pusher. Must have sure been a terror to all the ducks in the neighborhood!



Notes from the Workbench

We doubt that any of you old skysters with a couple of thousand hours on your logbooks will get much help from this section, but it sure is a chance for our fledgeling eagles to pick up a pointer or two. Let's help 'em out, gang. Send in your tips.

This time we present the Flying Aces Line Boy.

Here's the answer to many of you clubsters that are Lone Eagles. A mechanical Line Boy to help "gas up" your rubber jobs when you have a calm sunny day and no helper. The FA Line Boy will hold everything from a class D Cabin Job to a Peanut scalester. All you need is to have your rubber motor held at the rear by a peg, rather than a rear hook. A music wire adapter can be developed to hold any stick jobs. We'll leave that to you, so that you can design one to fit your needs best.

The FA Line Boy can also be made of wood, if no aluminum is available. We've seen one like this, and it works out keen. So, "have at it, chaps", as our limey pals say.

The drawings show how to make up the parts and how to assemble them. To set up the FA Line Boy push the steel rod stake through one of the holes in the hinge attached to the rear leg and into the ground securely. To test, grasp the Line Boy by the head and give him a tug in the direction you'll be pulling the rubber motor. He won't complain(Hawwww!).

Next, push the short 1/4" tube through the hole in one side-plate, and install retaining pin. Then, put your model in, by inserting one end of your motor peg into the short tube. Now push the longer tube through the other side-plate and over the other end of the motor peg. Install the second retaining pin.



The model may be allowed to rest down on the rubber curl on the front of the base-plate until you're ready to wind.

Streeeetch and wind as tight as you dare, windsters. For the FA Line Boy won't chicken out and we mean it...as long as you use those retaining pins to check your stake beforehand.

By removing one bolt from one of the front legs, that leg may be folded to give the Line Boy a convenient shape and size to fit in the trunk of your car. Cut the length of the legs to suit your car. They will fit the trunk of a Volkswagen without being too much in the way or taking up so much space your field box & other necessities can scrunch in there, too.

the Lone Eagle

John Masters

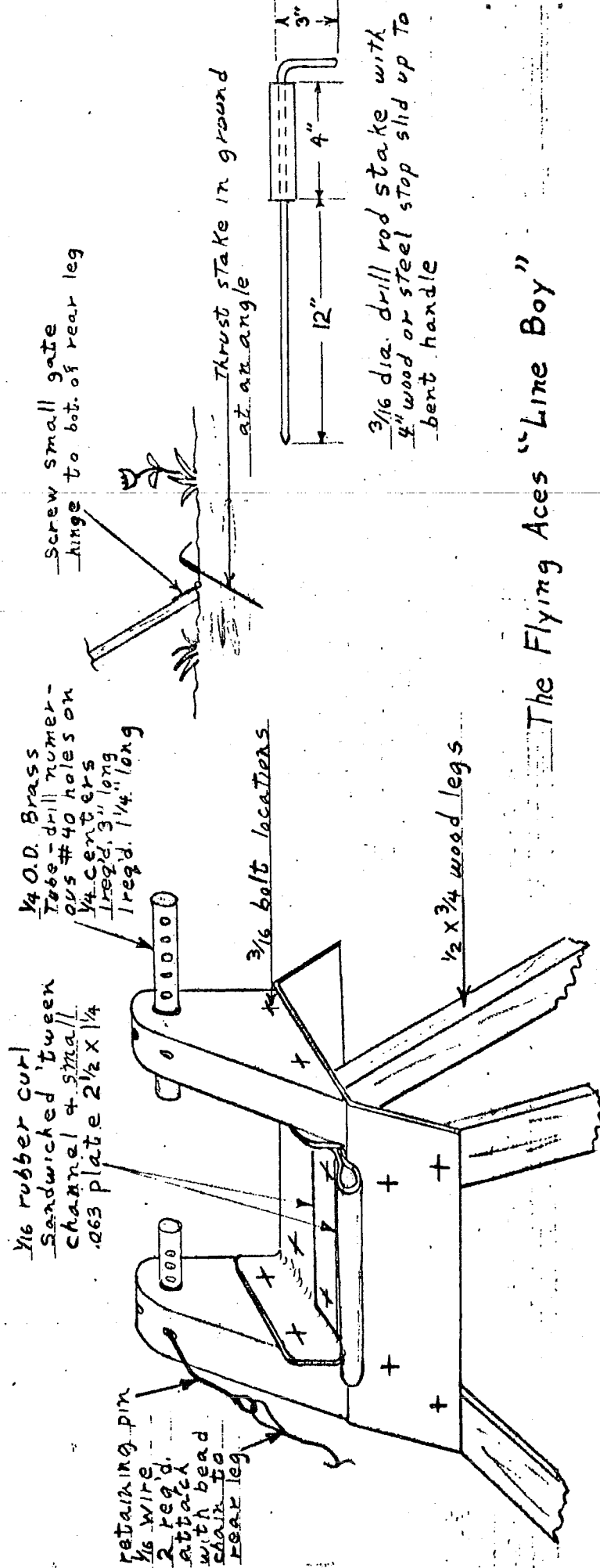
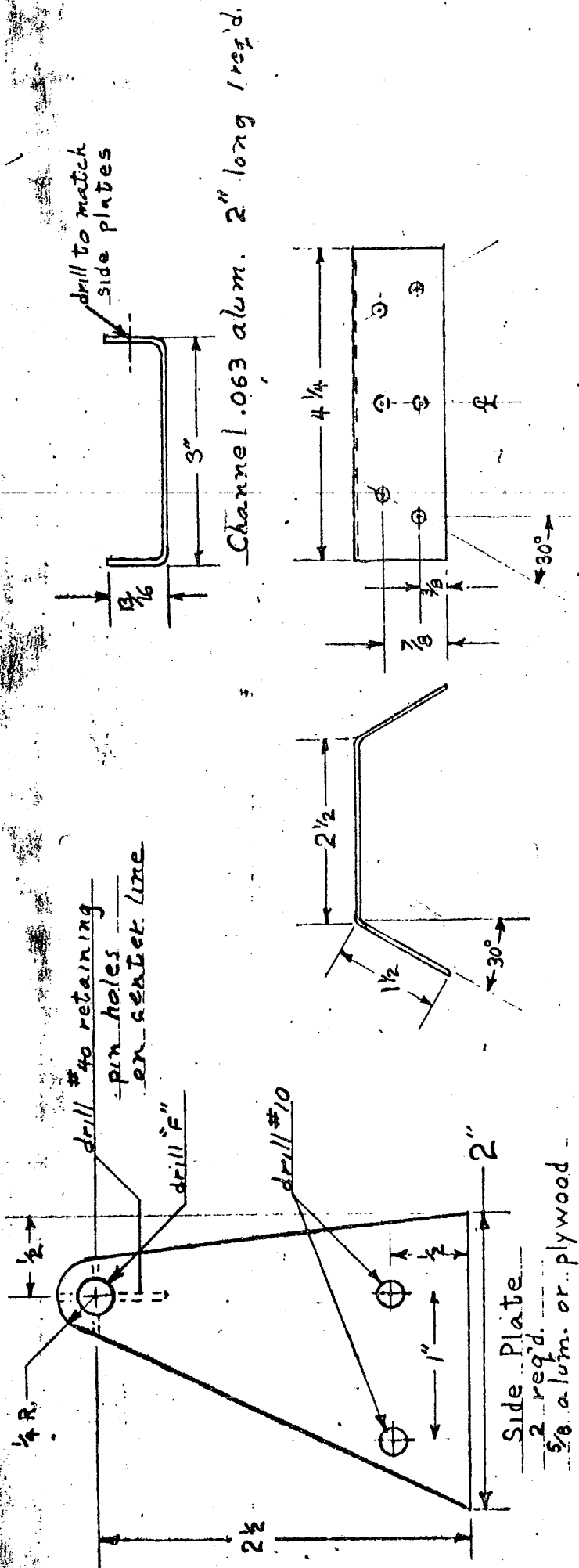
"World's Greatest Ace "

Down Memory's Runway

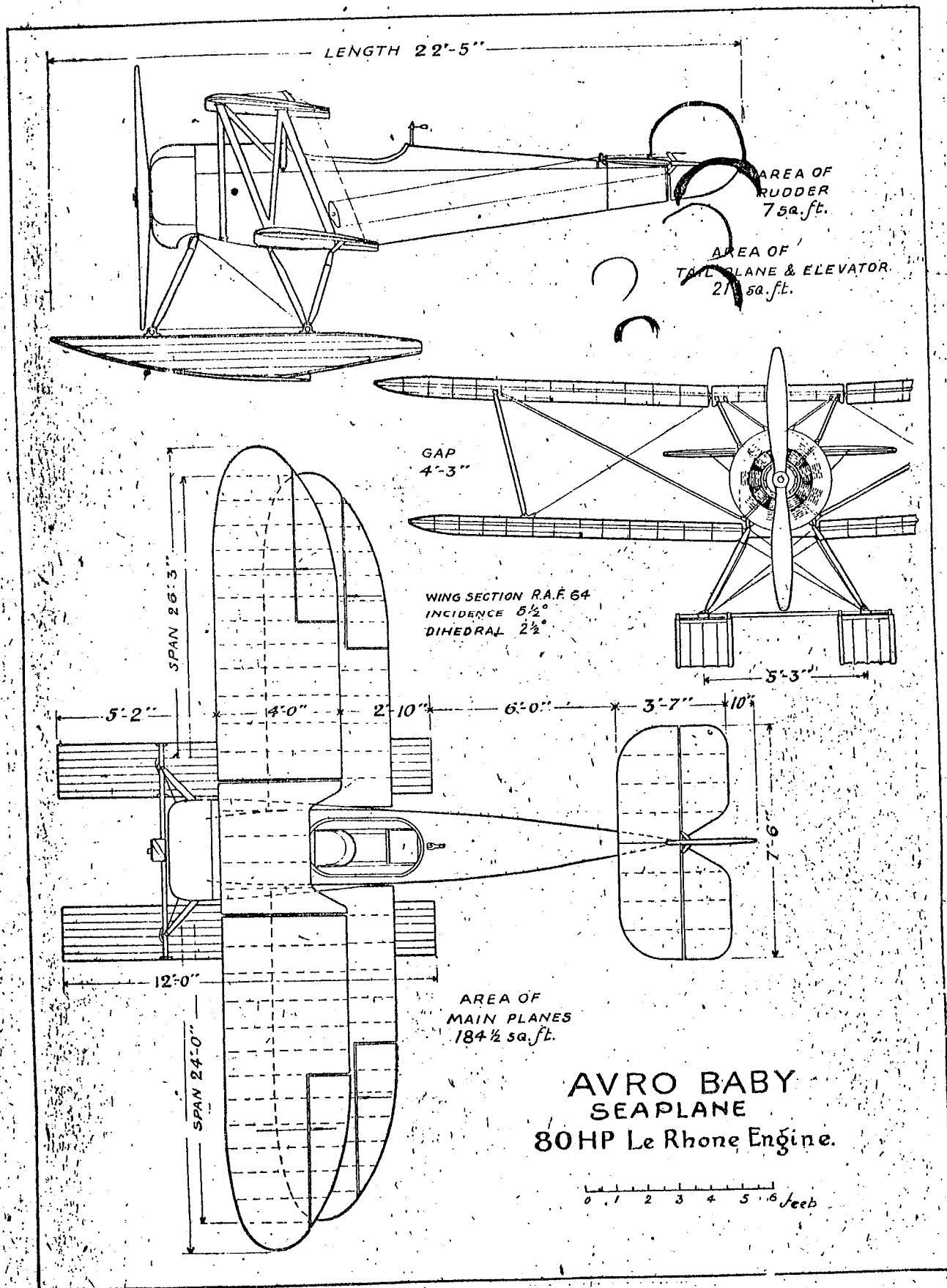
Here you are, wingsters! "When the wintry winds wail without and the modeller attempts to "strut his stuff" in the house, china closets and chandeliers usually conspire to spoil his fun. But now you needn't worry about that fellows! For no matter how small the available space, you can always fly our Phone Booth Special" by Louis Garami.

Yep, skysters, this little hummingbird originally appeared in the April, 1938 issue of FA, and was designed by the late Louis Garami, the mentor of our own Captain Struck. She'll give you hours of fun, both in building, and in strutting your stuff about the living room. Nossir.... cabin fever can't grab you if you build this nephew to a gnat!

Cast a goggled orb over this Avro Baby, a true bonus pointster. She was used on the Shackleton Polar Expedition after the Great War.



The Flying Aces "Line Boy"



THE AVRO BABY SEAPLANE : Plan, side and front elevations, to scale.

