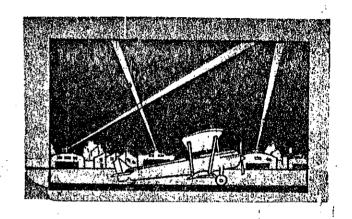
# FINGS ACES

# Club News



COMING MEETS

Issue #6

All you skysters better get your motors lubed up, those OT ships dusted off (save the weight, y' know), and get ready for the OTd Timer Meet in Oranger Massachusetts, on 8 September.

Be sure and save some ships for the big SCAMA Sweepstakes, which come on 29 September of this year. As you wingsters well know, that is the biggest meet in these parts and this year, as an extra attraction, they have decided to use Flying Aces Club flying scale rules. Yep.... we here at GHQ are glad to see that Capt. Hank Struck has seen fit to adopt our rules (except for the necessity of an ROG...remember that one); we're sure he(11 find them lots easier to handle that the AMA rules, as well as being about 300529 times more fun for the flyers. Yessir, this big AMA sanctioned contest is also featuring another event invented here on the Old Pinkham Field tarmac..... namely Peanut Scale. Course there's plenty of other events of the usual types, but these are the big ones for us scale flyers, so make the balsa and tissue shreds fly and be ready. Let's prove to "them" (AMA) that our rules are better and will do more to bring back the fun in modelling.

Remember.... also..... an OT rubber and gas event at SCAMA, Anybody got any SAE # 70 oil?





The Yankee Championships, sponsored by the New England Wakefield Group (NEWG to the uninitiated), found clubster John Stott (the Bristol Brownie flyer) up there for the Coup d'hiver event, as well as unlimited rubber. The skysters up there asked John where the rest of the FAC was, and he told 'em... right at home, where they belonged, since there wasn't any scale event at their meet. Chris Keshishian then sez; "Then, Gee Whiz, we ought to have scale then." Good idea, Chris. Let's put it right into action and get scale on the NEWG deadline in the future. All set? Let's go then!



Now, it's up to all of us to bombard the NEWG with reams of mail, like that old petrified cloud dew in January, thick as a bohunk's noggin... Hawww! Our appointed victim is: R D Sisson, 16 King's Road, Canton, Massachusetts. Just drop him a line on a card so's he won't forget us.

We'd like to tell you how our FAC emissary did at the Yankee Champs, but we forget. He did real well in one event, and lost the model OOS (within two minutes howzat for a boomer, lads!?) on his first official in the other.

(Those agonized shrieks you hear are from the FAC Keeper of the Log who should have kept records of John's accomplishments. He didn't, so we're tearing up his tissue, smashing his dope bottles, and have squirted motor oil...SAE#70...into his rubber lube bottle. He'll remember next time.)

Last, but as important as the previous hard-hitting announcements, comes the real smackeroo. The hardest blow of all... to your individual pocketbooks. Yep... the FAC is going bigtime, and due to the lack of financial support for the News, we figure we've got to charge you for entering our meet. For instance, due to overenthusiasm on the part of our ununiformed, uninformed, unalert mail clerk, that last issue had two of those beautiful 10 ¢ Jenny Air Mail stamps on it...instead of the 7 ¢ political figure stamp you usually get. The extra 13 ¢ spread over some 65 issues grieved the mail clerk mightly and his moans are still heard in damp evenings hereabouts. That's right, he wants his money back and figures that a "nominal" entry fee on the part of all contestants (except for juniors, natch) will about manage to subsidize a years subscription to Ye Olde FAC News, modeldom's greatest newspaper, as FA was modeldom's greatest mag back in the gelden age... the Depression to the unwary.







NEW YORK BON VIVANT GROUP VISITS PINKHAM FIELD

One bright weekend in July (about the only nice one we've had this summer, honest fellows, this place is about to turn into the Amazon valley with all this heat, humidity, thunderstorms and general smell of rotting vegetation. About all we're missing is poison dart, pirhana fish and Moel Redfern) we were honored by a visit from the Blue Helmet Squadron, from New York...those of the M. Henri Beaujolais.

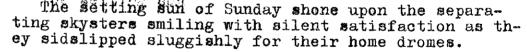
Namely, Alex Godo, Joe Poloso, Lts. FAC, with Pfc Roy Kibbie as ackemma. They arrived Friday night and got together with the bandits of GHQ for some hangar flying and viewing of some fine model films which Joe Poloso hade made at Lakehurst. Yessir, we saw Lt Fritz von Weitzel's record crunching indoor autogyro and ornithopter flights, all in brilldant color, as well as many other scale models, including Ed Franklin's Beech Musketeer, Ed Beshar's (the Syrian Rugmaker) Fokker D VILI, Joe Poloso's FAC prize winning Deperdussin Schneider racer (from our official club mag, FA, and the brainchild of Capt. Henry Strück, FAC) and other scale jobs by non FACs (wish they'd get here to our meets and become members, rather than mere "nondescript owners of other scale jobs"). Lt. Poloso also showed a film of the 1938 Nationals, and was that ever a load of memories to your editor!... he was three years old at the time, but it was still fun to see pics of the early Henry Strück, Frank Zaic, and many others of great fame.

Yep, Saturday Morning found the deadline at Pinkham Field a lot longer than normal. The additions being Lt. Godo's Myers OTW, Piper Vagabond, Sperry Messenger, Nieuport XVII, Pilatus Turbo Porter, and a little ROG, Lt Poloso's two original contest jobs, his Deperdussin, a Waterman Gosling from the pages of FAC News, and a few other models we can't remember. (Yikes! there goes more punishment for the keeper of the Log)

They flew and flew and flew. Godo went at it steady, all day. Godo wouldn't even go to lunch, and, burned hideously black by the sun, had to beg a glass of water from a kindly lady who lives in the Neighborhood.

Joe Poloso made lots of neat films of the day's activities with his movie camera, and some models were regular camers hogs, making fine flights so that they could be recorded imperishably. Alas, Bob Thompson's Polikarpov R-5 (Natasha) wasn't happy to make long flights for the camera and tried some disastrous stunting. This was an unwise maneuver for her, for she and her obviously drunken Russian crew plunged into the hard, cold sod. With a rending of spars and a cracking of longerons, she died, as ignominiously as her deeds. But, even in death, she hogged the camera, for Joe was there with his camera to witness her flaming death. The model with all her scurrilous propaganda leaflets was burned at the stake. A fitting doom for a commie traitor who damaged state property. Glory to Great Stalin!

The setting sun of Sunday shone upon the separa-



## ON THE MODEL PLANE TARMAC

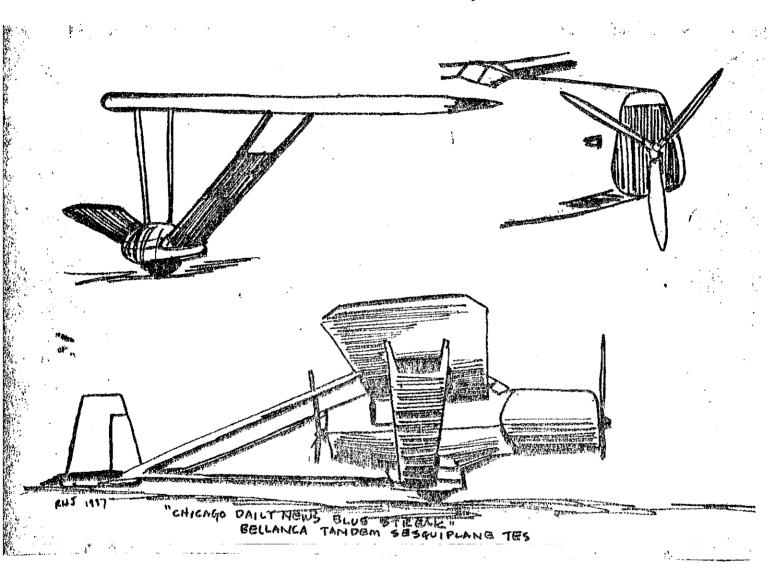
The sketch of this issue's subject could belong on the "FAC Sketchpage" as well as here, for it was made back when this tandem engined terror was brand new. Yep, fellows, it was the artistic hand of the Milford Fox, Lt. Bob Jespersen, that produced this work thirty-one years ago.

The Bellanca TES, or Blue Streak, was powered by two Curtiss Conquerors at one time, and by two air cooled radials at another.





Boy, fellows, we'd sure like to see a model of this crate, pushing and pulling its way across Pinkham Field. She's been a long-time favorite with the skysters here at GHQ, but three-views or model plans of this bus are as easy to get as ice cubes in the middle of the Sahara. If any of you clubsters have anything more on this flying machine, why not glide it ente the desk here at GHQ so we can run it for all you fellows out there.

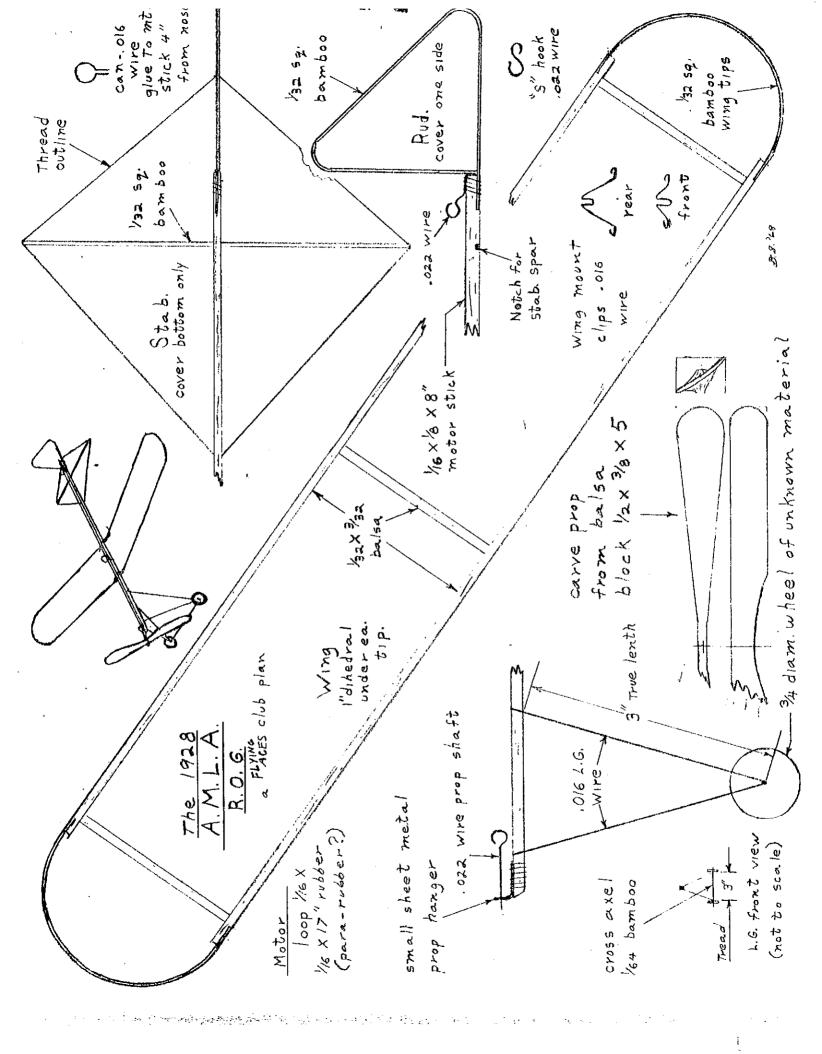


### DOWN MEMORY'S RUNWAY

The A.M.L.A. R.O.G. Wow, buzzards! The mame of this little ship looks more like someone trying to unscramble a spoonful of alphabet soup. Those initials stand for the Airplane Model League of America Rise Off Ground. And rise off ground she does! Just like the AMLA did, for it's now known as the AMA.

You buzzards who were at our big FAC spring meet at Pinkham Field may well remember Lt. Ed. Franklin's model of this ground-hating cloud cuddler. She showed her tail feathers to many a more sophisticated model that day!

Here we go, wingsters, back to 1928, the days of split bamboo, "talkies Para Rubber, Rudee Vallee, Lindy, and the Airplane Model League of America. Happy pre-depression building!



. . Can you refuel your model in the air?

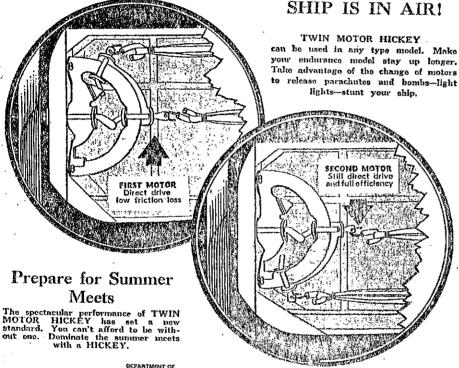
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MAN. We wonder if any of you old time buzzards out there ever owned or saw one of these Rube Goldberg type device hickies. It looks to us like it might JUST be worth its weight in a model. and also worth its weight in the sweat and evil language spent in making it. We'd like to get

Lt Bob Jespersen, that

sharp-eyed Fox of Mil-

ford, spotted this ad in an early issue of

any opinions you might have, either from your own, or from others' memories, or experience.

Lt. Dave Stott has been thinking of building one of these as his " winter folly" this year, instead of a four engine rubber job. Looks to us like it would take as much time to make one of these and perfect it as to make a Cleveland B-17.

the FLYING ACES DICTIONARY

to go west....to die This expression came about in the British army in the World War, for to be sent to the Western Front ("West") was almost a death sentence.

"them" ....the AMA aa small subsidiary of the FAC which has a poor set of Flying Scale Rubber rules.

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### HUNG'S ALTAR

(This section, fans, is like the Honor Roll in you home town, 'cause it's here we list the models that are flown out of sight, and are lost to Hung, Great God of the Thermals. Be sure and side-slip us a card here at GHQ and let us know when Hung gets one of your little creations in his ethereal clutches.)

John Stott's Coupe d'Hiver model, Garter Knight, went west up there at Fort Devens, Massachusetts, in the Unlimited Rubber event. As we've already told you, it caught such a violent thermal (or Hung liked it so well). that it flew 0.0.S. within the two minute max period. Some flyer, we'd say, and John is a-building upon another. Better look out, you other contest flyers! Duck, Hung, here she comes again!

Bob Thompson lost his Comet Phantom Flash ROG in a hotly contested duel with Dave Stott's AMLA ROG. The Flash caught herself a light thermal and was off on an 11 minute 15 second flight to eternity. Bob had done

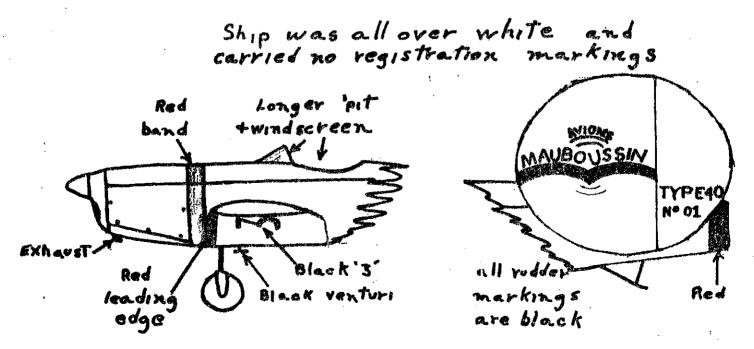
a lot of loud-mouthing about how his Flash was the "Permanent FAC Stick Trophy Holder" and had taken a lot of ragging from his pals when Dave made a "long" flight of 1 minute, 50 seconds with the AMLA ROG, and mocked him as he took away the trophy. But the Old Flash had it in her, and now she's with Hung... but the Trophy is with Bob, where it belongs.

Here, on the right, is a picture of the kindly old man who now has the Flash, as well as the Knight. Kind of makes you warm inside to see such a nice old chap has your models. He'll not treat them badly.



### MAUBOUSSIN POSTSCRIPT

G-2 ace, Capt. Philip Strange just rolled in on his 1917 Indian and handed in this dispatch, just received from the September 1967 issue of Aviation International, which is published by the frogs. Aneat mag for any of you skysters who can parley voo.



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### the F.A.C. SKETCH PAGE

Any of you keen-orbed rib-slicers recognize this snappy bipe diving down the page here?

Well, you shouldn't, 'cause it never existed, excepted in the airminded bean of Dave Stott. Yep, Dave

Stott. Yep, Dave envisioned this sporty speedster (along with its helmeted pilot equipped with goggle-

wiper) as what he would like as his own

full-scale personal plane. That was many years ago, and he says it would still fill the bill today. Two solid models of it were built, each having one of those nifty old die cast lead radial engines and prop.

Later on, a 15 inch span rubber-powered flying model was built. Dave says he's glad he never built a full-size version, cause the model did most of its flying inverted! Next time try designing while you stand on your head, Dave! Haaawwww!

## WITH THE MODEL BUILDERS

Yep, the rib-slicing, tissue-trimming modeleers are busy enough with their ships these days! And they've even had time to shoot us some dope on their projects, so much so that we've got enough gas to raise the Hindenburg from its grave.... Hawww!

And, here's that Milford Fox again. Yep, Lt Bob Jespersen is winding up work on a 30 inch Supermarine S6B for a flashing bash at the SCAMA Scale Trophy this September 29 th. Who'll pilot this speedster, Bob? Leftenant Stainforth or Leftenant Orlebar?

Got word here that the skies over Saybrook, Connecticut, are playing host to the scale jobbies of Lt. Jack Wittles, as he whips them into shape for the coming air duels over Pinkham Field. Hope to see you flying "point" in a Vee of SCAMA Clubsters on their way here, come October, Jack!



Here's news of another Jack, wingsters. Jack Chilmark is putting the finishing touches to an Earl Stahl Taylorcraft Grasshopper for the Orange, Mass. Olde Time Meet. Jack's son, Lt. John Chilmark, has been chewing the ozone with his Gollywock in preparation for the same meet. Good luck, Clubsters!

Lts. George Durkota and Ed Novak were out on the Pinkham Field tarmac getting their Struck Champ Makers in shape for the big Fall Fuss there. Ed's got a neat new Meyers OTW in the air, and a Mauboussin tandem on the production line. Ed's also got another fellow in his neighborhood interested and he hopes to be ready for competition in the fall. Great work, Ed. Inspiring interest in models is one of the highest goals of any FAC, and we sure are proud to see you working at it like that.

And, speaking of spreading interestding modelising, that SGAMArclub has radio announcements made every so often, giving the time and place of their club meetings. Howzzat, fellows! SCAMA Meetings are held in the Community Room of the Hamden National Bank every second and fourth Friday

Clubster Paul Stott, HQ & HQ Squadron is hard at work on a 12" Megow Monocoupe. That's so he can make his own grab at the Flying Aces Golden Peanut Award. Paul says he's built the structure of 3/64" square, rather than 1/16" to save weight. The balsa was stripped on a devise designed for such purposes by Lt. Frank Tartaglia of Long Island. Worked good, Frank! Unless memory fails us, it was just this little stripper which wasused to strip off all the wood in the old Bay Ridge Model Company, so you owners of Mikes and Diamond Demons give a wave to this devise, for it was used to make your kit. And, clubsters, we have a real surprise for you from Frank in the next issue.... something you can all use.) Paul just finished a 16" Comet Corben Super Ace and has begun test flights. Happy landings, Paul!

While nodding sleepily over an issue of FA, the field telephone jangled and it was Lt. Alex Godo, New York Squadron, to tell of a fine deadline of peanuts, ready for the big World War 1 sky scrap. He's got a Fokker D VIII, Se-5, and a faithful old D VII on the way, plus his Nieuport XVII, which already has plenty of hours over the lines. Yep.... the old FAC will soon have more peanuts than Planters... Haawwww!

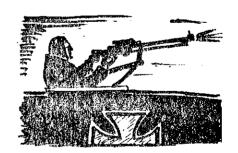
Lieutenant Dave Stott is completing flight tests on his new Heinkel He-5 seaplane of the Swedish Air Force... that's Flygvapnet for you Svens out there...Say, Lars, vere you hide the gløg? I ban needin some after that cold flight over de frozen lakes! This model was a direct desendant of the Hansa Brandenburg fighter seaplanes used in the World War by the Kaiser. We believe here that those Brandenburgs were also designed by Ernst Heinkel, so the blood lines are there, fellows! Any body out there got a snap of one of these birds in German or Norwegian markings? Perhaps the Danes had some, too. This is an Aeromodeller plan and is available to us all, fellows. What do you say to a fleet of Heinkels? Wouldn't they be neat, flying around and preventing shipments of bootleg Akvavit and Cherry Heering to the Prohibitionist USA?

Be sure and write in and let us know what you're building, fellows. Especially those of you whose home dromes are far from Pinkham Field.

### NOTES FROM THE WORKBENCH

The wire from the twist-wraps from "Baggies" makes swell hinge-wire for your tail surfaces in your latest sky project.

The Matell set of "Fighting Men" using the "Plastigoop" has a swell .50 calibre machine gun in about 3/4 scale. And, these are light and completely flexible. They CAN'T be broken, so rob the kiddies and make yourselves plenty of non-registerable machine guns, modelsters!



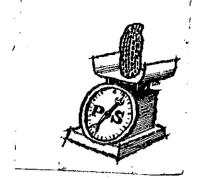
This handy thing, plus the old Vacu-Form toy makes Matty Matell to the modeller swell.

Check around for some of those place-mats that are made of bamboo, the bamboo is old, has been washed, soaked in coffee, mustard and a thousand other things, and this makes it VERY easy to work. That, plus it is already pre-cut for you into 1/16" strips! Just the thing for those REAL vintage model wingtips, tails, etc. Looks great on a peanut!

### PEANUT NEWS

Bill Hannan has finally struck paydirt with the VTO column in Model Radio Control Racecar/ Schroeder Family Album/ Expanded R-C Coverage/ MAN! Yep, we got a nice write-up from Bill in that mag.

And we remind you that SCAMA is having Peanut Scale at their big sky scrap. This is the first AMA sanctioned meet we've made, so better watch out, Hung! Them little peanuts is a-comming up at ya!



Well, the Flightmasters held a Peanut Scale contest last week-end. The turn-out was fairly small, but the variety was great, and we had a great time of it. The meet was held in a nice grassy schoolyard (with permission!) in Inglewood, California. The flying site was actually a bit cramped with a building on one side, trees on another, and a high fence all around. But it just added a little extra challenge, and happily, no one ended up on the roof or in the branches. I had received a letter about a week earlier from Harold Osborne (ex-Flightmaster Prexy) who wondered why Jetex wasn't included in PS. I told him to go ahead and give it a try. Since he was short of time, he and his son only made profile jobs this time, but are hard at work on "serious" versions, with molded balsa fuselages, for next time.

The subject that they selected was the YAK-15. On one flight, the model was launched before the fizzer was really putting out enough thrust, and it glided down onto the grass. Before it could be retrieved, it built up steam and proceeded to R.O.G in a most impressive manner! Owing to trouble with a bad batch of fuses, Harold elected to take the remaining two of his flight "dead stick" (ala hand launch glider), as did his son.

All during the contest, Ray Caswell, senior citizen of Autogiro City, put on demonstration flights with his peanut-sized rubber-powered giro. This a fine little flyer, and while it doesn't equal the performance of the conventional ships, shows real possibilities. Next step: A scale peanut giro.

Final results were as follows:

Entrant	Entry	1	2	3	Total	Pla	ice
Bill Hennan	Gen. Aristocrafi	13.6	30.5	30.5	7.	4.6	1
Ken Hannan (Jr.)	Miles M. 18	18	16.4	24, 2	5	8.6	2
Ray Caswell	Eastchurch Kitten	15.4	13.5	14	4:	2.9	3
Tom Laird	Gen. Aristocrat	10	14.4	10.5	34	4.9	4
Harold Osborne	YAK 15	6	9.3	14	29	9.3	- 5
J.C. Benedict	Supermarine Sparrow	6.5	12	6.7	Si	5.2	6
Mark Osborne (Jr.)	YAK 15	7	10	8	25	<u>-</u>	7

# YOU SAID IT ! ,.... letters from the Clubsters

Enjoyed the Flying Aces Contest on May 26. Don (Garafalow) and I thought it was great. How did you like my sneaky trick, flying a 1927 baby ROG in the Sport Rubber event?.... Hope you have another meet this year.

(Glad you enjoyed the meet, Ed. Of course we're having another meet for you this year, and we liked your "dirty trick" of flying that lil ol' ROG so well that we've run the little thing in this issue so's all you wingsters can have a go at it! A word of warning.... Hung likes this little gnat!)

.... I agree that the under 100 square inch event looked very interesting. Next time we ought to try it.... hope you succeed in selling them on Peanut Scale, too.

Side note: In trying to find the site last time, we were asking people where Pinkham Field was, and getting blank looks. Is it true that there is no such place, except in the jargon of the FAC?

Fritz Weitzel (Yes, Fred, there IS a Pinkham Field, just like there IS a Santa Claus.)

the Court-Martial of Lt. Fritz von Weitzel or....On the Joys of Flying in the Park or.....Fun City.....Phooie!

"Van Cortlandt Park is a beautiful site, and one of the few areas in New York City where model flying is feasible. We have heard that that is where Frank Zaic used to fly (also Julius Unrath's little F+A brain children first took wing there...ed), and have seen models flown there quite often, so we assumed that it was allowed. But, just to be sure, we asked the local hobby shop and got the answer: "Sure, it's OK, we fly there all the time."

So we happily built a coupe d'hiver and stepped out onto the hallowed

grounds on a sunny, calm afternoon.

One test flight later, two Park Department detectives were at my side, asking questions, and shortly thereafter, I spent a whole day going to the inaccessible interior of the East Bronx and appearing in court to pay a \$2 fine.

Checking on the matter revealed that there is a City Ordnance that NO model airplane flying is allowed in any park. The wording is any "toy airplane", which not only covers everything, even 10 ¢ balsa gliders, but is an affront to anyone who follows this serious and difficult hobby.

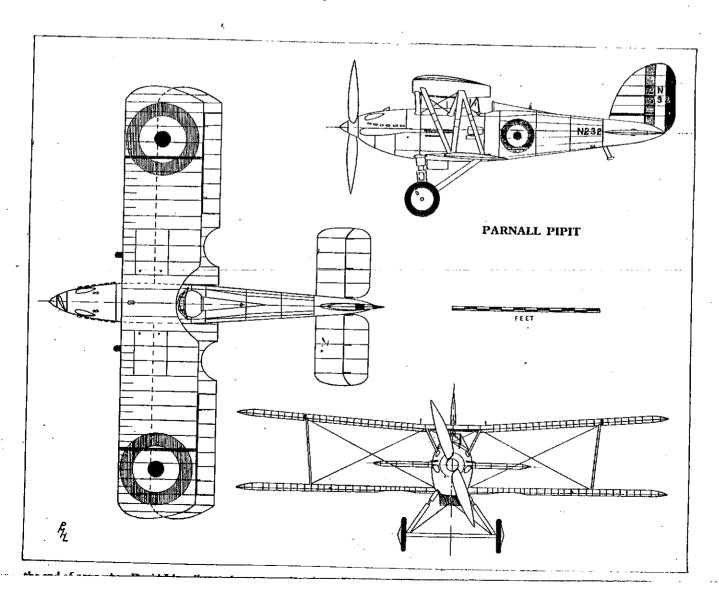
Anyhow, when they say, "Let's go flying in Van Cortlandt Park, that's a nice site"...I answer, "Not me, pal!".... when you're a natural born loser, you have to be careful.....

Mayor Lindsay has good intentions, and Commissioner Hoving was on the right track. We have had concerts in the park, bicycle paths, outdoor restaurants, love-ins, truly a Summer Festival, but the score still remains.....FUN: SI!

AIRPLANES: NON!

Somehow it just don't seem right. Let's hear it for Col. Lindbergh for Mayor!! (That was Fritz Weitzel's own story in his own words, of his battle with the NYPD. Fred even took his model into court to show the judge that it was harmless. But, it seems like there is some wire on the nose of it, and this was taken to "prove" that the plane is a "deadly weapon", for that wire could easily penetrate into the brain of a hapless citizen....surely not that judge with his armor-plated skull. Register Model Airplanes! Disarm the Modellers! Let's have meaningful model control! Can't you just hear old Walter Cronkite? Fellows, this is one that the politicians have missed, and we suggest that you all write your congressman now. Sign those petitions and put the Model Mafia out of business now! Do you want to die under the wire of a Peanut Scale ship? Killed by a Dallaire Kawasaki!?)





# FLYNGS

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2. Sport:

Any non-scale model with under 100 sq. inches of wing area. 90 second max.

3. Peanut Scale:

10-13 inches wingspan, scale models, all prominent details must be in place.

Prize donors include:

Fred's Variety of Bridgeport; Micheal's Hobbies, Milford; Branford Hobby Shop; Hobby Center of Hartford; Hannan Graphics, North Hollywood, Calif; HQ Officers of the Flying Aces Club.



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