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a handy man at the airport, but he will also be given instruction in the fine art of handling gliders and before returning home he has hopes of taking a ship aloft.

Davis left his home early Thursday morning and in less than 36 hours he had reached his destination. The trip, his first "thumbing" experience, was an uneventful one and one in which he did not have to ask once for a list. His youthfulness, clean-cut features and the small pack on his back brought him ride after ride. While staying in Elmira he will be the guest of Albert E. Hastings, holder of the Evans glider endurance record

Although a resident of Claremont Davis was graduated from the Rutland, Vermont, High School in 1929. Since that time he has spent most of his time at the Claremont airport and at his home delving in all kinds of books on aviation H- greatest interest is in airpl- motors. Saturday he was at the M-cipal airport bedecked in clo-

smp is green and yellow. Others are equally colorful.

The meet has been heralded internationally by press, magazine, radio and news reel photo services. Two representatives of newsreel services were on the field yesterday obtaining advance pictures of the contest. Radio Announcement

While contestants were trying out their various ships Saturday afternoon, they had the unusual experience of hearing their own names over the radio as participants in the contest. A young woman motorist with a radio in her automobile tired of the jazz program and tuned in on a station in Chicago.

The national contest was announced in the "Events of the World" program. The announcer described the peculiar formation of the hills surrounding Elmira which rendered this section almost perfect for gliding, and then launched into a list of the names of participants. The most spectacular event Saturday was the arrival of Warren E. Eaton from Binghamton via airplane tow. Mr. Eaton cut loose from the place at a height of approximately 3,000 feet and soared about the airport for 15 minutes before he landed.

Although an absolute calm prevailed in the lower stratum of atmosphere, Mr. Eaton said he found good soaring conditions above the "dead" air, and could have remained aloft almost indefinitely. Although the mercury was crowding 90 on the ground the Norwich entrant landed because "it was too cold up above."

Albert E. Hastings and the Providence, R.I., team were the only other entrants to attempt any gliding Saturday afternoon. The latter named team is captained by J. Sloat Fassett, 3rd, grandson of the late Congressman J. Sloat Fassett. Other members of his team are Arthur L. Lawrence, Allen Rooke, Walter Snell and William Sanborne. Hastings Performs

Hastings entertained the spectators with his familiar bag of flying tricks. Holder of the Edward S. Evans trophy for his work in the meet last year, Hastings is regarded as an outstanding threat in this year's contest. He has been instructing students daily at the airport for more than a month, and has obtained considerable invaluable experience with the air currents in this vicinity.

The two sailplanes brought in by Gus Haller and Martin Schempp of Pittsburgh, Pa., attracted considerable attention at the airport. One is a Haller-Hawk and the second a Schloss-Mainberg glider, the latter being the ship holding the

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Weather Outlook For Coming Week By The Associated Press



Weather outlook for week beginning Monday:
North and Middle Atlantic States: Mostly fair and warm weather for a
week as a whole except cool at the very beginning of the week.
For the Region of the Great Lakes: Moderate temperatures beginning of
week, becoming warmer by middle or close; showers east portion
Monday, probably followed by a more or less general shower period by
middle or close.

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