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Federal Men, Pilots Confer on New Rules

Results of Conference Here to Be National in Effect -- U. S. Army Ambulance Plane to Come After Purcell-- Other Two Better.

A conference of U. S. Government officials and glider pilots on proposed new regulations covering gliding, was held here Thursday.

Lack of prevailing winds prevented pilots from doing any soaring during the day, although ships were in readiness at East Hill and at South Mountain. A few student pilots made auto tow flights at the airport.

Professor Peter Altman of the University of Detroit, presided at the session Thursday night.

J. G. Budwig, chief of air regulations of the Bureau of Aeronautics, Department of Commerce, Washington and Inspector Asbury H. Meadows were present as federal representatives, Mr. Budwig having called the conference for the purpose of securing information as to changes needed in regulations covering gliding. The meeting was of national importance, decisions made requiring only the approving of the Commerce Department to become binding upon all pilots and at all contests.

As the result of the conference Mr. Budwig will suggest to the department new regulation covering physical examination of glider pilots, granting federal certificates to glider schools complying with government regulations, increased supervision of gliders with reference to strength in air, licensing instructors in glider schools, strict regulation of glider traffic, ban upon stunting.

## Tribute to Elmira

Matters of lesser importance will also be placed under revised rules as the result of the wishes of pilots and officials, based upon information gained here during the Second Annual National Gliding and Soaring Contest. This is the first time the government has ever held such a conference outside of Washington and it is a direct tribute to Elmira's importance as a center of gliding and soaring.

Those present were: Robert J. Eaton, Warren E. Eaton, Norwich; Professor R. E. Franklin, University of Michigan; Walter Snell, Arthur L. Lawrence, Jacob S. Fassett, Providence, R. I.; Albert E. Hastings, Elmira; Mrs. R. S. Barnaby, Washington; Clarence R. Webb ,New York City; Lieutenant R. S. Barnaby, Washington; Loran J. Kale, Snyder, N. Y.; James M. Creamer, Buffalo; W. Hawley Bowlus, Russell Holderman, Mrs. Dorothy C. Holderman, Leroy; A. C. Haller, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Arthur B. Schultz, Detroit; E. T. Baron, Montour Falls; M. F. Stoughton, Detroit; B. W. Wilson, Detroit; Allen Rooke, Providence; Franklin K. Iszard, Elmira; William L. Chellis, Newport, R. I.; Martin F. Schempp, Pittsburgh;



J. Norman Weiberg, Elmira; Captain Frederick A. Pippig, Paterson, N. J.; James H. Stickler, Brooklyn; W. H. Franklin, Ypsilanti, Mich.; Wayne Blaisdell, Kalamazoo, Mich.; Lous F. Ross, Cleveland, O.; E. P. Warner, New York City; Donald F. Walker, Detroit; Sherman P. Voorhees, Elmira; Charles Gale, New York City; Er. Elliott, Washington.

Injured Pilots Recovering

It was announced Thursday at St. Joseph's Hospital the conditions of all three injured pilots are improving. Major William L. Purcell is recovering to such an extent that his transfer to New York awaits only the approval of Dr. Hamilton.

Sherman P. Voorhees, director of the National Glider Association, interested F. Trubee Davison, formerly assistant secretary of War for Aeronautics, in arranging for an aerial United States Army ambulance to come to Elmira to transfer the patient.

Captain Thomas Phillips, U. S. Army flyer, who was seriously injured when his glider crashed Monday, is on the road to recovery, his physician reported this morning. Mrs. Phillips and their 10-year-old son have arrived in Elmira and are at his bedside.

One of the outstanding events at the airport was a special glider shoe put on by the American glider champion, Albert E. Hastings, for R. K. Rochester, the general manager of the Eastern Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, who arrived here with his staff on a special train. After C. E. Brinser, superintendent of the Elmira Division, joined the party the special train was sidetracked at the airport and Mr. Hastings put on his show, Mr. Rochester expressing the utmost interest in gliding and praising Elmira's progressiveness in securing such a contest.

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His Glider In Air Over Sixteen Hours

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With official and unofficcail glider records being made almost daily in every clime, even National Aeronatuical Association officials are hard put to keep up wit their bookkeeping. Just the other day Lieutenant John C. Crain, shown in inset, established a new international glider record for America with a flight of 16 hours, 38 minutes over the Island of Oahu, East Indies. Crain eclipsed the former international record held by Jack Barstow with a flight of 15 hours, 13 minutes over San Diego, Cal. However, both Crain's and Barstow's flights were unofficial, there being no F. A. I. timer on the spot at the time they made the records. The official international record is held by Lieutenant Dinort, a German, with a flight of 12 hours, 45 minutes in that country. Likewise, althought there have been several longer flights in the United States than the one made Wednesday by Albert E. Hastings, his is the American official record, as it was officially clocked by an F. A. I. timer. [[/inset article]]

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