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## EDWARD H. HOLTERMAN

### Pioneer Vermont Aviator

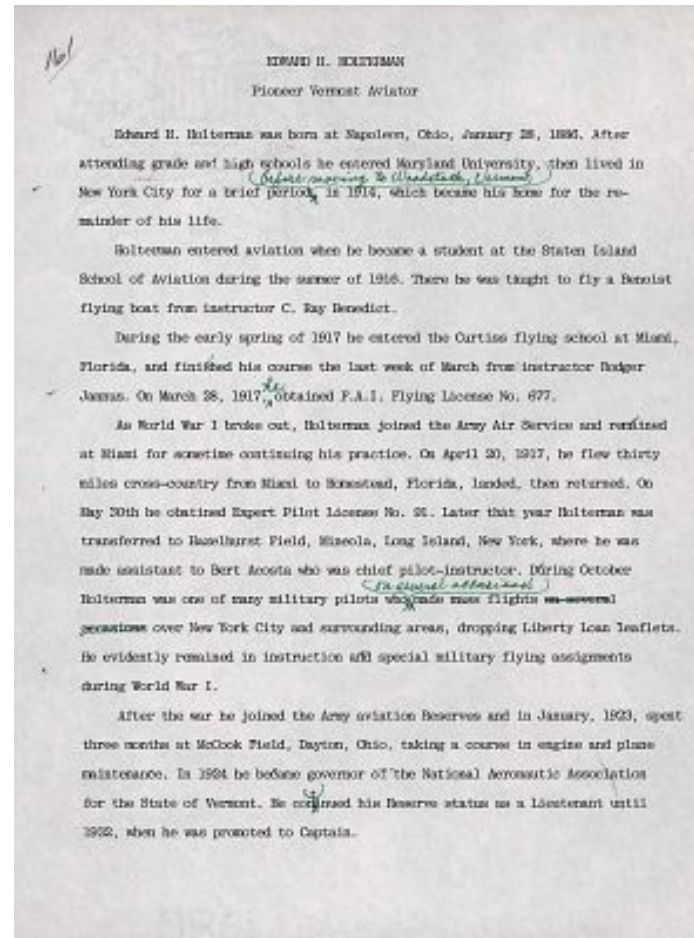
Edward H. Holterman was born at Napoleon, Ohio, January 28, 1886. After attending grade and high schools he entered Maryland University, then lived in New York City for a brief period before moving to Woodstock, Vermont in 1914, which became his home for the remainder of his life.

Holterman entered aviation when he became a student at the State Island School of Aviation during the summer of 1916. There he was taught to fly a Benoist flying boat from instructor C. Ray Benedict.

During the early spring of 1917 he entered the Curtiss flying school at Miami, Florida, and finished his course the last week of March from instructor Rodger Jannus. On March 28, 1917 he obtained F.A.1 Flying License No. 677.

As World War I broke out Holterman joined the Army Air Service and remained at Miami for sometime continuing his practice. On April 20, 1917 he flew thirty miles cross-country from Miami to Homestead, Florida, landed, then returned. On May 30 he obtained Export Pilot License No. 91. Later that year Holterman was transferred to Hazelhurst Field, Mineola, Long Island, New York, where he was made assistant to Bert Acosta who was chief pilot-instructor. During October Holterman was one of many military pilots who on several occasions made mass flights ~~on several occasions~~ over New York City and surrounding areas, dropping Liberty Loan leaflets. He evidently remained in instruction and special military flying assignments during World War I.

After the war he joined the Army aviation Reserves and in January, 1923 spent three months at McCook Field, Dayton, Ohio taking a course in engine and plane maintenance. In 1924 he became governor of the National Aeronautic Association for the State of Vermont. He continued his Reserve status as a Lieutenant until 1932, when he was promoted to Captain.



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