

Cleanness of design and workmanship, the effectiveness of the cowlings, and streamlining, have effected an efficiency which is responsible for very good performance characteristics of this machine.

The plane now produced is an eight-place job, designed for transport use, but the makers point out the fact that the design is elastic and may be applied to larger or smaller construction without material loss of efficiency.

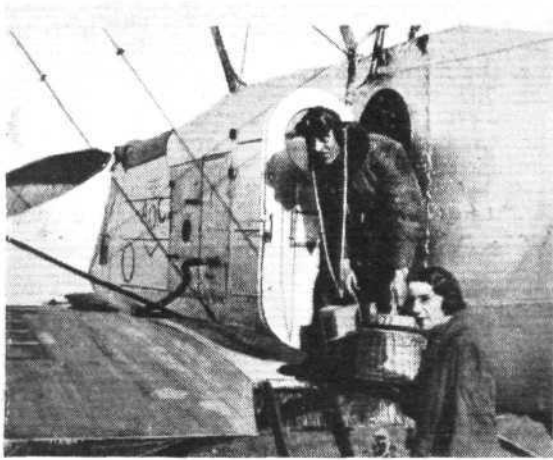
The designer, Mr. George H. Prudden, has long been identified with the development of all-metal multi-motored aircraft, and to him has been accredited much of the advancement in

that branch of the industry, having formerly been associated with Mr. William B. Stout during the development of the Stout metal aircraft. He may well be pleased with his latest accomplishment.

The sales activities of the company are under the direction of Mr. Edward Whitehead, who was formerly connected with a General Electric merchandising organization, and also headed a larger real estate development on the Pacific coast. Mr. Whitehead served with credit throughout the late world war, seeing active service on both the western and Italian fronts with the air forces.



"SNAPSHOTS FROM SOUTH AFRICA"

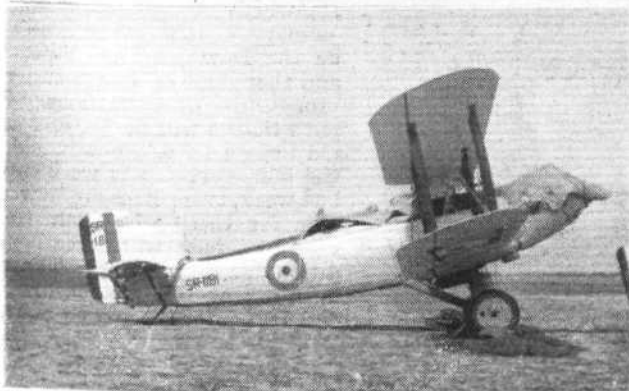
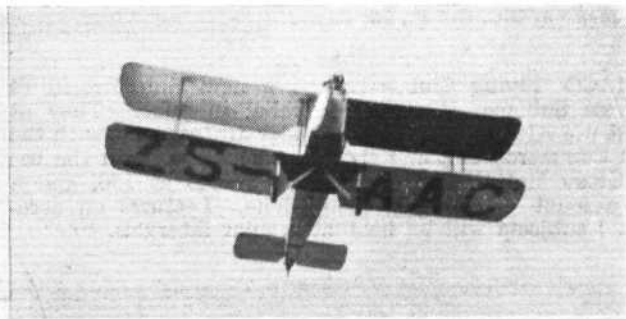


A SOUTH AFRICAN reader of FLIGHT, Mr. G. M. Sargeant, Jun., has sent us the accompanying snapshots depicting a few aviation events happening in that part of the world during the past few years, which, we think may be of interest. The first shows Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Butler deplaning from their Gloster "Survey" machine at Wynbird Aerodrome, Cape Town, on their arrival there last April. The Gloster AS.31 machine, G-AADO, fitted with two Bristol "Jupiter" engines, it will be remembered, was flown out

Universal" monoplane (Pratt & Whitney "Wasp" engine), used on the Union Airways Cape Town-Johannesburg air mail service.

Below this picture (centre, right) is the Cape Town Flying Club's first Avro "Avian," which was presented to them by the "Shell" Co. Our reader writes that this club has had to close down as it was unable to pay its way without a Government subsidy.

Next, bottom left, we have one of the Fairey "III F"



from England by Mr. and Mrs. Butler for the important survey work which the Aircraft Operating Co. had undertaken to carry out in Rhodesia. This machine is also shown, in the second snap on the left, about to leave Cape Town for the scene of operations.

The top right-hand picture shows the Fokker "Super-

(Napier "Lion") bombers of the R.A.F. Cairo-Cape flight (1929), at Cape Town. This actual machine crashed on the return flight.

The last picture is the late Mr. Van Lear Black's Fokker F.VII.3m., G-AADZ, snapped at Cape Town when he flew there in 1929.