

AERO CLUB OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

OFFICIAL NOTICES TO MEMBERS.

Committee Meeting.

A MEETING of the Committee was held on Tuesday, the 7th inst., when there were present: Mr. Roger W. Wallace, K.C., in the chair, Mr. Ernest C. Bucknall, Mr. Martin Dale, the Earl of Hardwicke, Professor A. K. Huntington, Mr. V. Ker-Seymer, Mr. F. K. McClean, Mr. C. F. Pollock, Hon. C. S. Rolls, Mr. J. Lyons Sampson, Mr. Stanley Spooner, and Joint Secretaries, Capt. E. Claremont, R.N., and Harold E. Perrin.

New Members.—The following new Members were elected:—

John Allen.	Rev. John Robert James.
Hugh Andrews, D.L., J.P.	Cedric Lee.
Major George Baillie.	Gerald Noel Cornwallis Mann.
G. H. Baillie.	A. Marsden.
Jacques Balsan.	James Melling.
J. J. Blow.	A. E. Morgan.
H. Percy Boulnois.	A. S. Morrison.
James A. Bradshaw.	James R. Nisbet.
Percy Gladstone Burnham.	Gavin W. Ralston.
J. V. Burn-Murdoch.	Blethyn T. Rees.
Capt. D. W. A. Campbell.	Charles E. Sheppard.
Malcolm Campbell.	A. Chatterton Sim.
E. Russell Clarke.	Capt. P. W. L. Broke Smith,
T. R. Hague Cook.	R. E.
Col. J. W. Cowley, I.A.	J. E. Spagnoletti.
J. Cundell.	Henry Burton Tate.
Montague Dixon.	Sidney Tebbutt.
Dr. P. T. Duncan.	Edmund Townsend.
G. K. B. Elphinstone.	Robert Barlow Tyler.
Allan Campbell Ferguson.	Maj. Henry Percy Uniacke.
Lieut.-Commander W. F. S.	M. Volk.
Fordes.	John Waddington, J.P.
S. E. Garcke.	H. E. Warner.
C. Gurney Grime.	Miss Fanny Wormald.
Hamilton Hobson.	

New Premises.

The Committee have acquired new premises at 166, Piccadilly. A large reading and writing room will be set apart entirely for the Members. They will be ready for occupation on January 1st next.

Aero Exhibition at Olympia.

The Society of Motor Manufacturers have decided to organise an Aero Exhibition under the auspices of the Aero Club of the United Kingdom, to be held at Olympia in March next. Members wishing to exhibit full-sized aeroplanes are requested to communicate with the Aero Club as soon as possible.



PROGRESS OF FLIGHT ABOUT THE COUNTRY.

(NOTE.—Addresses, temporary or permanent, follow in each case the names of the clubs, where communications of our readers can be addressed direct to the Secretary.)

To Club Secretaries.

IN order to cope with the rapidly increasing circulation of FLIGHT, it has become necessary to go to press earlier, and we would ask Club Secretaries in future to see that the notes regarding their Clubs reach the Editor of FLIGHT, 44, St. Martin's Lane, London, W.C., by 12 noon on Wednesday at latest.

An Aero Club for Scarborough.

ON Wednesday evening, the 1st inst., Mr. Ethelbert Castlehouse gave an interesting lecture before the members of the Scarborough and District Motor Club, entitled "The Conquest of the Air," illustrated by lantern slides. He brought the lecture to a close with a description and six slides of the gliding experiments which Mr. J. W. F. Tranmer and he had recently made.

An interesting collection of fittings for a biplane was lent by Mr. Tranmer; also many little accessories for models were on view.

Mr. Jno. W. Cooper, in proposing a vote of thanks to the lecturer, suggested that the Club should form an aero section. With this end in view, anyone in Scarborough interested in aviation is asked to communicate with the Secretary of the Motor Club or with Mr. J. E. Reed, 31, Elmville Avenue, Scarborough.

Scottish Aeronautical Society (185, HOPE STREET, GLASGOW).

At the recent general meeting of this Society the following office-bearers were appointed, including hon. president, the Duke of Argyll; hon. vice-presidents, Lord Elphinstone, the Earl of Kintore, Lord Provost McInnes Shaw, and Mr. Harold

It is also proposed to organise an exhibit of model flying machines. Those desirous of exhibiting are requested to make application to the Aero Club. Free space will be given to model exhibitors, and prizes will be awarded, particulars of which will be announced later.

Doncaster Aviation Meeting.

The following letter has been received from M. Molon, one of the aviators who competed at Doncaster:—

"29th November, 1909.

"SIR,—The Aero Club de France has forwarded me a copy of your letter, which you have addressed to them, remitting one month of the suspension passed on me for having assisted at the meeting at Doncaster. Please accept my assurance that I will in future abide by the rules of the Federation, and I regret extremely that I was forced to fly at Doncaster, as M. Delagrangé had engaged me to do so.

"With my most sincere thanks,

"Believe me, dear Sir,
(Signed) "LEON MOLON."

Annual Dinner.

The annual dinner will take place at the Whitehall Rooms, Hotel Metropole, Northumberland Avenue, London, W.C., on Wednesday, December 15th, 1909, at 7.30 for 8 o'clock. In order to facilitate the arrangements, members are requested to make early application for tickets, and at the same time send the names of their guests, if any. Tickets, inclusive of wines, £1 7s. 6d. Members may be accompanied by ladies.

His Grace the Duke of Argyll has kindly promised to take the chair.

The dinner will be followed by a musical programme. Amongst others, the following well-known artistes will assist: Miss Nadia Sylva, Miss Mavis Clare, Miss Helen Mar, Mr. Frank Haskoll, Mr. Aubrey Standing, Mr. Maurice Farkoa and Mr. Charles Hawtrey.

Membership.

Forty-seven new Members were elected to the Aero Club on Tuesday last, and the 1,000 Founder Members are now nearly complete. The Committee will consider the question of an entrance fee and increased subscription as soon as this number is reached.

E. CLAREMONT, CAPT. R.N.,
HAROLD E. PERRIN,

Joint Secretaries.

The Aero Club of the United Kingdom,
166, Piccadilly, W.

Harmsworth; president, Professor Barr. The list of vice-presidents includes Professor Biles, Professor T. Hudson Beare, Mr. Archibald Denny, and Mr. Hugh Reid. The following were elected to serve as the committee: Messrs. George P. Currie, James Gray, B.Sc., Philip L. O. Guy, R. W. Hogarth, J. R. K. Law, John MacGill, William MacNab, R. R. Speirs, Charles J. Waldie, Edward V. A. Willeit, and Robert Guy. Mr. Walter G. Duncan is honorary secretary.

Yorkshire Aero Club (63, ALBION STREET, LEEDS).

ON the 3rd inst. Dr. Vaughan Bateson, of Bradford, lectured before the club on "The Conquest of the Air." The Chair was taken by Professor J. Goodman, who, introducing Dr. Bateson, said he was well-known as a traveller in Thibet and other parts of the world. He was a practical balloonist, and had studied closely the more modern aeroplane developments. In his lecture, Dr. Bateson reviewed the course of man's efforts to achieve flight, and concluded by saying that progress up to the present time could be summed up as the advancing subjection of the forces of nature to man's uses. It was now possible for man to ride the air, and such an achievement was a new note in the great song of human triumph. Just as the last century dawned with the power of steam only just realised and the uses of electricity little dreamed of, so did the twentieth century open with a vista of new wonders. He believed that most of these present would live to see the time when the mails would arrive from America, having crossed the Atlantic within the day.