

LOW HEAD RESISTANCE—STYLE ONE : Herr Wilhelm Benz, pilot of the "Meiningen," looks well protected by the cello streamlining of his sailplane at the Wasserkuppe.

FOR THE FASTIDIOUS PRIVATE OWNER

The new "Monospar" machine described in FLIGHT for April 22 must be one of the most luxurious, sensible, and safe, private owner's machines at present being manufactured. The latest of this type was delivered to Mr. Maurice Jackaman at about 5 p.m. on Friday, August 12, having made its first flight test and received its C. of A. all on that day. Mr. Jackaman, who was in camp with No. 601 Squadron A.A.F. at Lympne, immediately flew the machine down there and did some night flying the same evening. As is usual with Mr. Jackaman's machines it is superbly finished and has much in the way of special equipment including all the standard range of Smiths' instruments, Reid & Sigrist Pitch and Turn Indicators, an Air Log and a very complete electrical equipment by Rotax including a large dipping and swivelling Vickers head lamp with a Phillips bulb. Mr. Jackaman tells us that he has already made landings by night with the aid of this lamp and finds it excellent for the purpose. The engine instruments, which are placed on each engine cowling, are illuminated for night flying by means of a small lamp placed behind a tiny square window in each side of the fuselage. With its excellent take-off, high top speed and ability to fly on one engine, Mr. Jackaman's "Peridot V" will undoubtedly be the envy of private owners, not only in this country, but throughout the world.

CINQUE PORTS FLYING CLUB

Mr. K. K. Brown, the club's instructor, has been working very hard during the past week and, during the 25 hours' instruction which he put in, he passed out Messrs. Langdon, Dodson, and Hall Caine for their "A" licences. The Folkestone Aero Trophy Race takes place on August 25 and so far fifteen entries have been received including such diverse machines as an "Autogiro" and a Gipsy III "Comper Swift." A very keen race is looked forward to and no doubt the finish will be a spectacular one as the handicapping is in the hands of Messrs. Rowarth and Dancy. On September 3 and 4 the Club is holding a public flying meeting, it being hoped to secure R.A.F. co-operation for the first day, while on the second day many foreign pilots who are visiting England as guests of British private owners will be arriving at about 2.30 p.m. The aerodrome has been enlivened greatly during the past fortnight by the presence of No. 601 (County of London) (Bomber) Squadron Auxiliary Air Force who

have been in camp there for their annual period of training. On Thursday last week H.R.H. the Prince of Wales flew to Paris and 601 had the honour of escorting him until the flying boats took over for the cross-channel trip. Night flying will be recommenced this week as the club machine G-AABJ has now been fitted with wing tip flares in accordance with Air Ministry Notice to Airmen No. 12 of 1932.

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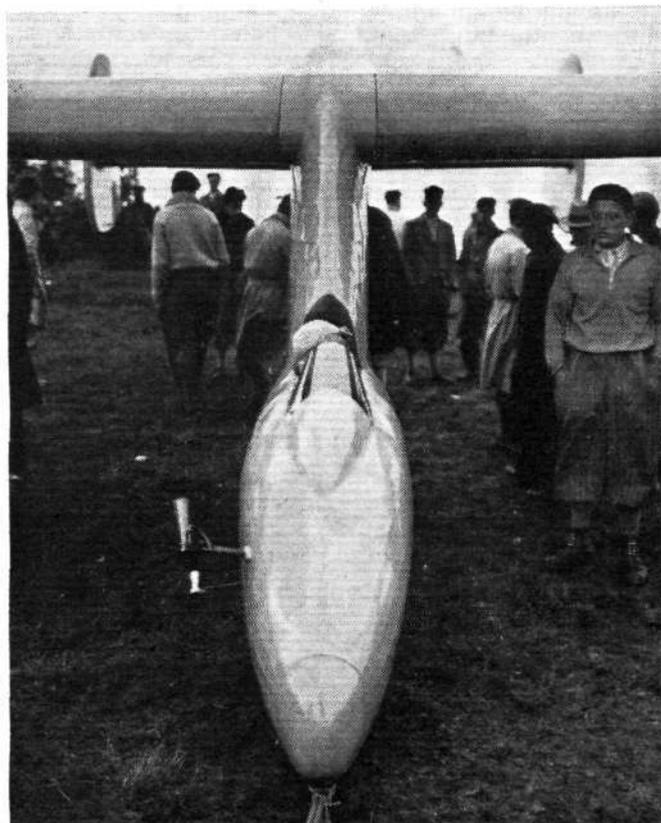
The fine weather has naturally increased the number of flying hours very considerably at Hanworth and many pupils are now nearly ready for both their "A" and "B" licence tests. Quite a large number of taxi work and cross country flights have been done recently and Flt. Lt. J. B. Wilson, who has now joined the staff again after his sojourn in Gibraltar, has been to places as far apart as Burnham and Peshurst during the past week. Night flying was carried out until the early hours on Wednesday night, while among those who have made their first solo flights are Mr. Walters and Mr. Llewelyn and those who have taken their "A" or "B" licence tests are Lt. Mayers and Mr. Hill.

AT GATWICK

Three machines from the Surrey Aero Club were unfortunate in the weather they met in the Channel on Monday, August 15, when they set out to attend the meeting being held by the Aero Club de Boulogne at St. Englevert and, after having to turn back from about midway, they altered their programme and paid a visit to both Lympne and Shoreham-by-Sea before returning to Gatwick. An increasing number of members is now joining this attractive country club since it has been re-organised under the management of Redwing Aircraft, Ltd., and being within easy reach of London many are finding it an extremely pleasant place at which to spend the week-end.

MEMORIAL TO OTTO LILIENTHAL

A monument to Otto Lilienthal, the German glider pioneer, was inaugurated on August 10 at East Lichterfelde, Berlin, on the mound from which Lilienthal made the gliding flights on one of which he was killed 36 years ago.



LOW HEAD RESISTANCE—STYLE TWO : Herr Robert Kronfeld believes in a blunter nosed fuselage than the "Meiningen" as can be seen from this unusual view of his "Austria" taken shortly before his accident at the Wasserkuppe.