

# THE FOUR WINDS

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL QUARTERS



**THE CONDOR IN BEING:** A few weeks ago there was published on this page a composite picture showing a model of the Focke Wulf Condor four-engined transport. The machine is now flying and its fine lines are apparent here.

**RUDY KLING** and Frank Haines, the American racing pilots, were killed at Miami a few days ago when they crashed 150 yards apart.

The American State Department has authorised American Zeppelin Transport Inc. to export 17,900,000 cubic feet of helium to Germany for use in the LZ-130.

The R.Ae.S. Students' Section lecture on "Control Surface Design," which was to have been given by Mr. A. F. Walsh on December 21, has been postponed.

The Air League of the British Empire is now at a new address—Maxwell House, Arundel Street, Strand, London, W.C.2 (Temple Bar 7058-9).

Signor Mussolini completed 51½ hours' flying as the pilot of his own machine during the year ended October 28. His longest flight lasted 3 hr. 10 min.

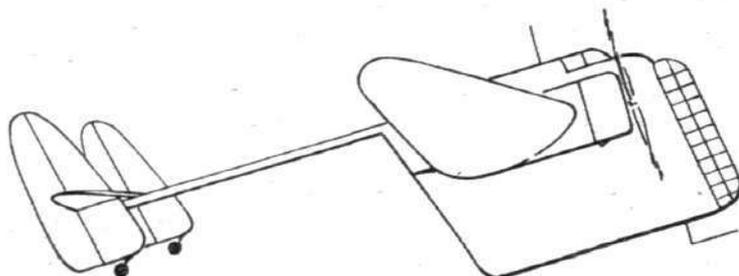
Christened *Atlantic Clipper* and *South Seas Clipper*, the first two of six 72-passenger Boeing flying boats are now in an advanced stage of construction. The fuel tanks hold 4,200 gallons, giving a range of something like 5,000 miles with reduced payload.

Italy has improved on one of her own records and broken another. First a Savoia S.79 took off from Guidonia and completed 1,000 and 2,000 km. with a 2,000 kg. load. The former distance was covered in 2 hr. 15 min. 6 sec., averaging 444.115 km./hr., thus improving the previous figure by 13.493 km./hr. Owing to poor visibility the 2,000 km. attempt was abandoned.

The second record was established by another S.79, but fitted with three Alfa-Romeo 126s instead of Piaggios. This was over the same circuit of 1,000 km. but with a load of 5,000 kg. The time was 2 hr. 29 min. 16 sec., and the speed 401.965 km./hr., easily beats Curvale's record (France) of 317.013 km./hr.

## THE UNKIND UNTRUTH

(With apologies in all directions)



No. 10: The H.P. Hamper.

Mrs. Betty Kirby-Green, who accompanied F/O. A. E. Clouston on the recent record-breaking flight to the Cape and return, has written to the Royal Aero Club protesting against its refusal to record her name as co-pilot.

Major Giovanni De Briganti, war-time ace, test pilot and the winner of the Schneider Trophy race in 1921, crashed in Italy recently and was killed. For a long time Major De Briganti was with the Macchi concern.

An aeronautical class has been formed at Leith Technical College, Scotland. The instructors are Messrs. A. D. Ferguson and J. G. Gunn, both associates of the R.Ae.S. and retired officers of the R.A.F. A workshop-instruction aircraft has been presented to the college by the Air Ministry.

**NATIONS AT THE FOUNTAIN:** A Yugoslav Autogiro (Genet Major), a Portuguese 626 comprehensive trainer (Cheetah) and an Irish Anson reconnaissance machine (two Cheetahs) in a "feeding time" scene at Woodford, Avro's Manchester aerodrome. The Anson is fitted with flaps. (Flight photograph.)

A few world's record for speed over 100 km. (62½ miles) has been set up by the Italian Furio Niclot with a figure of 343.52 m.p.h. Niclot held the former record in a Breda 88 with 323 m.p.h.

