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WILD WAVE WEEK END

There were nine sailplanes on hand, including a rental 1-23H-15, for the first week-end (October 8-9) of the Mt. Washington Wave Camp in New Hampshire. Classical wave conditions existed and numerous flights above 20,000 ft., and two above 23,000 ft., were made, thereby earning the first eastern Lennie pins. In all four Diamond-altitude and six Gold-altitude gains were made for awards, plus a number of other similar gains by pilots who already had the awards. On the debit side was the loss of a K-6 which, after spinning out of a low turn (on approach to a landing in a parking lot), shredded down through some tall trees. The pod stopped just short of the ground and the pilot was unhurt.

The airport which served as base of operations is 18 miles from Mt. Washington at an elevation of 600 ft. Towing was done by Allan Mac-Nichol, the organizer of the camp, in an L-19. On the first day of the week-end Allan spent the entire day in the cockpit of the tow ship, making 16 tows averaging half an hour apiece. To him must go much of the credit for the camp's success.

RECORD NEWS

Two new world soaring records are confirmed in the latest list of aviation records published by the FAI. These are both feminine single-place records, both claimed by Yvonne Leeman of South Africa who used the BJ-2 sailplane on the flights. The first is a 100-km. triangle record of 68.47 m.p.h. made on January 4th, 1966; the other a 300-km. triangle record of 65.98 m.p.h. made ten days later.

Another outstanding world record, in the feminine category, is being claimed by Tamara Zaiganova of the U.S.S.R. Her flight, made on September 5th in an A-15, was to a goal, the distance being 450.49 miles.

Nearer home we have a new Canadian goal record established by Mr. Charles M. Yeates who, on August 13th of this year, flew his Standard Austria from Rockland, Ontario, to Fall River, Mass. (with a turnpoint at Morrisville-Stowe Airport in Vermont), a distance of 355 miles. Meanwhile the U.S. two-place record of 409.84 miles of Ed Minghelli, reported on page three of the August issue of *Soaring*, has been approved by the NAA.

Long Soaring Flights

Information received by SSA indicates that the following soaring flights of over 150 miles have been made recently.

FLIGHTS IN EXCESS OF 350 MILES

Sept. 16; Elemer Katinsky; 355 mi.; from Pearblossom to Rice, Calif., and return; Libelle; 5:19 hr.; to earn Diamond distance and complete Diamond badge.

FLIGHTS BETWEEN 250-350 MILES

June 11; Charlie Yeates; 250 mi.; from Pendleton, Ont., to Elmira, N.Y.; Austria.

Aug. 13; Clarence See, Jr.; 285 mi.; from Weedsport, N.Y., to Providence, R.I.; Dart 17R; 7:20 hr.; Dia. dist. attempt.

Aug. 17; James Long; 284 mi.; from Guthrie, Okla., to Hanover, Kansas; 1-26; 7:00 hr.; Dia. dist. attempt.

Sept. 4; Kurt Horn; 326 mi.; from El Mirage, Calif., to Sloan, Nev., and return; Prue Std.; 7:12 hr.; to earn Dia. dist.

FLIGHTS BETWEEN 150-250 MILES

May 4; Stephen duPont; 182 mi.; from Wurtsboro, N.Y., to Hershey, Pa., via Duncannon, Pa.; SH-1; 7:30 hr.; try for Dia. dist. out and return.

Aug. 24; Wallace Brown; 188 mi.; from Lawrenceville to Carlyle, Ill., and return (almost); Cherokee II; 7:25 hr.; to claim Gold dist.

Aug. 28; Joseph Burke; 207 mi.; from Alton to Joliet, Ill.; Austria SH; 5:37 hr.; to earn Gold dist.

Sept. 4; Al Owens; 170 mi.; from Pearblossom, Calif., to Jean, Nevada; 1-26; try for Gold dist.

Sept. 4; James Lang; 200 mi.; from El Mirage to 29 Palms, Calif., and return; BG-12L; 6:05 hr.; to earn Dia. goal, Gold dist. and complete Gold badge.

Sept. 5; Lachlan Ohman; 195 mi.; from Bryan, to Salem, Ohio; K-7; 4:30 hr.; to earn Dia. goal, Gold dist. and complete Gold badge.

Sept. 5; Kenneth Briegleb; 194 mi.; from El Mirage to Twentynine Palms, Calif., and return, BG-12B; 5:00 hr.; to earn Dia. goal, Gold dist. and complete Gold badge.

Sept. 10; William Reeder; 191 mi.; from Pearblossom, Calif., to Las Vegas, Nev.; K-6CR; 5:49 hr.; to earn Dia. goal, Gold alt. and dist. and complete Gold badge.

Sept. 10; Harry Bochow; 200 mi.; from El Mirage Field, Calif., to Dry Lake, Nev.; BG-12BR; to earn Dia. goal, Gold dist. and complete Gold badge.

Sept. 23; Robert Pflieger; 192 mi.; from Richmond, Ind., to Charleston, W. Va.; 1-26; 45.5 mph; Dia. goal attempt (7 mi. short).

Sept. 23; Calvin Slover; 193 mi.; from Pearblossom, Calif., to Las Vegas, Nev.; Austria S; 5:02 hr.; to earn Dia. goal, Gold dist. and complete Gold badge.

Sept. 24; Frederik Nieuwenhuijs; 197 mi.; from El Mirage, Calif., to Dry Lake, Nev.; BG-12B; 5:10 hr. (3:40 hr. to arrival at goal); to earn Dia. goal, Gold dist. and complete Gold badge.

HORS DE CONCOURS

Sept. 25, 26, 29; Steve and Lex duPont; 814 mi. in 9 hops; from West Bend, Wis., to Middletown, Del.; singleplace Motorspatz powered sailplane; 13:39 hr.; 59.5 mph; 18.9 gal. fuel; 43 mpg.