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MECHANIC'S MEETING

The mechanic's meeting, held last Saturday was without doubt of great benefit to all of us. However, there is always the danger of many good ideas which are discussed at meetings going to waste because they are soon forgotten and are never really carried out. To prevent this waste, let me summarize what we decided to do.

1. It was suggested that we install a different system of making charges for parts used on jobs in order to prevent the loss due to parts which someone failed to charge or which were charged to the wrong job.

2. We agreed to make a standard form for 20-hour checks, and only list in addition to this standard form work which had to be done besides the 20-hour check to make the engine or aircraft airworthy.

3. We decided to make the Form 319 serve as a work sheet. To do this, it will be necessary to enter all work done during the 100-hour check on this form.

4. Form 337 will serve as a work sheet on all major repairs and overhauls.

5. It was agreed that Mr. Brown will be in charge of all papers for the jobs in the shop. To help him, it is necessary for all personnel authorized to receive jobs to demand from the person bringing in the airplane for repairs the logbooks, Form 309, the registration and the airworthiness certificates. If any of these papers are not available, Mr. Ponish should be notified at once.

6. Suitable lockers of some sort should be provided in the aircraft and engine shops for special shop tools. Because there is no definite place to keep such tools, they are usually left where they were last used. This is a careless waste which causes rapid depreciation of shop equipment and thereby increases the shop overhead.

Let us not forget these ideas, but exert our utmost effort to make them actually work.

PERSONALS

Miss Nell Adams has returned from her vacation in New York, but Major and Brownie are still waiting for the refreshments.

Mr. Parker Morris will be on leave of absence starting September 1, 1945. We will miss him and we are hoping he will be back with us soon.

Mr. James Koontz is a new member of the P.A. family. He is working with the line crew. Give him all the help you can.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All licensed mechanics will meet in Mr. Ponish's office Tuesday, September 4, at 4:30 P.M.

There will be a holiday Labor Day, Monday, September 3rd.

Anybody interested in BASEBALL see Tom Davis for tickets to the Winston-Salem--Greensboro game Saturday night. The beauty queen will be there!

AVIATION VOCABULARY

Under this heading we will give you with every edition of this paper four words used in aviation. Look up the meaning of these words and above all memorize the spelling of them.

Clevis	Plywood
Veneer	Laminated Wood

The correct meaning of these words will be given in the next issue of P.A. News.

WEIGHT AND BALANCE

by F. H. Ponish

For a long time I have wanted to give a course to our mechanics on the subject of "Weight and Balance." P.A. News gives me an opportunity to do this in the form of a correspondence course. I will try to make the subject matter as