## **HANNAN'S HANGAR**

BY BILL HANNAN

"Modeling is an art. The drafting board is its brush, the workbench its paint, and the sky its canvas."



Really big! At the time of this photo, Ian Turney-White, of England, had logged 12 flights on his 1/2-size, 16-foot span RC Avro triplane Mk.4. We'd love to see some footage of this one in action.

Our quotation this month, by Ken Sykora, was found in the brand new, hot-off-the-press Oldtimer Model Supply Catalog. Illustrated by Otto Kuhni and Mik Mikkelson, this fun-to-read booklet features an amazing variety of offerings, including model construction plans (scale and non-scale) and building materials such as balsa, bamboo, Japanese tissue, condenser paper, propeller blanks, turned balsa wheels, colored

nitrate dope and much more. Ken refers to his mail-order company as a "1930s model shop," and that describes it quite well. You can obtain a copy of his catalog by sending \$2.00 to Oldtimer Model Supply, Box 7334, Van Nuys, CA 91409.

## VINTAGE THINKING

Interest in older aircraft seems to be increasing, judging by the photographs we receive. Doubtless the insatiable appetite for anything nostalgic has something to do with it; however, the fact that early aircraft were practically overgrown models, with similar construction, may also be a contributing factor. Duplicating spruce and fabric with sticks and tissue is much more logical than attempting to simulate formed sheet aluminum with balsa wood!

Our photo subjects encompass aviation history from the pioneer times through World War One and into the Golden Age, and cover the model size spectrum from tiny to huge. There is a special character to vintage aircraft which sets them apart from more modern "heavy metal" subjects, and it can be

satisfying to resurrect these oldies and put them back into the air. As model designer Roy L. Clough Jr. so aptly put it: "You can have one foot in the past and one foot in the present."

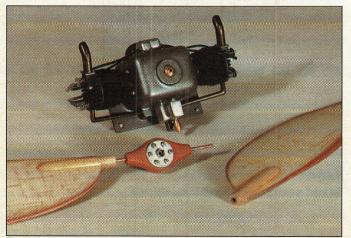
## MORE FEMALE MAIL

Approving letters regarding our women-in-modeling features continue to arrive, and we'd like to share the following extracts: "...What a great thing you are doing, giving credit to the distaff participants in our hobby. Of course, I'm partial to members of our Cactus Squadron, Jane Schlosberg and Glenna Tarango, but it doesn't stop there. . . you might consider mentioning Ann Eckerson. .. while active, she headed the New Mexico Free Flyers Club, and was responsible for introducing several young people to model building. A very nice lady!" Dick Howard, Arizona.

"My wife is the one who got me back into building Peanuts." James Miller, Hong Kong.

## NO WOMEN IN THE WIND

John Garrett, of Costa Mesa, California, sent in a copy of the



Beautifully constructed dummy ABC Scorpion engine and adjustable-pitch propeller, ready to mount on Tom Hallman's rubber-powered Jumbo Scale 1929 Henderson-Glenny Gadfly.