

MINUTES OF TERRITORIAL AERONAUTICAL COMMISSION MEETING
HELD AT THE HONOLULU ARMORY ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON,
JULY 14, 1927, AT 2:30 P. M.

PRESENT:

Colonel P. M. Smoot, Chairman
Mr. Will C. Crawford
Mr. Herbert F. Cullen
Mr. Leo G. Fehlman
Mr. A. W. Van Valkenburg

ABSENT:

None

The following motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded and un-
animously carried: "That the reading of the minutes of the previous
meeting be waived".

The Chairman informed the Commission that the first item under
"Old Business" was the consideration of regulations to be promulgated by
this Commission.

The following motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded and u-
nanimously carried: "That (a) Inter-island traffic under "Equipment",
Sec. 1, Regulations of this Commission, be changed to read as follows:
'All inter-island flights within the Territory shall be construed as
flying over large bodies of water as defined in Air Commerce Regulations,
Department of Commerce, and all aircraft shall therefore be equipped
with an operating compass and suitable charts or maps of the Territory
of Hawaii and such other equipment and supplies as required by Air Com-
merce Regulations, Department of Commerce'.

The following motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded and u-
nanimously carried: "That (a) Carrying prohibited under "Explosives",
Sec. 2, Regulations of this Commission, be changed to read as follows:
'The transporting of any explosives other than the necessary shells for
signalling apparatus; fuel for such aircraft while in flight; and materi-
als for industrial and agricultural spraying (dusting) is prohibited,
except upon explicit authority obtained from this Commission'.

The following motion was made by Mr. Van Valkenburg, seconded
and unanimously carried: "That (a) No flying over certain fortifications,
under "Restricted Areas", Sec. 3, Regulations of this Commission, be
changed to read as follows: 'Private and commercial aircraft are pro-
hibited from flying over or crossing any part thereof, of the following
described areas except it is necessary to fly across any such prohibited
area in order to make either a safe landing or safe take-off:

(1) Diamond Head and a circular area of a radius of 1,000
yards from the rim of the crater of Diamond Head and extending perpendicu-
lar in the air thereabove.

(2) The fortifications, naval station, and waters of Pearl
Harbor, including Fort Kamehameha and Fort Weaver and the area thereabouts
from a point $\frac{1}{2}$ mile due south of Ahua Point; to a point $1 \frac{1}{10}$ miles due
north; to a point $\frac{1}{2}$ mile due west; to the town of Aiea four miles due
north; thence a line in a general westerly direction to the village of
Kalauao; thence to the village of Waiau; thence to the village of Pearl
City; thence round the northern boundary of the Middle Loch of Pearl Har-
bor to the village of Waipio; thence following the coast line of the West
Loch of Pearl Harbor to its junction on its southern shore with the 158th
meridian; thence to a point $3 \frac{1}{2}$ miles due south; thence due east five miles

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to a point $\frac{1}{2}$ mile due south of Anua Point; and extending perpendicular in the air thereabove. Map showing these restricted areas is open to inspection in the office of this Commission'.

The following motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded and un-
nanimously carried: "That Sec. 4, Landing Fields, Regulations of this
Commission, be changed to read as follows: '(a) Use of airports and
landing fields. Territorially owned, leased or operated airports and
landing fields are for use by all licensed aeronauts and aircraft. (b)
No buildings, structures or construction work of any type shall be placed
upon a landing field or airport unless their erection has been approved
by the Commission. Applications for the erection of hangers, shops, ser-
vice facilities, etc. must be addressed to the Territorial Aeronautical
Commission, Honolulu Armory. The use of all landing fields, airports,
etc. is contingent upon the compliance with rules and regulations of this
Commission; the orders of its members, caretakers, janitors, watchmen
and other employees'.

The following motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded and un-
nanimously carried: "That Sec. 5, Aero photography, Regulations of
this Commission, be changed to read as follows: '(a) No cameras, sketch-
ing apparatus or instruments shall be carried or transported in any
aircraft, or be permitted or allowed to be taken by any person or persons
in any aircraft, nor pictures, photographs or sketches of any kind or
nature whatsoever taken or made from aircraft while in motion or other-
wise over (or above) the Island of Oahu except as provided for in sub-
paragraph (b). (b) Persons desiring to make photographs, moving pictures
or sketches of any kind shall first obtain a license for such purpose
from this Commission. All negatives and one print of each sketch of
whatsoever nature, pictures, etc. must be submitted to this Commission
for inspection and approval before such pictures, sketches, etc. are re-
leased for distribution or publication. All such negatives, pictures
and sketches approved for release by this Commission shall bear a stamp
signifying that they have been inspected and approved. Under no cir-
cumstances shall any picture or sketch of any nature be made of any
military or naval fortifications'.

The following motion was made by Mr. Fehلمان, seconded and un-
nanimously carried: "Sec. 6, Penalty, Regulations of this Commission,
read as follows: 'Any person violating any rule or regulations duly
promulgated by this Commission shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon
conviction shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand
dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or
by both such fine and imprisonment'.

The suggestion of Mr. Crawford that copies of all proposed
regulations of this Commission as corrected be sent to the Attorney Gen-
eral for suggestions as to form and text and that after being corrected
they be sent to the Governor requesting his approval as required by
law, and that after such approval they be printed and published, met
the unanimous approval of the Commission.

Copies of "Airports and Intermediate Fields", Information
Bulletin No. 5, Department of Commerce, Aeronautics Branch, were dis-
tributed to each member and copy placed on file.

A letter to the Governor of Hawaii dated July 9, 1927 request-
ing that the Governor authorize the Superintendent of Public Works to
proceed immediately on the clearing and grading of land at Paukukalo
(Wailuku) for the establishment of a landing field was read. No reply
to same has been received. 

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A communication to the Superintendent of Public Works dated June 29, 1927 requesting him to clear and grade land at Paukukalo (Wailuku) for the establishment of a landing field as the money appropriated for this work is in Act 257 to be expended under his authority, was read. No reply to same has been received. (V)

A letter to Mr. George Cruickshank, Kaeleku Sugar Company, Hana, Maui, dated June 30, 1927 requesting that gentleman to assist this Commission in securing a landing field in the vicinity of Hana was read. No reply to same has been received. (V)

An opinion of the Attorney General of Hawaii dated June 21, 1927 re the disposal of Hawaiian Home Lands was read and placed on file. (V)

The Chairman informed the Commission that he is awaiting the arrival of Mr. George Cooke of Molokai in order to discuss with that gentleman the possibility of landing fields on the Island of Molokai. (V)

The Land Commissioner's letter of June 25, 1927 stating that he will take prompt action to acquire a tract of land containing 54.4 acres at Hahaione, Lahaina, Maui, was read and placed on file. The Chairman then informed the Commission that the Commissioner of Public Lands is now on a vacation and that this fact will necessarily delay action on acquiring the desired land. The Chairman also informed the Commission that the Governor greatly favors this tract of land as a landing field. (V)

A communication from the Hawaiian Sugar Planters Association dated July 5, 1927 with reference to commercial agricultural flying was read and placed on file.

The Chairman stated that the necessary tools had been ordered for the work on the Hilo Airport and that fifteen or sixteen prisoners would leave Honolulu on July 15 to assist in the development of that airport. (V)

A communication from the Governor dated June 27, 1927 stating that he considers it appropriate for the Chairman to discuss in person with the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., the status of commercial aviation in the Territory of Hawaii was read and placed on file.

A copy of a wireless to Mr. Frank Baldwin requesting that Aviator Harvey Lemcke be allowed to land at Kanaha Ponds, Kahului, and favorable reply thereto dated July 1, 1927 were read and placed on file.

The Chairman discussed with the Commission his recent talk with 1st Lieutenant Robert J. Brown, Jr., U. S. A., local representative of the Department of Commerce, Aeronautics Branch. The Governor has written to the Department of Commerce requesting that Mr. Ralph R. Tinkham, Superintendent in Charge of United States Lighthouse Service, be appointed the local representative of the Department of Commerce, Aeronautics Branch.

A letter from Mr. A. T. Bottomley, President of the Pioneer Mill Company re the use of a tract of land known as "Hahaione, Lahaina, Maui" was read and placed on file. (V)

The Chairman explained that a meeting was not called on July 7 as requested by Mr. Van Valkenburg due to the fact that the Chairman would be unable to attend such meeting owing to pressure of National Guard business.

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It was unanimously agreed that official stationery of this Commission will be for use of only the Chairman.

A letter from Mr. Van Valkenburg dated July 6, 1927 re material for fill at John Rodgers Airport and letter to Governor on this subject dated July 8, 1927 were read.

The Chairman informed the Commission of a visit he had from Lieutenant Commander Hartwell C. Davis with reference to an executive order of the President dated September 23, 1912 restricting the flying over the waters of Pearl Harbor.

The suggestion of Mr. Crawford that the Attorney General of the Territory be requested to render an opinion as to whether the executive order of the President dated September 23, 1912 restricts flying over the waters of Pearl Harbor and that a copy of the executive order be forwarded to the U. S. District Attorney (Honolulu) for further consideration met with the unanimous approval of the Commission.

The following motion was made by Mr. Van Valkenburg, seconded and unanimously carried: "That Mr. Fehlman be appointed as Chairman and have the authority to appoint such additional members of this Commission as he may think desirable to act on a committee to investigate the possibility of additional airport sites on the Island of Oahu".

A letter from the Attorney General of Hawaii dated July 6, 1927 stating that the appropriation provided for in Act 257 of the Session Laws of 1927 may be drawn upon for the expense of hauling dredging material from the vicinity of the new Hilo Wharf to the Hilo Airport was read and placed on file.

The Chairman informed the Commission that Aviator Harvey Lemcke is leaving for the Mainland on July 15 with the view to participating in the Dole Flight and that he sent his Aloha to the Commission.

The following motion was made by Mr. Fehlman, seconded and unanimously carried: "That the Chairman with as many other members of the Commission as possible be present at Wheeler Field to welcome Ernest Smith and Emory Bronte, Oakland to Hawaii fliers, and to present them with leis purchased by the Commission."

The following motion was made by Mr. Crawford, seconded and unanimously carried: "That if the Smith-Bronte flight is successful that the Chairman order suitable medals to present to the fliers in the name of the Commission".

The following motion was made by Mr. Van Valkenburg, seconded and unanimously carried: "That the meeting adjourn to meet again at the call of the Chairman".

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 P. M.

P. M. Smoot,
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Colonel, A. G. D.,
Chairman.