

BLACK AND ORANGE COLORS FOR BUREAU OF AIR COMMERCE AIRPLANES

Ref: Air Commerce Bulletin, 15 July 1934, page 20.

Black and Galatea Orange have been adopted by the Bureau of Air Commerce, Department of Commerce, as the colors to be used on its official airplanes. Colors formerly used were maroon, international orange, black and aluminum.

Galatea orange is a brownish orange color. It is used for the wings, stabilizer and elevators of a Bureau airplane. The fuselage, fin, rudder, cowling, struts, and wheel pants (if any) are painted black. If the airplane is to have a stripe painted on the side of the fuselage this will be of Galatea orange*

These black and orange colors will be more easily discerned at a distance and will form a more distinctive scheme for identifying Department of Commerce craft than the combination previously used. Also, the new colors are less expensive and simpler to maintain, more easily matched, and will actually weigh less when spread on the surfaces of an airplane.

All new airplanes for delivery to the Air Commerce Bureau are to be painted according to these specifications, including the 25 light, low-powered airplanes for which bids were recently invited by Mr. Vidal. Airplanes in service will not be repainted until that becomes necessary as a matter of maintenance routine. (See photo on page 69)

35mm COLOR SLIDES OF AIRCRAFT

For those interested in the growing hobby of collecting 35mm color transparencies for projection, a new listing of slides for sale has just been announced.

Harry McIntyre, "Aircraft Photos For Hobbyists", Box 423, Ocean City, N.J., has a listing of 65 slides for-sale. These are 35 cents each, or 3 for \$1.00. The list consists primarily of current U.S. military aircraft, but a few foreign types are also included. For the WWI fans he offers #60 (front) and #61 (side) showing Frank Tallmans Sopwith Camel at the 1955 National Air Show.

GERMAN W-I & II PHOTOS

For those that may not know of this new source of black and white photos from Germany, it is suggested that you write for a catalog to: H. J. Nowarra, Berlin NW87, British Sector, Rostockerstr. 51, Germany. In addition a now mimeographed booklet listing W-I German aircraft production details, Aces etc., is now available for \$5.