

**THE OUTLOOK ON AVIATION: By the Asst. Editor.**

The Officers chosen for the Aero Club formed not long ago in Washington are as follows:- Truman H. Newbury, Secretary of the Navy, was elected President, Robert Shaw Oliver, Asst. Secretary of State was elected First Vice President, Thomas H. Page, Second Vice President, Butler Ames, Third Vice President; corresponding Secretary, Dr. Allerton Cushman, recording Secretary Dr. A. F. Zahn, Treas. Mr. Charles J. Bell.

Hichenfels, an architect of Minneapolis has a model of an aeroplane on which he has been working for five years. In appearance it resembles the "June Bug". The top plane is arched in the shape of a hood as the inventor believes that this form of structure will give the greatest lifting power.

W.R. Tinken a wealthy Canton Manufacturer is said to have offered to W.H. Martin Civil Engineer and Farmer a prize of \$100,000 if the latter can successfully negotiate the distance of a hundred miles in his aeroplane.

On Jan. 29 H. Zipfel who owns a Voisin biplane attempted to make a flight. He was unsuccessful, however, probably being due to the fact that his engine was not in good working order.

Aldershot, England, Jan. 20, 1909:- The aeroplane with which the balloon corps of the British Army is conducting experiments again came to grief here to-day.