

exhibitions. If it is your desire to enter the exhibition business we would be glad to take up the matter of a licence to offer it under our patents for that purpose.

Please give to Capt. Baldwin my best wishes for his success in the coming Government tests.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Orville Wright.

(Note:- The full correspondence with Mr. Orville Wright upon the above subject should, I think, be made known to all the members of the A.E.A. for it is obvious that we may expect to be brought into a law-suit with the Wright Bros., if we make any public exhibitions of our apparatus for gain without an arrangement with them. I do not know exactly the circumstances that led to the adoption of the moveable wing tips as I was in Washington at the time; but if, as I have reason to believe, their adoption was due to a suggestion of mine that moveable wing tips should be used, contained in a letter to Mr. Baldwin, I may say, that this suggestion was made without any knowledge upon my part of anything the Wright Brothers may have done. They had kept the details of construction of their machine secret; and I was ignorant of anything contained in their patent. I have no copy of their patent here, and do not therefore know whether their claim covers our wing tips or not. The matter should be enquired into by Messrs. Maure, Cameron, Lewis & Massie and reported upon by them. They are more competent than we are to determine this point. A.G.B.).