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to divide the Association, and carry on work at Hammondsport and Belm Shrough simultaneously, Messrs. Curtiss and Selfridge to remain in Hammondsport with Mr. McCurdy so as to give him there assistance in constructing his aerodrome, and Mr. Baldwin to proceed to Belm Shrough to give me his assistance with my tetrahedral structures. The two sections of the Association to be kept in touch with one another by the issuance of weekly Bulletins by the Chairman. This plan was adopted and the first Bulletin was issued July 15, 1900.

Lieut. Selfridge, however, did not remain very long at Hammondsport as he was ordered to Washington by the War Department. He was transferred to the Signal Corps of the Army and, on account of his expert knowledge of aviation he was made a member of the Aeronautical board of the Army. Thus one members of the Association became scattered. Selfridge was in Washington attending to his military duties; Curtiss and McCurdy were in Hammondsport engaged in the construction of McCurdy's aerodrome, and Baldwin and I were at Belm Shrough working upon tetrahedral structures. But though scattered we were kept in touch with one another through the Bulletins of the A.E.A. and were able to exchange ideas and carry on co-operative work even better than before. Before July 15, 1900, our most important discussions were by word of mouth and left no record behind. Since the establishment of the Bulletins communications between the scattered members have appeared in written form, so that the records of our work, although very imperfect, are more complete than before.