

APPENDIX II

"FLIGHT STRIPS"

THEIR DEVELOPMENT

FROM 1935 TO 1942

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GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS--LEGISLATION

- 1935 - U. S. Congress. Senate. Resolution to Investigate Certain Airplane Accidents and Interstate Air Commerce...74th Cong., 1st sess., S. Res. 146 (1935).

This resolution formed the basis for the "Copeland Committee" on Safety in Air, before which Colonel Stedman Shumway Hanks subsequently appeared to deliver statements regarding the safety value of "Flight Strips".

- 1937 - Massachusetts. Legislature. House. Report of the Special Commission Appointed by the Governor in 1935 to Promote and Coordinate the Commercial and Military Aeronautical Activities Within the Commonwealth. House Bill 1542 (1937). 28p.

Establishes the fact that Massachusetts, Michigan, Florida and thirty-four other states were then making preliminary surveys for "Flight Strips"; provides legal opinion relative to questions of procurement, location, responsibility, etc.

- U. S. Congress. Senate. Committee on Interstate Commerce. Air Safety Act, 1937, 75th Cong., 1st sess., S. Rept. 687 (1937). 3p.

This report, on safety in air transportation, is the first Congressional report calling attention, by implication, to the importance of "Flight Strips".

- 1938 - U. S. Congress. House. A Bill to Provide for the Construction and Operation by the Federal Government of a System of New...Highways... 75th Cong., 3d sess., H. R. 9666 (1938). 18p.

Specifically provides for the construction of auxiliary landing areas along the National Super-highway System.

- U. S. Congress. House. A Bill to Provide for the Location, Survey, and Building of a System of Three Transcontinental and Six North-South Highways. 75th Cong., 3d sess., H. R. 9389 (1938). 6p.

Provides for a system of airports in connection with such highways; see H. R. 9478, below.

- U. S. Congress. House. A Bill to Provide for the Subscription by Reconstruction Finance Corporation of the Stock of a Corporation Hereby Created to Finance Self-Liquidating Public Works Which Will Create Additional Facilities for National Defense, Aid in Air Navigation...75th Cong., 3d sess., H.R. 9478 (1938). 15p.

This bill is essentially similar in purpose to H.R. 9389, above, but provides for the construction and maintenance of "emergency air fields adjacent to said highways." (Emphasis is the compiler's)

- 1939 - Massachusetts. Legislature. House. An Act Providing for the Construction of an Aviation "Flight Strip"...House Bill 224 (1939). 2p.

Authorizes taking in fee by eminent domain a piece of land near Revere, Mass., for a "Flight Strip".

1939 - Massachusetts. Legislature. House. Journal of the House, Aug. 12, (cont'd) 1939. p. 2074-5.

Message from Governor Saltonstall requesting amendment to House bill 2298, below. The Journal of the Senate for the same date contains a similar request.

Massachusetts. Legislature. House. Resolve Providing for an Investigation and Study by a Joint Special Committee Relative to Certain Proposed Highway and Other Traffic Improvements..and Certain Related Matters. House Bill 2298 (1939). 13p.

Resolution favoring authorization of Department of Public Works to appropriate land in Revere, Mass., for a "Flight Strip".

1940 - U. S. Congress. An Act to Amend the Federal Aid (Road) Act...76th Cong., 3rd sess., Public 780 (1940). 5p.

Section 13 of the act authorizes the Commissioner of Public Roads, at the request of any State and in cooperation with the State Highway Department of that State, to investigate the location and development of "Flight Strips" adjacent to public highways.

1941 - U. S. Congress. An Act to Supplement the Federal Aid Road Act...77th Cong., 1st sess., Public 295 (1941). 7p.

Section 8 appropriates \$10,000,000, in addition to any other available funds, for the construction of "Flight Strips" under the authority of the Commissioner of Public Roads in cooperation with the Army Air Corps. Sections 14 and 17 deal, respectively, with the acquisition of rights-of-way and the detail of Army and Navy officers to work with the Public Roads Administration.

U. S. Congress. House. An Act Making Supplemental Appropriations for the National Defense...77th Cong., 1st sess., H.R. 6159 (1941). 5lp.

This act appropriates for the Public Roads Administration \$5,000,000, to remain available for the construction of "Flight Strips" for the duration of the emergency declared by the President on May 27, 1941.

U. S. Congress. House. A Bill to Supplement the Federal Aid Road Act ...77th Cong., 1st sess., H. R. 4935 (1941). 1lp.

Section 4 authorizes the Commissioner of Public Roads to provide, by contract or otherwise, for the location and development of "Flight Strips" adjacent to public highways, and appropriates such sums as may be necessary for carrying out these purposes.

U. S. Congress. House. A Bill to Supplement the Federal Aid Road Act ...77th Cong., 1st sess., H. R. 5110 (1941). 12p.

This bill authorizes, in Section 4, the Commissioner of Public Roads to use Federal funds in the provision of studies and construction of experimental "Flight Strips".

U. S. Congress. House. Committee on Appropriations. Hearings, 77th Cong., 1st sess., on H.R. 6159 (1941). Part I (General Appropriations) 636p. p607-17.

Statements by Mr. T. H. MacDonald, Commissioner of the Public Roads Administration, and others relative to financing and construction of "Flight Strips".

1941 - U. S. Congress. House. Committee on Roads. Defense Highway Act of (cont'd) 1941, 77th Cong., 1st sess., H. Rept. 890 (1941). 10p.

Reports testimony of the Chief of the Air Corps and others at hearings, urging provision in the bill (H.R. 5110, above) for development of "Flight Strips".

U. S. Congress. House. Committee on Roads. Hearings, 77th Cong., 1st sess., on H.R. 4935 (1941). 261p. p. 11-22.

Statements by General G. H. Brett and Colonel Hanks; includes letter from Secretary of War H. L. Stimson to Governor R. O. Blood of New Hampshire, recommending construction of "Flight Strips" and mentioning War Department approval of the project.

U. S. Congress. Senate. An Act to Supplement the Federal Aid Road Act...77th Cong., 1st sess., S. 1580 (1941). 12p.

Section 4 of this bill authorizes the appropriation of "such sums as may be necessary" for the duration of the emergency for the construction of "Flight Strips".

U. S. Congress. Senate. Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads. Defense Highway Act of 1941, Hearings, 77th Cong., 1st sess., on S. 1580 (1941). 84p. p. 10-20.

Statements by General H. H. Arnold, Colonel Hanks, and Major R. E. Smyser on the necessity for "Flight Strip" design.

1942 - U. S. Congress. An Act making Supplemental Appropriations for the National Defense for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1943, and for other purposes...77th Cong., 2d sess., H. R. 7319 (1942). 20p.

This Act appropriates \$5,000,000 for the use of the Public Roads Administration in the construction of "Flight Strips", to be additional to the \$5,000,000 authorized in the Third Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act. 1942.

GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS--MISCELLANEOUS

1936 - Massachusetts. Committee for Aeronautics. Memorandum for General R. K. Hale--a member of the Special Committee on "Flight Strips" of the American Association of State Highway Officials. The Committee, 1936.

This defines term, "Flight Strips", outlines legal basis for them in various states; lists members of the committee to whom memo is addressed.

U. S. Congress. Senate. Commerce Committee. Statement of Colonel S. S. Hanks before Subcommittee on Safety in Air of the Commerce Committee of the U. S. Senate, Feb 11, 1936. Gov't. Print. Off., 1936.

Indicates uses and suggests specifications for "Flight Strips"; stresses use of "Flight Strips" in increasing safety of aircraft,

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and use of highway personnel and equipment in construction. Supplemented by copies of letters to Colonel Hanks from various Federal and State Officials expressing approval of the plan.

U. S. Department of Commerce. Business Advisory Council. Committee on Air Commerce Planning. Preliminary Report of the Committee on Air Commerce Planning to the Business Advisory Council of the Department of Commerce. Apr., 1936. processed.

A highly favorable report, stressing the importance of the development of "Flight Strips" as an aid to industry, coordination of roadway and airway transportation.

U. S. Public Roads Administration. Highway Improvement Policies--Federal, State, and local, an address by T. H. MacDonald, Chief, U. S. Bureau of Public Roads, to U. S. Chamber of Commerce, Apr. 27, 1936. processed.

Federal Public Roads agency goes on record as being in favor of "Flight Strips" program.

U. S. Works Progress Administration, Massachusetts. State-wide Aeronautics Project No. 1183. Memorandum of Instruction for "Flight Strips", prepared...for the Committee for Aeronautics of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. processed.

Outlines data to be collected by the Committee for Aeronautics in preliminary studies of sites already inspected by the Highway Engineers of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works.

1937 - New England Regional Planning Commission. A Plan for New England Airways, New England Regional Planning Commission, National Resources Committee, District No. 1, 1937. The Commission, 1937.

Stresses need for emergency landing fields, giving special attention to "Flight Strip" plan. Recommends gradual accumulation of "Flight Strips" ahead of time, to keep cost low and make them available as aviation develops.

Northwest Aviation Planning Council. Resolutions of the Northwest Aviation Planning Council. In Journal of air law, Jan., 1937, vol. 8, p. 42-3.

Resolution for the establishment in the Pacific Northwest of "Flight Strips" adjacent to main highways at intervals of fifty miles.

1941 - Pan American Highway Congress, 4th. Highway "Flight Strips" for Aircraft, by S. S. Hanks; paper delivered at 4th Pan-American Highway Congress, Mexico City, Sept. 15, 1941. processed.

Points out advantages in construction of "Flight Strips" along the Inter-American Highway--would facilitate private and commercial air traffic between U. S. and other American republics, and implement the Good Neighbor policy.

1942 - U. S. Army Air Forces. Site Board Report Covering Locations of "Flight Strips" along the Alcan Highway between Dawson Creek, B. C., and Canada-Alaska border, Sept., 1942. 25 p. Maps attached. Processed.

A report by Major L. B. McCloud and Captain A. E. Blomquist of the AAF, advocating sites for "Flight Strips" along the new Alcan Highway.

Also published in September, 1942, were Site Board Reports on Sites for "Flight Strips" for fighter and bomber squadrons on the Pacific Coast.

U. S. Army Air Forces. Use of "Flight Strips" as a Military Necessity, "Flight Strips" Facilities Record (Sheet No. 84), Sept. 1, 1942. 1p. Processed.

Lists essential equipment for military use of "Flight Strips"; suggests advisability of asking Public Roads Administration to grant a revocable permit to the using Federal agency--since all "Flight Strips" are on public land, their use can easily be granted for the duration and six months.

U. S. Public Roads Administration. Manual of Procedure for the "Flight Strips" Program; Federal Works Agency, Public Roads Administration, Flight Strips Division, July, 1942. 26p. Processed.

A comprehensive work setting forth the legislative basis of the program, defining terms, stating purposes, and including detailed instructions for selection of sites and subsequent construction of "Flight Strips".

BOOKS AND MAGAZINE ARTICLES

1935 - Hanks, S. S. State Highway Rights-of-way and Their Importance to Aviation. Journal of air law, Oct., 1935, vol. 6, p. 501-13.

Includes comments received from readers of the article in U. S. air services, listed below; deals also with ways and means, procurement.

----- Why State Highway Rights-of-way Are Important to Aviation.

U. S. air services, July, 1935, vol. 20, p. 13-15.

First article advocating "Flight Strips"--a good explanation of their functions. Letters approving the plan appear in the August and September issues of the same journal for 1935.

1936 - Aerial Observations: "Flight Strips." Sportsman pilot, Aug., 1936, vol. 16, p. 5.

General discussion of "Flight Strips" plan, based on Colonel Hanks' statement to Senate subcommittee.

"Flight Strips" Proposed. Automobile topics, Oct. 12, 1936, vol. 123, p. 415.

Emphasizes fact that no special changes are necessary in orthodox methods of highway construction; compares utility of "Flight Strips" with that of automobile and trailer camps.

1936 - Geisse, J. H. Probable Aircraft Trends in the Near Future. Journal of air law, Oct., 1936, vol. 7, p. 521-27.

The author, Chief of the Aeronautics Development Section, Bureau of Air Commerce, expresses approval of use of "Flight Strips" for landing places for private flyers.

Gilchrist, Gibb. "Flight Strips" as a Modernized Part of Highway Planning for the Safety of Aircraft and the Prevention of Accidents. American highways, Apr., 1936, vol. 15, p. 1-3.

The author, President of the American Association of State Highway Officials, announces his appointment of an Aviation Committee of three to work on "Flight Strips" in cooperation with a similar committee from the National Association of State Aviation Officials. Quotes from text of Colonel Hanks' statement to the Senate subcommittee.

Highway Officials May Aid Airports. National aeronautics magazine, Nov., 1936, vol. 14, p. 17.

Quotes Major R. E. McMullen, of the National Association of State Highway Officials, as authority for statement that U. S. Bureau of Public Roads and many state highway departments are willing to assist in "Flight Strips" program.

State Officials Trade Ideas With Federal Officers at N.A.S.A.O. Annual Convention. Aviation, Nov., 1936, vol. 35, p. 24.

Reports convention resolution for encouragement by National Association of State Aviation Officials and the American Association of State Highway Officials of the "Flight Strip" plan.

1937 - Airport Development Planned in Massachusetts, American city, Feb. 1937, vol. 52, p. 47-48.

Differentiates between "landing strips" and "Flight Strips"; advocates that state highway departments form link between air and highway transportation.

Colonel Hanks started something. U. S. air services. Mar., 1937, vol. 22, p. 27.

Announces opening of the offices of the American Flight Strip Association in Rockefeller Center, New York City.

"Flight Strips" Adjoining State Highways. Concrete, July, 1937, vol. 45, p. 16.

Commends the passage by Indiana State Legislature of Enrolled Act No. 253, House Acts of 1937, authorizing State Highway Commission to acquire ground for "Flight Strips".

Flight-Strips Progress. American city, Dec., 1937, vol. 52, p. 11.

Outlines legislative progress of "Flight Strips" program to date; notes wide popular acceptance.

1937 - Hanks, S. S. "Flight Strips". Boston business, Sept., 1937, vol. 28, (cont'd) p. 28-29.

Points out advantages of "Flight Strips" to petroleum, automotive, communications and various other industries; safety factor; use in improving air mail service.

Ratcliff, J. D. Emergency Landing! Rockefeller center weekly, Feb. 12, 1937, vol. 7, p. 7, 14, 16.

Stresses use of "Flight Strips" in emergencies; mentions interest of petroleum companies, automobile and aviation manufacturers.

Report of the Massachusetts Council for Aeronautics. Journal of air law, Apr. 1937, vol. 8, p. 223-32.

Reprint of the report listed above (in section: GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS--LEGISLATION--1937), Massachusetts House Bill 1540.

1938 - Aircraft yearbook for 1938. Aeronautical chamber of commerce of America, inc., 1938. 518p.

Records development of public interest during past year in "Flight Strip" plan; notes many States and several Federal agencies interested (p. 233).

All Clear Below! Rockefeller center magazine, May, 1938, vol. 1, p. 17-18.

Comments on disadvantages of landing airplanes on highways; commends use of "Flight Strips" for emergency landings and suggests possibility of military uses.

Flight Strips Proposed to Aid Distressed Planes. Science news letter, Jan 29, 1938, vol. 33, p. 68.

Briefly explains "Flight Strips" plans, notes increasing public and professional interest, lauds safety angle.

Hanks, S. S. "Flight Strips" for the Safety of Aircraft and Motor Vehicles. American Road Builders' Association proceedings, 35th annual convention, 1938. p. 834-42.

This address stressed necessity for economic planning for national defense and flying safety, advocated "Flight Strips" as best solution of many problems.

1939 - Aircraft yearbook for 1939. Aeronautical chamber of commerce of America, inc., 1939, 580p.

Reports progress in 1938 in developing political and public interest in "Flight Strips" plan (p. 249).

Hanks, S. S. A "Flight Strip" for the East. Yankee pilot, Feb. 1939, vol. 2, p. 10-11.

Discussed proposed "Flight Strip" for Revere, Mass.; indicates economic advantages, increased private plane ownership, development of wholly new transportation system.

1939 - ----. Providing "Flight Strips" by Road Builders. American Road Builders' Association proceedings, 36th annual convention, 1939, p. 582-87.

Points way for road builders and contractors to help in building "Flight Strips" with equipment and methods already in use for regular highway construction.

1940 - Hanks, S. S. Airports for Peace or War. Canadian engineer: Roads and bridges, Feb., 1940, vol. 78, p. 18-19, 51, 61.

A reprint of the address by Colonel Hanks before the American Road Builders' 37th annual convention; see below.

----. Aviation Fields for Peace or War. American Road Builders' Association Proceedings, 37th annual convention, 1940, p. 723-27.

A good general discussion of the program, mentioning the C.A.A. airport survey, outlining methods for acquisition of land, principles of cost estimation, and design problems.

----. Aviation Gets Down to Earth. Aviation information service, 1940, 12lp. (The Baker & Taylor Co., 55 Fifth Ave., New York, distributors).

This book is the most comprehensive treatment available on the subject of "Flight Strips". Gives historical background, current development, construction principles, quotes from other source material, and foresees future uses and developments.

1941 - Airplane Flight Strips Along Highways. Public works, Aug., 1941, vol. 72, p. 12.

Notes growth of "Flight Strips" project, ties it in with highway construction and planning.

Eiserer, Leonard. Roadside Flight Strips Will Aid Defense. American aviation, Dec. 15, 1941, vol. 5, p. 8-9, 14.

Stresses flexibility and low cost of proposed installations.

Hanks, S. S. "Flight Strips". American Road Builders' Association proceedings, 38th annual convention, 1941, p. 351-5.

Mentions passage on Sept. 5, 1940, of Federal Highway Act of 1940, providing for "Flight Strips" in Section 13. Cites approval of various officers (Generals H. H. Arnold, G. H. Brett, Carl Spaatz, Col. Robert Olds), need for "Flight Strips", their uses in caring for private flyers.

High Air Corps Officers Request Minimum of 400 Flight Strips Costing \$20,000,000. American aviation, July 1, 1941, vol. 5, p. 7.

Reports testimony of officers and other experts at House and Senate committee hearings, favoring adoption of "Flight Strip" plan.

Highway Departments and "Flight Strips". Contractors and engineers monthly, Sept., 1941, vol. 38, p. 4.

Outlines program in general; brings out opportunity for counties and small communities to bring aviation to their doorsteps by construction of "Flight Strips".

1941 - Kendall, T. R. Service of Flight Strips to Cities and Local Areas. (cont'd) American city, July, 1941, vol. 56, p. 37-9; same. Highway magazine, Nov., 1941, p. 255-57.

Brings out commercial value of "Flight Strips", for transportation of goods trans-shipment, service to isolated areas without adequate means of transportation.

Olds, Robert. Military Use of Civil Airports. American Road Builders' Association proceedings, 38th Annual convention 1941, p. 273-9.

Explains military uses of "Flight Strips" as bivouacs for trucks, tanks, mechanized forces, as well as for Air Force dispersal points.

1942 - AAF Opens First Flight Strip. Air Force news letter, July, 1942, vol. 25, p. 2, 34.

Good photographs of "Flight Strip" explains that strips are near highways, not on them.

Aerial View of a "Flight Strip". Military engineer, Sept., 1942, vol. 34, p. 458.

Story on opening of first "Flight Strip", aerial photo; predicts construction of more than eighty others in strategic locations throughout the Western Hemisphere.

Aircraft yearbook for 1942. Aeronautical chamber of commerce of America, inc., 1942. 693p.

Cites War Department announcement of Nov. 27, 1941, that the AAF will cooperate in construction of "Flight Strips"; stresses military importance (p. 49).

Colonel Hanks Has Stuck to It, and Now It's Here. U. S. air services, Aug., 1942, vol. 27, p. 36.

Announces completion fifteen days ahead of schedule of first "Flight Strip", somewhere along the Atlantic seaboard.

Expansion of Flight Strip Program Overseas Planned for U. S. Warplanes. American aviation, Mar. 15, 1942, vol. 5, p. 11.

Outlines plan for use of "Flight Strips" in actual theatres of operations for fighter planes and bombers.

"Flight Strip" Program Moves Rapidly. The constructor, Sept., 1942, vol. 24, p. 28.

Story on early completion of first project, photographs.

Hanks, S. S. "Flight Strips". Flying and popular aviation, Aug., 1942, vol. 31, p. 25-26, 90-91.

A very comprehensive article, outlining history of project, explaining legal basis, construction, uses, projected development.

1942 - -----. "Flight Strips" for Dispersion of Aircraft. Air Forces news letter, Feb., 1942, vol. 25, p. 17-20.

Indicates use of "Flight Strips" as auxiliaries to regular air bases, for parking of military convoys; cites low cost factor.

-----. Location and Use of "Flight Strips". Association of Highway Officials of the North Atlantic States proceedings, 18th annual convention, 1942. p. 150-57. Reprinted in the following magazines: Roads and streets, Apr., 1942, vol. 85, p. 67-68, 70; Roads and bridges, May, 1942, vol. 80, p. 26-27; abstract. Engineering news record, Apr. 9, 1942, vol. 128, p. 541; correction Roads and streets, May, 1942, vol. 85, p. 48; same. Engineering news record, May 21, 1942, vol. 128, p. 839.

A discussion of the "Flight Strip" program, with technical data and summary of legal basis; includes statement that plans are under way for construction of "Flight Strips" outside of continental U. S., to provide for ferrying routes overseas.

Nation's First "Flight Strip". Army and Navy register, July 11, 1942, vol. 63, p. 25.

Notes completion of first "Flight Strip"; approves plan, suggests usefulness to civil and military aviation.

NEWSPAPER STORIES AND EDITORIALS

Here are listed fourteen newspaper stories and editorials, representative of several hundred which have appeared since 1935 in newspapers throughout the country. Space limitations prohibit the inclusion of more than the few appearing below; those not cited, however, show a uniformly great interest in the "Flight Strips" program and a desire to cooperate in its promotion.

1936 - Discussion of Col. S. S. Hanks' Suggestion of "Flight Strips" or Additional Landing Areas Adjacent to Public Roads, New York Times, Feb. 16, 1936, sect. 10, p. 7.

One of the early newspaper stories dealing with "Flight Strips"; reports favorably on the plan, giving a general resume of the project, and citing safety factor and great utility for civil aviation.

\$14,000,000 Urged for Plane Safety. Washington Star, Feb. 11, 1936.

The first published release on the discussion of "Flight Strips" before a Federal agency--in this case, the Senate Aviation Investigating Committee.

1937 - Adamson, H. S. Private Flying Boom Brings Plan to Build "Flight Strips". This article appeared July 18, 1937, in about twenty Hearst newspapers.

Adamson, a recognized authority on aeronautical subjects, here presents a good survey of the "Flight Strip" program, with his endorsement.

1938 - Hughes, Al. "Flight Strips" for Easy Landings. Christian Science Monitor, Apr. 6, 1938, magazine sect., p. 12.

Comments favorably on "Flight Strip" plan; notes establishment of Interstate Council for Flight Strips.

Patterson, C. J. (Colonel Hanks) Asks Highway "Flight Strip". Cleveland Press, Jan. 20, 1938, p. 1, 8.

Report of address by Col. Hanks to American Road Builders' Association; notes investigation and approval by N.A.C.A.

Roosevelt Favors Self-Paying Roads. New York Times, Feb. 16, 1938, p. 8.

Records President Roosevelt's approval of plan for trans-continental super-highways, these to be provided with wide enough right-of-way for establishment of "Flight Strips".

1940 - Crider, J. H. New Flying Aid Study. New York Times, June 2, 1940, sect. 10, p. 9.

Calls provision for "Flight Strips" in Federal Highway Bill of 1940 a new approach to the problem of State and Federal cooperation in development of adequate ground facilities for flyers.

1942 - Airports Everywhere (Editorial). Philadelphia Bulletin, Feb. 27, 1942, p. 12.

Points to use of "Flight Strips" in national defense: "... a few big airports are not enough for mass attack or defense by air."

America's Roadside Flying Fields (Editorial). Mobile (Ala.) Register, Mar. 30, 1942, p. 4.

Looks to expansion of civil aviation after the War, when "Flight Strips" may be used for landing "feeder" planes near small communities isolated from the regular air lanes.

Flight Strips (Editorial). Boston Post, Mar. 21, 1942, p. 8.

Pays tribute to Col. Hanks' tenacity in backing the "Flight Strip" program until final acceptance by the Federal Government.

Flight Strips (Editorial). New York Herald Tribune, Mar. 11, 1942, p. 20.

Points out superiority of "Flight Strip" program over idea in Europe before the present War, when France and Germany were planning use of highways for take-offs and landings.

1942 - Flight Strips (Editorial). New York Times, July 6, 1942, p. 14.
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Sees deep significance behind opening of first "Flight Strip"; suggests post-War use as links in present system of airways.

Flight Strips (Editorial). Washington Post, July 7, 1942, p. 10.

"This enterprise ('Flight Strips') should help to make our airways as important as our other forms of transport in time to come."

Scattering Air Units Is Wise. Philadelphia Enquirer, Mar. 2, 1942, p. 8.

Recognizes strategic value of many small landing fields from which more planes will be able to take the air at the same time for offensive or defensive action.

Note: Not listed in this bibliography, but included in a collection of material on "Flight Strips" in the possession of Col. Stedman Shumway Hanks are over a hundred letters written to Col. Hanks by Federal, State, and local officials and others interested in the success and expansion of the "Flight Strip" program. The letters form an important part of the collection, for they are marked by the readiness of their authors to encourage and assist in the program. Other material stresses the importance of using "Flight Strips" to permit dispersion in order to protect military aircraft against being destroyed on the ground in time of war by an enemy.

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