

STINSON'S TOUR LEAD PILES UP

Accumulates 3,183 Points, as
Compared to 2,628 of His
Nearest Rival.

(By the Associated Press.)

PITTSBURGH, July 2. — Eddie Stinson, piloting a Stinson-Detroit-er monoplane, increased his lead over his 13 competitors in the National Reliability Air Tour on the hop from Baltimore to Pittsburgh today.

Stinson tonight had accumulated 3,183 points. His closest rival was Harvey C. Mummert, piloting a Mercury, with 2,628.8 points. Next with 2,499.7 was the three-motored all-metal Ford plane, which is listed each day, although it is not competing. The all-metal Hamilton, piloted by Randolph G. Page, was fourth with 2,248.3.

Eight planes made perfect scores today. The 202 1/2 miles was negotiated in one hour 38 minutes.

Although the flight from Baltimore, was made without incident, two of the pilots landed at Rodgers Field, the Pittsburgh airport, from one to three hours late. Paul R. Branliff, one of the contestants, was an hour late when he lost his course, as did Louis G. Meister, who landed two hours after Branliff. A round of entertainment occupied the fliers tonight.

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PITTSBURGH, July 2. — Cleveland is the goal of the National Reliability Air Tour for tomorrow on the ninth leg of a 4,000-mile flight, which has been demonstrating the airplane's reliability and safety, but has disclosed, among other things, the dire need of better navigational facilities.

Five of the 14 contesting planes have met all of the contest individual requirements for their classification and have finished the first 1,000 miles of the contest with perfect scores for reliability and efficiency. Although the remaining nine have produced remarkable performances manifesting a substantial improvement in planes and their power plants, they have fallen short of perfect scores largely because of the time lost in getting off the true airline course or because of the lack of adequate markings for identifying landing fields and cities.

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