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## Associate Fellowship and Membership Examinations

Provided a sufficient number of entries are obtained the examinations for Associate Fellowship will be held in the week beginning Monday, September 17th, and those for Associate Membership in the week beginning Monday, September 24th. Candidates should advise the Secretary as soon as possible of their intention to take the examination, so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

## Forthcoming Arrangements

- Friday, June 1st.—Lecture by Lieutenant R. R. Bentley, of the South African Air Force, on Technical Aspects of his South African Flight, at the Royal Society of Arts, at 6.30 p.m.
- Friday, June 8th.—Banquet to Mr. A. V. Roe, at the Savoy Hotel, at 7.30 for 8 p.m. The banquet will be followed by a dance.
- June 14th.—Lecture by Captain Wilkins on his Polar Flight, at the Royal Society of Arts, at 6.30 p.m.

J. LAURENCE PRITCHARD, Secretary.

## OBITUARY

## JACQUES SCHNEIDER

It is with deep regret that the Council have to record the death of M. Jacques Schneider.

M. Jacques Schneider is assured of an imperishable name in aviation as the donor of the Jacques Schneider Seaplane Trophy. He was a member of a famous family of armament manufacturers, and one of the pioneers of aviation, obtaining his pilot's certificate in 1909 as a pupil of M. Louis Bleriot. Four years later he presented his now world-famous trophy to the Aero Club de France for international competition. At the time of his death at Beaulieu, in the South of France, M. Jacques Schneider was a member of the Executive Committee of the club. By his death France loses one of its most distinguished aviation enthusiasts, and a man who gave as great an encouragement to aviation as any man in the world. During his lifetime M. Schneider saw the speed of seaplanes winning his trophy increase from 44.7 to 281.48 m.p.h., this remarkable increase in figures alone indicating the advance in seaplane and engine design due to the spirit of international rivalry fostered by the donor of the Schneider Seaplane Trophy.