

- Oct. 18, 4.0 p.m. Publications and Library Committee.
 4.30 p.m. Candidates' Committee.
 5.0 p.m. Council Meeting.
 ,, 20, 5.30 p.m. Lecture by Mr. Griffith Brewer on "The Langley Machine and the Hammondsport Trials," Royal Society of Arts, Adelphi, London.
 ,, 31, 8.0 p.m. *Scottish Branch*.—Lecture by Professor Gordon Gray on "Research Work on the Application of Gyroscopes to Aviation," Natural Philosophy Class Room, Glasgow University.

Members do not require tickets for lectures, but can obtain them for their friends on application to the Secretary.

W. LOCKWOOD MARSH, *Secretary*.

R38 MEMORIAL FUND.

The following letter, signed by the President, has been sent to the Editor of "The Times." Donations towards the fund, for which a separate banking account has been opened, should be sent to the Secretary:—

28th September, 1921.

To the Editor of "The Times,"
 Printing House Square, E.C.4.

SIR,

The Council of the Royal Aeronautical Society have decided to establish a Memorial Fund, to commemorate those who have been lost in R.38 and in previous airships, and to be called the "R.38 Memorial Fund."

It is proposed to invest the capital and devote the income to the encouragement of investigation into problems connected with airships or allied subjects, which course it is felt would best meet the wishes of the relatives of those who have given their lives in the cause of airships.

As is now well known, it has been decided to suspend all Government work on airships, and it is probable that little or no provision will be made for the continuance of experimental or research work. It is, however, of paramount importance that some such work should be proceeding, on however small a scale, pending the time when the resumption of an airship service is decided upon. A sufficient capital sum to provide an annual grant towards the carrying out of some specific investigation—on a large or small scale according to the amount available—would, it is felt, be a valuable aid during this hiatus, and the period of reconstruction following it, and would serve as some safeguard, even though perhaps a slight one, against the complete neglect of airship possibilities. It is proposed that the results of the investigation should be embodied in a paper or papers to be read before the Members of the Royal Aeronautical Society.

I therefore beg to ask you to grant me the hospitality of your columns to invite your readers to forward contributions to this fund to the Secretary, Royal Aeronautical Society, 7, Albemarle Street, London, W.1.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) WEIR,

President.