



The AMA History Project Presents: Biography of HERBERT K. WEISS



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Herbert K. Weiss

No relation to the equally famous Leo, Herb says he built his first model back in the 20s at the age of eight. The ship was a *DeH-4* and under favorable conditions, it could be persuaded to show air space between the wheels and the ground. The old AMLA started Herb in the right direction with a Baby R.O.G., which he built using the wing spar stock for motor stick and vice versa. A penny was then tossed to decide which was Ambroid and which was banana oil in the kit and thanks to it being an honest penny, the ship held together and flew very well, climbing with a slight descending motion.

Herb started doing scale model designing after reaching the expert field and his work has appeared in the model mags with refreshing regularity. Received his B.S. degree in Aeronautical Engineering from MIT in 1937 and hopes to make it Master of Science before the summer is over. Here's hopin', Herb!

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