

Being the editor responsible for the contents of the OSTIV Section, Alex Stirnemann declared himself willing to undertake the responsibility for having the manuscripts printed, for making the reprints on behalf of the OSTIV Publications and for the administration of the payments to the Swiss Aero Club for OSTIV's "Aero Revue" subscriptions for the benefit of its individual members.

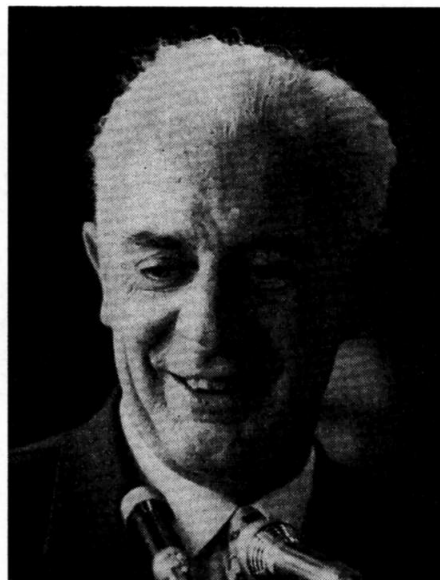
This task was extended in 1963, when the OSTIV Board decided in its meeting at Calcinat del Pesce on September 12, to appoint a "Press and Public Relations Officer", and Alex Stirnemann was willing to undertake this duty also.

Although it is not so easy to create general and permanent interest for the activities of an organization of the particular character of OSTIV, Stirnemann's "Press Bulletins", forwarded to the international aviation press, made OSTIV better known, so that a better understanding of its purpose as well as its activities was achieved in several countries.

Alex Stirnemann had an important share in the completion of eight OSTIV books, namely in Publications IV to IX inclusive as well as in *The World's Sailplanes I and II*.

With great devotion to his duties for OSTIV—which he voluntarily took upon himself—Stirnemann has rendered exceptional service to our organization. It is for this reason that the General Conference of Active Members of OSTIV in Leszno on June 22 1968 unanimously decided to award the special Diploma for Exceptional Service to OSTIV, for the first time after its creation, to Alex Stirnemann.

The rare combination of punctuality and artistry as well as reliability together with readiness to fight for his beliefs, straight, never behind one's back, has made always a deep



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impression on me. A strong and outstanding personality ever ready to support new ideas and progressive actions. It is therefore understandable that I accepted with great pleasure the invitations of the President of the Swiss Aero Club, Mr. F. Rickenbacher, to deliver the OSTIV Diploma personally to Alex Stirnemann during the Conference of Delegates of this Aero Club in Thun on Saturday, November 16, 1968.

L. A. de Lange,  
President OSTIV

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## OSTIV Diplomas

The OSTIV Diploma for the technical paper read during the 11th OSTIV Congress at Leszno, being of particular value to OSTIV, has been awarded to *Dipl.-Ing. J. Gedeon*, Polytechnical University Budapest, Hungary, for presenting his lecture on «*Statistical Aspects of Handling Criteria Research*».

When awarding this diploma, Dipl.-Ing. J. Gedeon's

earlier work at previous OSTIV Congresses is also taken into account.

The meteorological paper on «*Waveflow above Convection Streets*», presented at the 11th OSTIV Congress by *Dr. Hans Jaeckisch*, Meteorology Office, Hamburg Airport, Germany, has been considered to be of such a special value to OSTIV, that its author has also been awarded the OSTIV Diploma.