



# SPEED'S NEWS

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**SPEED HOLMAN CHAPTER-54**  
ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

March Meeting: Monday, March 12, 7:30 PM. Sanborn Aviation  
President: Gerald Laundry 647-0259  
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**Around the Club:** Seems like most of our member's attention is being devoted to the time honored Minnesota pastime of weathering out Old Man Winter. The Hobo's are in the process of covering the fuselage of the Colt. Gerry says Hoboes are mulling over an appropriate color scheme for the airplane, might like to put it in original colors if that kind of information becomes available.....Gene and Rosemary Frank report that they will be leaving for dear old Frankfort (now where else would the Frank's go?) for two weeks in April to visit a son in the service. Rosemary says they will board a Luftansa jet in Chicago for a flight across the Pole. Rosemary says she's anxious to "race the sun", something I guess happens on those trans-polar flights.

**MORE ON THE NEW RULES DEPT.** If you haven't taken pen in hand to register your thoughts regarding the FAA rule changes, you will have thirty more days in which to do so. Apparently an extension has been granted, at least through the month of March. In addition, a bill has been introduced in Congress to limit the FAA's ability to instigate rule changes without prior public hearings. This bill, I understand, is being backed by two Minn. Congressmen. Gerry will have more info.....come to the meeting.

**Question?** How many pilots does it take to unscrew a lightbulb? Answer: Five. One to hold the lightbulb and four to "prop" the stepladder.

**Off the Bookshelf-----by Pat Riley:**

**FOOL'S ERRAND**, a novel by Marc Norman. This is a reasonably well done piece of light reading for a rainy afternoon. If you enjoy reading about life's losers pulled into adventures a bit over their heads, dig into Fool's Errand. The story features George Fourney, a flyer whose addiction has led him down the paths of entrepreneurial failure many times. The story finds George scrounging to save his life's investment, a fleet of run-out Trimotors, in Panama. His only option comes with the opportunity to haul Nitro across the Andes. To do it he has to work for a crazy lady, with other crazy men, and become rather crazy himself. Yet everyone in Fool's Errand believes himself sane. You'll probably find you're self riding along, as these unusual people fly off on their unusual mission.

If you have ever harbored the secret desire to edit your own newspaper come to the next meeting. With night school, a full time job and a project to complete by spring, I'm going to have to be looking for someone to take over the job as newsletter editor. Think about it, it's actually kind of fun!