

Aeronco Limited.

A meeting for Voluntary Winding-Up.

Declaration of Solvency Filed

Major C.A.R.R. Warren, M.B.E., Chairman of the Directors of the Aeronautical Corporation of Great Britain Ltd, Walton Works, Peterborough, has sent out the following letter to members and creditors of the Company :-

Walton Works, Peterborough, July 19th 1937.

Dear Sirs.

As you are probably aware, difficulties arose early this year in the above Company with regard particularly to the constitution of the board, as a result of which a requisitioned meeting of shareholders was held at Peterborough on April 16th last.

At that meeting it was resolved that the affairs of the Company be investigated, and a committee of shareholders was appointed for that object. The adjourned meeting of shareholders, for the purpose of receiving the committee's report, was held on the 25th May.

The whole of the original board resigned at the request of the committee and members of the committee were appointed to act as a temporary board, for the purpose primarily of exploring all avenues for the re-organisation of the Company.

Up to the present time, although a number of tentative proposals have been put forward, no definite and concrete scheme has been forthcoming, and the Directors have been compelled, in order to conserve the Company's resources in their entirety and protect the interests of both creditors and members, to convene an extraordinary general meeting of the members to be held on the 20th day of August 1937, for the purpose of passing the necessary resolution for the Company to be wound up under the provisions relating to a member's voluntary winding up,

In adopting this method the Directors had, in mind the saving of expense and the protection of the interests of creditors, as the Liquidator will be enabled to continue negotiations, or alternatively, to realise the assets to the best advantage of all concerned.

The Directors have been in touch with a number of creditors, and these creditors have expressed their approval of the steps now being taken by the Directors.

A Declaration of solvency has been filed with the Registrar of Companies, in which the Director's declare that in their opinion the assets of the Company are sufficient to pay the Creditors 20/- in the £, and they are also of opinion that there will be a surplus available for distribution amongst the Members.

It is proposed that the liquidator should be assisted by a committee composed of representatives of the largest creditors, and in this way the interests of the creditors will be completely safeguarded and the assets of the Company disposed of to the best advantage.

The Directors feel sure that you will agree that the procedure as outlined above will enable your claims to be dealt with in the most expeditious manner.

Yours faithfully,
C A. R. R, Warren,
Chairman

We understand that production of the Aeronco aircraft has been suspended while the negotiations are in progress, but a skeleton staff, is still at work on the execution of various contracts and sub-contracts.

We also understand that there is a probability of Lang Propellers, Ltd., a subsidiary company, transferring its works to the South.

APPLICATION IN HIGH COURT

As will be seen in an advertisement, an application was made in the high court this week for an order for the compulsory winding up of the Company upon the petition of a Peterborough creditor.

Since the issue of the first circular, the Chairman of the Directors, Mr Warren, sent out another letter dated July 21st stating that in view of certain action taken by a few of the creditors before the issue of the first circular, the Directors have decided that the best course will be to place the position before the creditors at a meeting.

The Directors are anxious that as little money as possible shall be wasted on unnecessary costs and expenses, and they feel sure that the Creditors on being acquainted with the position, that the best and most inexpensive course is being taken by winding the Company up under the provisions relating to a members liquidation.

The Directors accordingly invite the Creditors to an informal meeting to be held at Essex Hall, Essex Street, Strand, London W.C. 2 at 3 p.m. on Wednesday, the 28th Day of July, 1937.