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UNIVERSITY GLIDER

BUILT ENTIRELY BY STUDENTS

To enable the many people who are interested in gliding to inspect the framework of a primary glider, the University Engineers' Gliding Club will to-day hold a public exhibition of the glider it has constructed during the vacation. Every metal turning and piece of woodwork in this beautiful but strong machine has been constructed by the students themselves in their own workshop during the last nine weeks. The students who are responsible for the work of building the glider are Messrs. Ray Duncan, J. L. Watkins, W. R. B. White, F. W. Cropley, L. R. Ward, E. R. Turner, E. J. Sharpe, C. Yates, D. W. Taylor and C. E. Gregory.

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Locally Built Machine Admired

The interest directed lately to the sport of gliding was given further proof at the exhibition at the University on Saturday of the machine which the University Engineers' Gliding Club has recently constructed at its own workshops. The many visitors were surprised at the amount of detail work there is in the construction of these primary gliders. A mass of intricate wooden parts form the wings, which are computed to be even stronger than the wings of a Moth plane.

Mr. Ray Duncan, who is president of the club, and who has also acted as foreman, explained that every metal turning and part of the glider had been made by the students themselves. The ordinary cost of a glider was about £125, delivered at Adelaide, but the total cost of the glider they had constructed would be in the vicinity of £17 10/. There were twenty members in the Engineers' Club, twelve of whom had spent some time every day of the vacation on the job of constructing the machine.

A ground for the first exhibition flight has not yet been decided on. It is expected that the glider will be christened about the middle of March.

A name has not yet been chosen for the plane, but the committee is pleased with some of the suggestions sent in as the result of the recent competition.

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GLIDING

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' PROGRESS

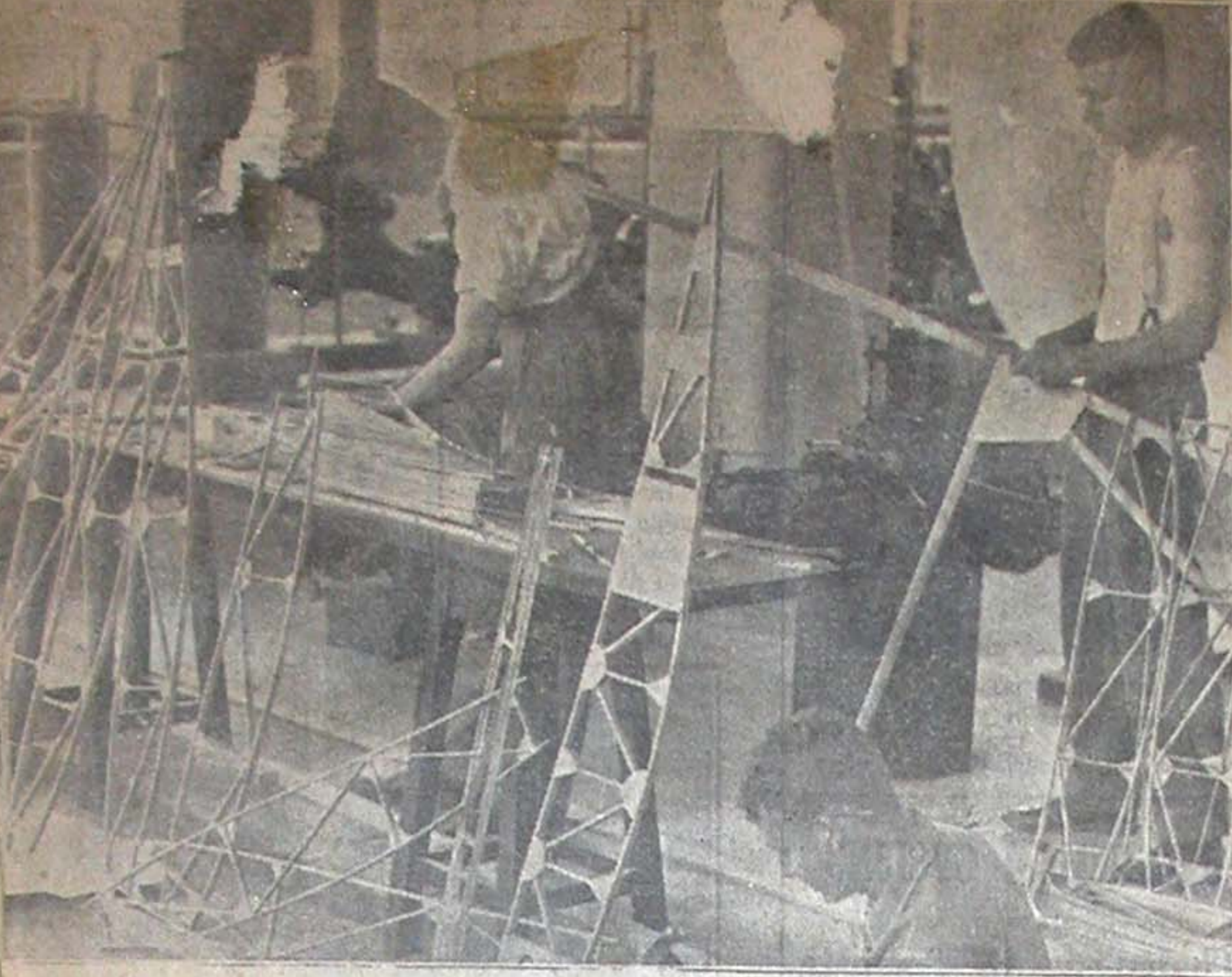
By "GLISSANDO"

Further gliding practice was carried out on Friday afternoon at Tapley's Hill by students of the University Engineers' Gliding Club. In spite of a strong north-west wind and the presence of a disturbing pocket in the course, the students' demonstration of gliding showed the progress that has been made since they started.

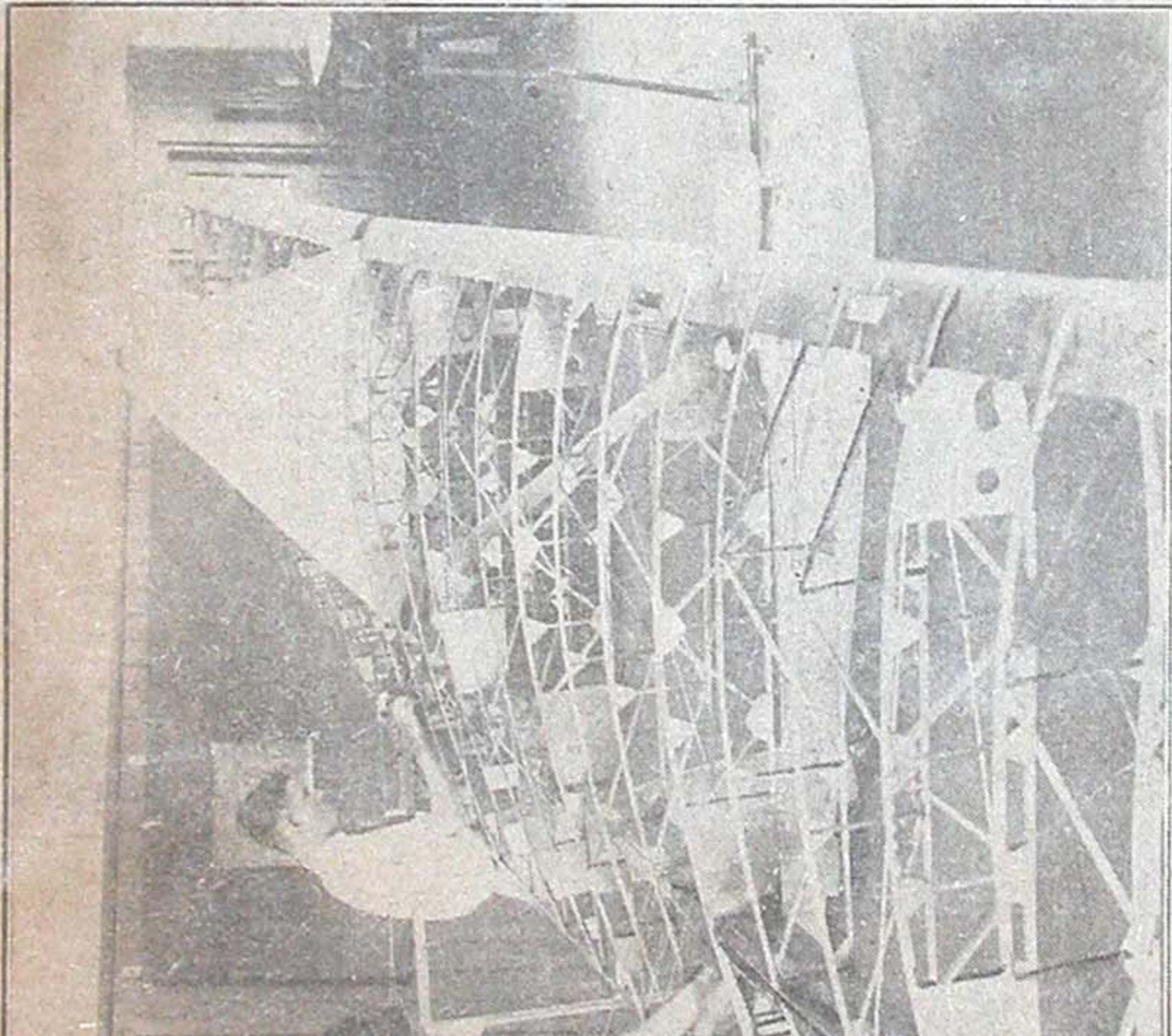
The crimson glider, with its enlarged tail, made some beautiful glides during the afternoon, and several efforts succeeded in reaching the 400 yard peg. One or two pupils were seen to stick their left leg out to steady the machine when landing. This is a dangerous practice. The students fly in rotation, and at the end of the day the man who is due for the next glide opens proceedings the following practice day.

It was hoped to try to induce Miss Amy Johnson to glide at Tapley's Hill during her stay, as she is a keen gliding expert. The students realise, however, that she has a heavy programme to carry out in Adelaide, and that she is under doctor's orders.

The South Australian Gliding Club will carry out gliding practice on Sunday as usual at Tapley's Hill. The progress made in this club also is satisfactory. It is hoped to be able to appoint an opening date shortly, when both clubs will combine.



UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AT WORK ON GLIDER—The machine is being built in the engineering department by Messrs. W. R. White (sitting), R. Duncan (left), and F. Cropley. The glider will have 46 of the ribs shown in the photograph, each one of which will weigh 6½ oz.



COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION—The glider is being built solely by University students, shown in the photograph are (left to right)—Messrs. J. L. Watkins, W. R. B. White, and F. W. Cropley.