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SUBJECT: Stabilizer Rear Bearing Bracket

MODELS AFFECTED: J3 and J5

We have received reports of a number of recent failures of the stabilizer rear bearing bracket on Piper Models J3 and J5. Since these failures may be the result of improper or insufficient lubrication, your attention is called to Service Bulletin No. 22, Revised 2-19-46, covering lubrication of the stabilizer fittings.

Reports received suggest that lifting the airplane about by means of the stabilizer may have been the cause of the failures. Undue and abnormal strains are placed upon the bearing bracket when the airplane is moved by means of the stabilizer and can result in failure of the fittings. Accordingly, all persons handling Piper Models J3 and J5 on the ground are urged to use the lifting handle provided for that purpose.

Since other parts of the airplane, such as wing tip bows, may also be damaged by improper handling, you are cautioned to exercise care always when moving the airplane on the ground.

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