

DINNER TONIGHT TO BIRD MEN BY BOARD OF TRADE

In honor of the big aviation carnival which opens tomorrow the Board of Trade will give a complimentary dinner this evening to the aviators, the citizens' committees which have been working for the affair, the mayor, the local Senators and Representatives and a number of other prominent citizens.

Glenn Curtiss, James A. D. McCurdy, Lincoln Beachy and Lieut. Fickel and Ellyson, of the U. S. Army and Navy respectively are the aviators who will fly at the Bridgeport meet, and accordingly they will be the guests of honor tonight.

The dinner will be a strictly informal affair and will be given in order to show the Board of Trade's appreciation of the "boosting" Bridgeport is receiving throughout the State and the Nation as well through the coming of the Curtiss aviators.

The last place in which these daring birdmen gave an exhibition was Washington, D. C. It is probable that Bridgeport is the first city of its size in the world to have a meet of such importance and furthermore it will mark the opening of the first privately owned permanent aerodrome in the world.