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1945 Plane for Proposed Museum

Seth Ward of Little Rock (right) and Dick Holbert, president of the Arkansas Aviation Historical Society, inspect a yellow 1945 model J-3 Piper Cub that Ward donated to the Society Thursday. The plane, which has only about 550 hours of flying time, is worth about \$30,000 and is the first donation to an air and space museum the Society hopes to start in six to eight months. Ward, an Airport Commission member, said he will ask the Commission to allow use of part of the old Adams Field terminal for the museum. Ward, who flew the plane to Memphis last week, bought the plane in 1978 after it had been in storage nearly 30 years. Ward said he hoped his action would spur similar donations. He said the Society particularly would like to have a Taylorcraft or a Command-Aire, a plane built in Little Rock from 1924 to 1932. The Cub will be stored at Central Flying Service until it can be put on display.