





In the summer of 1934 this Waco biplane, piloted by Henry Sieger of Patchogue, developed engine problems on takeoff and crashed from a height of 150 feet between Pine Neck Avenue and Swan Creek. Hermann Maez, a passenger, had to spend a week in the hospital, but Henry Sieger and the other passenger, Gilbert Trimmer, walked away with only minor injuries. The plane dove at a 45 degree angle into a muddy field, which softened the impact somewhat. They say that any landing that you can walk away from is a good landing.



A plane arriving on a trailer at the Patchogue Airport, August 18, 1933.