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THE NEW EDITOR OF THE 99 NEW LETTER for 1937-38 is Dorothy Carpenter, 124 S. Franklin St., Allentown, Pennsylvania. Dorothy received her PHD from the University of Michigan last spring and spent the summer months doing research work in Botany in Arizona. She has flown for a number of years and owns her own Taylor Cub, which she flew to Miami last winter in the Taylor Cub Tour and which she also used in getting about Arizona this summer. Dorothy has been an active and enthusiastic member of the Michigan Chapter 99s for several years and acted in the capacity of reporter for the Chapter for sometime. She is now teaching in Cedar Crest College, but has consented to take on the duties of Editor in addition to her college work.

The deadline for news, as usual, is the 20th of each month, and it is very essential all items must be in the hands of the editor by that time in order that the News Letter can be put out on time. The cooperation of each 99 member, as well as sections and chapters, is most important.

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DUES - for 1937-38 are now payable to your local Chapter Treasurer.

COMING EVENTS - Miami Air Maneuvers, Dec. 2-5-inclusive.

A NINETY NINE GET-TOGETHER will be held during the Miami Air Maneuvers, Dec. 2-5 inclusive, with headquarters at the Miami Biltmore. There will be a 99 breakfast at 10 o'clock Saturday morning, Dec. 4, at the Miami Biltmore. The hotel is offering special rates to 99s. Single rooms \$ 3.50 - \$ 4 and \$ 5; double rooms \$ 6.00, \$ 7.00 and \$ 8.00. These rates include the full use of the Florida Year Round Club facilities and transportation each afternoon to and from the air races. There will be a Ninety-Nine booth where girls should register and meet.

NEWS FROM THE SECTIONS

NORTH CENTRAL - Illinois Chapter - Illinois 99's won fresh plaudits from the people in Chicago for their excellent performance at the third annual air carnival, given by the cooperation of the Chicago Girl's Flying Club and the 99's. Most of the active participants are members of both clubs.

Emma "Dot" Sprague, president of the Chicago Girls' Flying Club, did an excellent job in putting it over. Not a wing-tip was scratched in this all-woman show, and 15,000 spectators were on hand at the Curtiss Airport Sept. 19th to give the little girls a hand.

Results of the races were as follows: Spot landing- 1st, Dot Sprague in the Aeronca (Margaret Green trophy); 2nd, June Kraft in a Ryan, (Kesi trophy); Naperville Crosscountry (George Horton trophy), Alice Adamec DeWitt in a Rearwin; Competitive Stunting-(Bonfoey trophy), Dorothy Ring in a Ryan; Comedy and Novelty- (Maurine Trophy) June Kraft and Dorothy Ring. These girls hung out the wash on the struts of a fledgling, then flew around the field. Bendix Trophy won by Helen Budwash; bomb-dropping (Mayor Kelly trophy) Emma Sprague; Novelty race (Olson Trophy) Helen Colton; Thompson Trophy Race - Dorothy Ring; Parachute Jump (Riverview Trophy) Martha Stadler.

Mae Wilson flew a swell race.....Maxine Bennett was kept on the coast due to illness, and was unable to participate.....Jane Ray was still in Europe.....The Chicago Girls' Flying Club's non-flying members did excellent work on the ground at the ticket windows, restaurant, field and the hundred and one other places that it is necessary for people to be in order that air races may run smoothly. Great credit goes to the diminutive Emma "Dot" Sprague, president, who not only successfully put on the meet, and carried off two prizes, but was able to sail for a two months' trip to Europe two days later. Swell organization, that!.....As this report makes its long trek to the coast it is NEWS here abouts that our chairman, Jane Ray, has returned from her summer jaunt to Germany and Paris, and will preside at our annual banquet at our headquarters, The Medinah / Club of Chicago.....We'll turn in a report of those goings-on next time.

--Jane Meyer

North Central Section- Northern Ohio Chapter - A farewell dinner honoring Leora Stroup, who has moved from Cleveland to Detroit recently, was given Oct. 18th by Florence Boswell at her home. A delicious turkey dinner which ended with a dessert of ice cream in the form of airplanes was served to the following members: Leora Stroup, retiring chairman, Ann Barille, Florence Boswell, Helen Curtiss, Arlene Davis, Mary King, Edessa Dahlgren, a prospective member, and Jeannette Lempke, retiring North Central Governor, who flew down from Bay City, Mich. Chapter elections resulted in the following choices: Chairman, Mrs. Mary King of Mentor, Ohio; Sec.-Treas., Mary Winstanley, Sebring, Ohio;.....Mrs. Arlene Davis passed her N. S. I. R. on Oct. 9th, so we now have two N. S. I. R.s in our chapter.....Marion Pease is in the east, with Dr. Pease having a vacation.....Abbie Dill and Marion Coddington spent the week-end in New York.....Mary King recently had a most interesting flight to Saskatchewan, Canada. She reports all the towns are plainly marked and the country so lovely.....Florence Boswell had an interesting time teaching a student navigation on a trip to Wichita, but returned to be greeted by her 13 year old son, Louis, who had fallen on glass and cut his right hand severely. His greeting to his mother was, "If you had taken me with you, this wouldn't have happened." See how much safer you are in the air!.....November 19th at 6:30 P:M Northern Ohio Chapter will have a dinner meeting and any 99's who can attend will be most welcome.

---Florence Boswell

NORTH CENTRAL SECTION - Michigan Chapter- All of the Michigan chapter attended the annual Michigan Girls' Air Day at Hartung's Gratiot Airport, Detroit, Sunday Oct. 10th at which time we had a short meeting and election of chapter officers. The results of the election were as follows: Chairman, Leila Baker; Vice-chairman, Roberta Lupton; Sec.-Treas., Helen Lehtio. Luncheon was served in the hangar. Doris Lowry, amateur pilot who has flown less than a year, won the Joyce Hartung cup, having the highest points and Mabel Britton was second. Mabel had to leave before the foot race. The results of the events were as follows: Bomb dropping, first, Mabel Britton; second, Jane Weyant; 3rd, Jeannette Lempke. Spot landing, 1st Doris Lowry; 2nd, Gladys Hartung; 3rd, Mabel Britton. Gliding, Helen Montgomery. Ribbon cutting, 1st, Alice Hammond; 2nd, Doris Lowry and 3rd, Mabel Britton. Foot race, 1st, Doris Lowry; 2nd, Pauline Hutchinson and 3rd, Helen Montgomery. Though the day was cloudy, everyone seemed to have lots of fun.....Leila Baker and Ray Baker of Detroit with their two small sons are vacationing in Texas.....Clara Livingston, member-at-large from Porto Rico, has spent ten days in Michigan while having her Stinson serviced at the factory. Clara is flying to Seattle, down the coast to Los Angeles and to the Grand Canyon before returning to Porto Rico... Pauline Hutchinson of Pontiac now has her Private License and has renewed her membership in the 99's.

----Gladys Hartung

MIDDLE EASTERN SECTION - The October meeting of the Middle Eastern Section was held at the beautiful home of Ellen Smith, Meadville, Pa. Those attending the meeting were Leona O'Shea, McKeesport, Marge McCormick, Pittsburg, Ann McKee (new Sec.-Treas.) Richmond. From Washington there were Gov. Lydia Clement, Harriet Sackett, Jo Busse, Leah Zeigler and this cub reporter. (HO- and believe it or not, she had two QBs there, Messrs. Smith and Moltrup). Ellen had a delicious

luncheon ready for the hungry travelers as they all ganged up on her Saturday night. The meeting was held directly after breakfast on Sunday and then the big 99's came down to earth and rode little Nickey Smith's automobile. It will do 20 MPH, but in order to make it safe for grownups, and little Nickey, it has been cut down to 8. After that everybody drove out to the airport to see Ellen's new Stinson..... Ann McKee just received her new Fairchild 24. She now has three ships, including a '36 Stinson and a Fairchild 22.....Venus Shakarian, past governor, has gone and got herself married. She is now Mrs. Arthur Toner and will continue to live in Pittsburg. The girls all wish you everlasting happiness, Vee!.....Jo Busse returned from a trip to Germany in time to attend the meeting. She had many interesting experiences to tell the girls and we are all anxious to see the moving pictures taken on her trip.....Marge McCormick placed third with her trusty Davis in the Chicago Air Carnival race on Sept. 9th..... Harriet Sackett, M. E. S. 1935 Governor, has decided to forsake the banks of single blessedness. The lucky man is Frank Black of the Maritime Commission and the date is set for next spring.

--Helen Frigo

NEW ENGLAND SECTION - The New England Chapter has had wedding bells tingling over it this month. Dorothy Shaw is now Mrs. Joseph Garside. Mr. Garside is the manager of the Boston-Metropolitan Airport at Norwood, which keeps everything nicely in the aeronautical family. The girls presented them with a pair of salt and peppers in the shape of airplanes just so there would be no danger of their thoughts getting too far away from us.....The September meeting was held at the Wiggins hangar at East Boston, with Jean Adams, the new governor in the chair. Daisy Kirkpatrick and Margaret Kimball were the hostesses for the tea served afterwards. Nancy Tier flew her Monocoupe up from Cheshire, Conn. Fonda Hyatt flew down from Maine, and Ora King came to the Norwood airport in her Aeronca, joined Lou Howard and Dot Shaw (not then Mrs. Garside) and the three of them flew to Boston in a four place Waco belonging to the E. W. Wiggins Airways. Miriam Vanderslice, Lorraine Frankland and Dolly Bernson came by car though Dolly was doing a good bit of pre-meeting flying for the pleasure of a guest from Georgia. Ora King was appointed secretary for the coming year. Jean Adams read us her article on the Cleveland Air Races which she is contributing to AIRWOMAN.....From Madeline Suttie, of Waterville, Maine, comes news of her flying activities. She has soloed almost every type of ship suitable for private flying including seaplanes and planes equipped with skis. At the Augusta Air Meet in August the Augusta Zonata Club entertained the women pilots and an appropriate memorial program was held for Amelia Earhart. ...Miriam Vanderslice secured permission to go up in one of the weather planes and left the Boston Airport while it was still dark with the moon still shining. Half an hour later the sun rose, and they were 16,000 feet up where it was 70 degrees below zero---a thrilling and beautiful sight.

----Louise Howard

SOUTHWEST SECTION - Los Angeles Chapter - At the recent Aviation Planning Commission held at Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 23rd to 25th, 99's from this chapter were well represented. The following attended: Jessie Ostrander, Adrienne Clark and Grace Prescott from San Diego; Ethel Sheehy of Fontana; Gladys O'Donnell of Long Beach; Bettymay Furman, Lauretta Schimmoler, Pretto Bell, Melba Beard, Elizabeth Hayward, Mabel Bull, Virginia Russell, Dorothy George, Hilda Jarmuth, all of Los Angeles, and Blanche Noyes of New York. It was a most

interesting and educational session, presided by the Governor of California and attended by all the top-heads of the country's aviation leaders of today.....Pansy Bowen was hostess to the women attending the conference, and topped off the affair with a grand cocktail party at her home on Saturday, at which the Bay Cities Chapter girls were present, having arrived during the afternoon. In the evening Pansy was hostess at a grand dinner party held at Del Paso Country Club.... At the 2nd Annual Air Show of Modesto, Calif., Grace Prescott and Ethel Sheehy participated, as well as Ruth Rueckert, Marjorie Hook and Afton Lewis and Olive Bledsoe of the Bay Cities. They report an interesting day.....Ethel Sheehy took her little Great Lakes and week-ended by flying over to Phoenix, and Yuma, Arizona, and returned via San Diego, Calif., doing a good navigation job on her new instruments. (Wish we could all have a nice private airplane).....L. A. Chapter had the October meeting by orange and black candle light, and the table artistically decorated with Hollowe'en napkins, black cats and yellow pumpkins. Chairman Bettymay Furman called order by ringing a miniature cow bell. Chapter officers were elected for the coming year and are: Bettymay Furman, reelected chairman; Mabyll Bull, vice-chairman; Hilda Jarmuth, secretary-treasurer. Chapter members are urged to please pay their dues promptly. Mail same to Hilda Jarmuth at 103 So. Edgemont St., Los Angeles.....The Southwest Section has for its project for the coming year, and Air Marking program, and will endeavor to take every town over 4,000 inhabitants as a prospect. Committees are now being formed, and with the cooperation of the Dept. of Commerce, work will soon be under way.

---Hilda Jarmuth

SOUTHWEST SECTION - Bay Cities Chapter - To celebrate the birthdays of six of this chapter's members, a special dinner was given in a private dining room of the Hotel Plaza. Maude Miller, one of the October birthday girls and instigator of the party surprised the others having birthdays in this month by presenting each with a silver bracelet bearing a pair of wings and 99 emblem on them. Janet Knight donated a gorgeous birthday cake, which was made to look like an airport. Thirteen little pink airplanes were out on the line and in one corner stood a hangar with 99 in blue letters on its roof. Following the dinner the meeting was conducted in our regular club rooms in the hotel and election of chapter officers resulted in a unanimous vote for our present officers, namely, Janet Knight, chairman, and Bea Nadon, sec-treas. Tentative plans were made for an airport dance.....Clara Livingston made a short stop in Oakland enroute from Seattle to Los Angeles and was the luncheon guest of Harriet Isaacson.....The Aviation Country Club of Northern California, a newly formed organization, held its first get-together Sunday, October 17th at the Fuller Ranch. the 99's were well represented by Harriet Isaacson, Jackie Casserley, Peggy Dorst, all from the Bay Region and Mary Tressider, who flew in from Yosemite.....Janet Knight flew to Los Angeles last week where she spent several days.....And in closing a proud mama can't resist telling the world about her new son, Thomas Kitchel Wakeman, born Oct. 14th.

----Ruth Wakeman

NORTHWEST SECTION - has a new member, Manila Davis Talley, formerly of the Northern Ohio Chapter, North Central Section. A letter from

Manila states she travelled by trailer more than 6,000 between the time she left Dayton, her former home, and arrived in Portland. "I was running away from telephones, doorbells and all noisy civilization", says Manila, "so I carefull avoided everyone I knew enroute and was only recognized once---and of all places too---at Crater Lake. I was sitting along the two thousand foot climb, having skinned one toe, and given out most completely, when an officer came by and spoke. Hearing my name out there after so long gave me quite a start, but he had flown the Airlines and known me when I was flying for the old Curtiss-Wright Flying Service in Boston. As yet I haven't had a chance to see the airport or call anyone."

--Manila Davis Talley

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Editor's Note: Many of the newly married members have failed to send in their new addresses. We have only those registered on our mailing list. Also many of the new members are not on this list, since their names or addresses have not been sent to the editor. Secretaries of the chapters will please send all changes of name and address, and the names and addresses of all new members, to the editor before the 20th of the month.