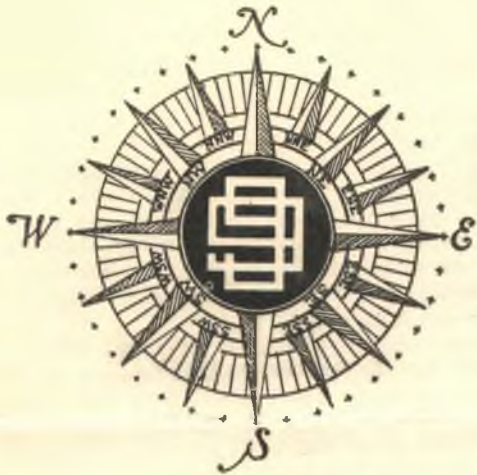


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CIVIL AIR PATROL

CONFIDENTIAL: PLEASE NOTE CAREFULLY: Due to the fact that the following information has not as yet been officially released by the Office of Civilian Defense, it is urgently requested that the contents of this article be treated as "off the record" until such time as the OCD make public the details concerning the Civil Air Patrol.

For many months now, the problem of women's participation in the aerial defense of our nation has been of great concern to the members of the 99's. Many programs have been suggested, some of which have been brought to the attention of the National Congress, the War Department, and the C A A. To date, none have been successful in their prime objective ... to find a place for the woman pilot in national defense.

At last, a Federal program concerned with civil air defense is being developed which will include the active participation of women pilots.

Now being organized under the Office of Civilian Defense is the Civil Air Patrol. So far as is now known, this will be the only civil air defense activity to be sponsored by the Federal Government. The CAP is set up on the basis of the program originally developed by Gill Robb Wilson. For the past several months, the N A A has acted as a clearing house of information for those who wished to develop state or group participation in civil air defense. This summer, Mr. LaGuardia, Director of the OCD, appointed a committee on aviation consisting of Gill Robb Wilson, Chairman; Tom Beck, and Guy Gannett. The Committee was to submit a program for national organization of the civil air resources of the nation. The Civil Air Patrol is the result. Full details on the program can not as yet be released as it is essential that the operating structure be fully completed before release of information.

However, this much is known and is submitted herewith for your study and consideration. The Civil Air Patrol is a division of the Office of Civilian Defense. It is set up on the regional basis of the nine corps areas of the Army Air Corps. Each state will be a Wing. Each Wing will be divided into Groups, Squadrons, and Flights. The State Wing will be coordinated with the State Defense Councils and State Aviation Commissions. The National Commander will receive the advice and cooperation of the various government departments

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This will advise that Headquarters Secretary Evelyn Dent has left to be married, and Mrs. Elaine Reed Currie succeeds her, HOWEVER, please address all communications to 99 Headquarters, Willard Hotel.



NORTHWESTERN SECTION

● WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER By Reta L. Sutherland

At our Chapter meeting, October 16, we welcomed Evelyn Burleson, who had just returned from a non-stop flight from Vancouver, B. C. to Tia Juana, Calif. The story of her flight is very interesting. As Vancouver sank into the distance, an escort of Army planes took off to take her to the Boundary, and as she crossed the International Boundary, the ships all dipped their wings and gave a salute. In Portland, Oregon an escort squadron met her and followed to the South until darkness forced them back. She passed over her home port of Albany, Oregon and then thru the Siskiyou Mountains, where exceedingly rough weather was experienced, but straight ahead was Mt. Shasta right on her course. Finally Los Angeles and the ocean, and pangs of hunger because her lunch was thrown behind the gas tank in the rough air. Turning south from Los Angeles, she arrived at Tia Juana three hours ahead of schedule. Some flying, Evelyn, the 99'ers are proud of you. And now, not content with this, Evelyn has gone east to fly out a new Taylorcraft.

We understand that Anabel Turner is well versed in the Army pilot romance technique in and around Portland, Oregon.

We had a letter from Dot Schindele telling us how much she appreciated and enjoyed "Aerial Vagabonds" which the girls at our last Section meeting sent her. Dot is recuperating nicely and we hope will be with us shortly.

Irma Wallace and her 49¹/₂er, Bill, flew to Portland stopping at some of the smaller airports en route.

The Yakima girls of the Eastern Washington Chapter have divided into two teams and are conducting spot landing contests.

The girls of the Portland chapter are planning for the Northwest Sectional meeting in Portland in January.

Margaret Logan of Billings, Montana came out for a visit. She liked Seattle weather so much that she decided to stay and is now working for the C A A.

● SOUTH DAKOTA CHAPTER

By Laurine Nielson

Our October 12 meeting at Huron was sort of non-existent. Only two members were present. Our member at Vermillion, Marie Abrahamson, had planned on being there to introduce a prospective 99'er Mrs. Hal Willcox of Meckling, but their bucket-o-bolts came due for a 30-hour check and they were unable to attend.

We are hoping for a better representation at Sioux City, Iowa November 16. Mrs. Agnes DeHaven has graciously invited the new South Dakota Chapter down for a late breakfast. Mrs. DeHaven, who owns her own ship is Secy-Treas. of the AOPA there and is also Vice-Chairman of the Missouri Valley Chapter.

Right now, we're working on organization of a 99 league bowling team. And we have the idea we are the first such team in the USA. Are we mistaken?



SOUTHWESTERN SECTION

● LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

By Hilda Jarmuth

Another Chapter year has started, and we are proud to announce our new officers, who are: Irene Slagel, Chairman; Dorothy Kinsman, Vice-Chairman, and Eileen Evans, Secy-Treas. Irene and Eileen are young members of only a year but their enthusiasm has certainly been something for everyone to emulate (that's a word I've wanted to use for some spell). Dorothy is one of our faithful old-timers. We are looking forward to an interesting year.

At the October meeting a number of ideas were presented whereby our Chapter could participate in the Defense Programs now being started all over the country. We also were fortunate in having Miss Peggy Cox of Western Air Lines show beautiful colored movies of that company's vacation trip.

Eurith Howard has presented us with the first of the new series of Cockpit Chats our Section is fortunate in having the Governor send out every other month. Quite an interesting way of keeping the far-scattered chapters closely in touch with the section's activities.

Our gals have all been busy renewing licenses, studying for the new instructor's rating and brushing up on Navigation problems. Also, the Annual Aviation Ball on Sat., October 13, showed us what lovely ladies they can be by "star-light". We were happy to meet Kittle Leaming, of Philadelphia Chapter, who came as a guest of Patricia Thomas.

Hasta la vista!

● BAY CITIES CHAPTER

By Rita Gerry

Our first and most important news is that Mary Bowles, of Burlingame, has received her flight instructor's rating, and is teaching at the Palo Alto Airport. Mary has been doing some heavy grinding, with no time allowed for social affairs.

Ruth Wakeman made a recent flight to Carmel with the Sportsmen Pilots.

Helen Ashley and Betty Eames planned a trip to Corvallis, Ore. for the holiday week-end. The Cascades were closed in, so they changed their flight plan, and flew to Reno instead. Storm followed them. They were snowed in at Reno and were marooned there for 2 days.

Marjorie Hook, Rita Gerry and Jerry Fauth have just returned from a two-weeks trek by covered wagon. The trail led them to the cowboy ranges of Nev., Ida., Who., and Mont. They saw many cowboys, plus chaps, high-heeled boots, and 10-gallon hats, but the only men on horseback were herding sheep. Marj., Rita and Jerry did some low flying, covering 3600 miles in 2 weeks, with time out for sightseeing.

Our next meeting will be held at the home of Frances Jones, in San Francisco. We will have a buffet supper, followed by a White Elephant sale. Profits from supper and sale will be turned in to our Chapter treasury.



NORTH CENTRAL SECTION

SOUTHERN WISCONSIN CHAPTER

By Dorothy E. Bryant

The Southern Wisconsin Chapter of the 99's announces a new member for this month, Miss Janet Crawford, who took her training under the last CPTP. The first of this new year's activities was a breakfast flight to Lake Delton, Oct. 19. Five planes participated. After the flight breakfast at the airport, a meeting was held at Ann Emery Hall in Madison. Another get-together breakfast last Sun. the 2nd of Nov. brought the girls together for flying and hangar flying. Our new chairman, Carol Reiss has a position with Anderson's at the General Mitchell Field in Milwaukee. She will be back often and carry on from there. Her plans include work on a commercial rating.

● EASTERN MISSOURI CHAPTER

By Mary Raymon

Our last meeting, Nov. 3, was held at Ellen Lane's house. Ellen is a member of NXII (our Junior organization) and will soon be eligible to be a member of the 99's. At the meeting we completed plans for our party to be held next Saturday and also welcomed a new member to our chapter. Laura Sellinger of St. Louis, who completed her private pilot's course at Lakeside, Illinois.

On October 8, we had the pleasure of meeting Clara Livingston of Jamaica, New York, who stopped at Lambert Field for too short a time on her way to Tulsa.

The Love Bug is still biting the St. Louis girls. Jeannette Geantile has announced her engagement to Ray Bratton, a pilot for TWA. They are to be married on December 20.

Helen Hartman Thomure and her 49^{er} Dudley, have returned from a honeymoon spent under the Florida sun (moon?) at Miami.

Odett Wallace, of Omaha, Neb., visits with us almost every week end, as she is now teaching school at New Berlin, Illinois and no doubt finds the bright and smiling faces at Lambert Field a relief from the ditto faces in the classroom.

● ALL-OHIO CHAPTER

By Helen Ernst

The All-Ohio Chapter had a thrilling experience as guests of the Hamilton Sesqui-Centennial's Aviation Day on October 11. We met as planned, at Springfield and flew en masse to Hamilton. At Springfield we were each given a "bomb" which we were to drop as we came across the Hamilton Airport at 500 feet. Our target was a 25-foot circle on the field. After dropping our bombs we came in for a spot landing. Trophies were awarded by the Hamilton Jr. Chamber of Commerce to the winners of each of these events. Sylvia Frantz and Helen Ernst won the bomb-dropping contest. Mary C. Wilson, a new member from Springfield, won the spot landing contest. We were greeted at the airport by Margaret Bartholomew, our "down-south" member from Cincinnati. After sundown we were entertained with a buffet supper at the Elk's Club. At the Fairgrounds we viewed with approval the 99 display in the Aviation Hall, assembled by Florence Boswell, and later were guests at the beautiful pageant depicting the

history of Hamilton, followed by dancing to the music of Frankie Masters. Sunday morning we flew back to our respective airports, taking with us the memory of a grand time.

Our November meeting will be held at Martin Field, Canton, on November 16. Hostesses will be Sylvia Frantz and Helen Ernst. Breakfast will be served at the Highland Links Club house.

● INDIANA CHAPTER

By Bertha Topping

On Sunday, October 19, at Anderson, the sky was filled with ships. They were flown not only by 99'ers from our own state, but also by our 99'er friends from Omaha, Belle Hetzel, North Central Section Governor, and Bea Mack, South Central Section Governor, who flew a Stinson Voyager through all kinds of soupy weather on the day before just to be with us.

Our gracious hostess on Saturday night was Claudia Smith and we "hangar flew" until the wee small hours. Sunday turned out to be a beautiful sunny day, so everyone who could, flew in. Roscoe Turner and Capt. Daniel Moulton came up from Indianapolis to visit us and needless to say were quite welcome.

The airport was a hive of activity and showed evidence of many recent improvements. Many of these were the result of the untiring efforts of our Secretary, Claudia Smith. She worked unceasingly to make this meeting a success and every place we went showed evidence of her fine hand. About 11 o'clock we all went out to her home where we were served a delightful breakfast.

Our next meeting will be at Lafayette airport. This is Pat Dickerson's home port, so let us all be there promptly at 9:30 a.m. and show her a real 99 turn-out.

● EASTERN WISCONSIN CHAPTER

By Elsie V. Peters

Ceiling Zero! And spirits Zero-minus! The weather certainly has had us down on earth this month, as the sun only seemed to shine while we were working at our daily jobs, with each weekend with fog thick enough to cut. Margaret Seip and Caroline Iverson flew to Fondulac for the Wisconsin Civil Air Corps Convention, while the rest of us were grounded.

We did, however, meet at the home of Vera Howe for our October meeting, and had a grand evening making plans, while it poured outdoors. We hope to fly to Detroit, Sat. and Sun. Nov. 8 and 9 and are holding thumbs that the weather will be ideal.

● MISSOURI VALLEY CHAPTER

By Dorothy Broadfield

The September meeting was declared Bank Holiday. The AE Banks were brought forth. We were literally rolling in dough (the rolling was the difficult part). It was also the first meeting in the lovely new N A A Club Rooms in Hotel Fontenelle. Mary Ruth Rance, a recent CPT member, was guest of honor at a luncheon at the Fontenelle Hotel. She is leaving to make her home in New York City. Our Chapter was honored in having two Governors present at the same time. Belle Hetzel, Governor of the North Central Section, and Bea Mack, newly elected Governor of South Central Section. The Governors recently flew to Anderson, Indiana to attend a meeting.

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● WESTERN MISSOURI CHAPTER

By Elizabeth Foley

The 99'ers who are residents of Kansas City were honored October 4 by the National President, Miss Jacqueline Cochran, who was dinner guest of the group at a downtown hotel. Miss Cochran gave a good many suggestions for improving 99's, and told of the work being done all over America by women aviators. She related her experiences in her recent trip to England when she was pilot on a Hudson bomber. She was also one of the first to congratulate Jewell Stanton who had that day passed her Commercial flight test.

Mrs. Betty Green, chairman of the Omaha Chapter, was guest at breakfast October 2, at the Kansas City Airline Terminal. She extended an invitation to Kansas City girls to join the Omaha Chapter in their flight to Sioux City October 16.

At the regular monthly dinner meeting, October 28, the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund was discussed and the group voted to contribute \$50 to the fund. Money for the contribution was raised by "Hangar Dances". Nearly 600 airport employees and their friends attended the recent dance, October 25.

Another Chapter winging party will be held October 9, at which time Tarkio will be the host city. Floods in Missouri and Kansas made it necessary to postpone this trip, and all other local flying for a week. Winging parties were first suggested to us by the Oakland Chapter, and our thanks to them for their suggestions which have enabled us to make a success of every flight we have attempted.

● NORTHERN KENTUCKY CHAPTER

By June Woehner

Election of officers was held at a dinner meeting October 17. Heading the list for Chairman will be Ann Bradbury; assisted by Jean Franham as Vice-Chairman; Jean Jones as Membership Chairman; Betty Ann Millard as Secy-Treas; June Woehner as Reporter.

We are happy to announce that we have a new member, Marilyn Bir of Indiana University. Your scribe flew to the University October 13 with a friend and we found it a beautiful place and would have stayed longer if it hadn't been for that old wind.

All members agreed that meetings shall be on the second Tuesday of each month at 7:30 and that they will be held mainly to further our knowledge of flying and increase our ratings. At present our object is a radio rating for every member.

● ILLINOIS CHAPTER

By Jerry Truesdell

Hope to get our news in the allotted number of words this time. We had a mighty fine meeting at Springfield on Sunday, October 26. The fact that it rained all day and blew a young gale did not daunt some of our pilots, and with Paddy Adelman flying her Fairchild and Midge Meuser her Bellanca, six of us swam a merry course to the Capital. Marion Albright and her 49'er from Milwaukee struggled in but they missed the very delicious breakfast at the Leland Hotel in Springfield. After breakfast we visited Lincoln's home and the Tomb at Oak Ridge Cemetery. Our business meeting was held at the airport and eight members attended. Lola Sweetwood is now Mrs. Smith and has left us to live in Grand Rapids, Michigan (much to our regret) and our new Secy-Treas is the post card collector Mary Hammel of Joliet.

We still want to airmark Illinois but are a little disconcerted by the fact that our state seems

to be ----y with munitions factories and we can't mark the towns nearby. What would you do?

Several of us are heading for Detroit on November 8 and 9 for the Sectional meeting. We will probably fly by bus.

We are all waiting with bated breath for Midge Meuser, the tropical bomb from Joliet to get that Instructor's rating. Wish we could write it here, but a deadline is a deadline.

● MICHIGAN CHAPTER

By Eloise Smith

First, we must apologize for failing to report the September meeting which was held in Saginaw in conjunction with the Lawn Patrol. Most important business was election of officers, the results of which appeared in the October News Letter.

Next, we want to congratulate Babe Weyant for winning her Commercial certificate almost two months ago.

Kalamazoo 99'ers held their October meeting at the Airport and Seaplane Base. Twenty-five members and guests enjoyed sausages and hot applesauce and were then treated to seaplane rides.

Plans were laid for meetings to be held in Ann Arbor during the winter. It is hoped University professors and laboratory material will be available for a course of lectures on the airplane motor. The Christmas party is to be at Mrs. Rufus' home and just to drop a hint, if you have never used chop sticks, we suggest you practice before that date.

After many postponements All Girl Flyer's Day took place at Hartung Airport, Detroit, on October 18. Even then low ceilings prevented all events but spot landing and bomb dropping. The Hartung trophy went to Faye Kirk for high score. Helen Montgomery lectured on "Gliding" in Kalamazoo at a meeting sponsored by the local Aviatrix Club.

● EASTERN IOWA CHAPTER

By Margaret Swendsen

Some difficulty has been experienced this summer and fall in getting all our members together at one time. In June it was the wind again and our first anniversary meeting was poorly attended. In July we met at the Ottumwa airport, guests of Mrs. Clifton Olsson, wife of the airport manager there. Marjorie Smith gave an account of the National Convention.

The weather interfered again with our August meeting. The air show Committee of the Sheldon Air Show had invited the 99'ers for breakfast on Sunday morning of the Air Show, but low ceiling and rain prevented us from making the trip.

In September we held our meeting in Des Moines with 10 girls present. Five new names have been added to our membership list: Thelma Breese, Kathryn Sauerberg, Barbara Hudson, Virginia Snodgrass, and Phyllis Pooley.

Nominations for officers were made at the September meeting and ballots sent to the members with the following results: Chairman, Margaret Swendsen; Vice-Chairman, Winifred Eno; and Secy-Treas, Natalie Ellis. Barbara Hudson will be our new Reporter.

Two of our members have left us, temporarily, and will continue to be members of Eastern Iowa Chapter. Bernie Eno and Helen Jeanne Johnston have gone to Fort Leavenworth, Kansas to be with their 49'ers, stationed at Sherman Field, Iowa National Guard



SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION

ARKANSAS CHAPTER

By Virginia Rayburn

This will announce the formation of the new Arkansas Chapter of the 99's. The following are the present members: Emma Lou Walden, of Conway; Janis Huey of North Little Rock; Dorothy Wilcox, Chairman, of Jonesboro; Edna Grace Sharrock, Secy-Treas. of Conway; Mrs. Joseph (Lee) Hogan of Little Rock, and Miss Geraldine Tribble of Stephens.

Dorothy has been an active 99'er for about a year. Edna Grace was the second member and then I (Virginia) wrote in about organizing a chapter and learned that Dorothy already had negotiations under way. So we met in Little Rock on November 2, filled out the Charter and set to work. Lee and Lucille will be active members by the time this goes to press.

All the girls came in for the Dawn Patrol breakfast, which was a record breaker - more than 350 people were present. These Dawn Patrols were started last March and I was the only girl to fly to the first one.

Gerry, Emma Lou, Dorothy and Janis are in college, Edna Grace is bookkeeper in college, Lee is a reporter on a newspaper and news commentator on a local radio station, Lucille is a dancing instructor and Virginia is a secretary in the State Highway Department.

We wish to invite all 99'ers to come to Arkansas and look us up - or maybe we can get together with some neighboring states just for the fun of it - in a manner similar to our Dawn Patrols.

Our Civil Defense Flying Service (CADS) is really going places. Here in Little Rock we have organized what we think is the very first all-women Flight (pilots, ground crew and everything - and we're taking the Red Cross first aid courses). We have over 25 members of this flight. Lee is Assistant Flight Commander and Virginia is Flight Commander - however we do have other women pilots.

● EASTERN OKLAHOMA CHAPTER

By Betty Whitlow

What a dull month this has been! We were all forced to be "stay-at-homes" by the torrential rains we have been having. When "Ole Sol" manages to peek out occasionally our hopes begin to shine a little only to be dampened again. Grace Stevenson is back with us having returned from Montana to the Spartan School of Aeronautics at Tulsa where she is instructing. Mabel Johnston is also now with the Spartan personnel, instructing the Tulsa Women's Air Corps.

Our chapter is holding a meeting between this reporting and the publication, so being no soothsayer, I cannot say what will go on there. Mrs. Malcom Clarke, Chairman of the Central Oklahoma Chapter has been invited to be with us and we are looking forward to meeting her and drawing the two Oklahoma Chapters closer together.

● SOUTHERN LOUISIANA CHAPTER By Maxine D. Bennett

Newly elected officers of Southern Louisiana Chapter are, Maxine D. Bennett, Chairman; Virginia Taylor, vice-Chairman; Marion Schorr, Secy-Treas., and Katherine Sigler, Reporter.

● NORTHERN LOUISIANA CHAPTER

By Frances Hodges

Officers of newly formed Northern Louisiana Chapter are, Chairman, Gail Wilbur; vice-Chairman and Sec Frances Hodges; Treas., Margaret Chamberlain.

● CENTRAL OKLAHOMA CHAPTER

By Wendy Farmer

Approximately twenty members and guests of the South Central Section concentrated their studies on aerodynamics and wind tunnels at the monthly breakfast held Sunday morning, November 2 at the Spinning Wheel in Norman.

Lawrence Cherry, instructor of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Oklahoma, gave an excellent discussion on these subjects. After breakfast, the group went to the recently completed University wind tunnel where Mr. Cherry explained its makeup and workings. R. V. James, head of the department of mechanics and co-ordinator of the University CPTP and Mrs. James, were special guests at the meeting.

● TEXAS CHAPTER

By Gwynn Banks

Hello 99'ers! The Texas Chapter hasn't had much news lately in the News Letter. Hope we can make up for it this time. We had our last state-wide meeting in Corsicana, Sept. 27-28. Thanks to the Chamber of Commerce, a good time was had by all. It was a real western meeting, complete with rodeo, barbecue, and barn dance.

Texas 99'ers have been busy getting licenses renewed and hangar flying during bad weather. Dixie Downing had her fun watching the cadets solo at the Army School in Coleman; besides doing some flying herself. Pat Branin, Braniff hostess, has purchased a block of time in order to renew her license. Gladys Ingenhuett is lucky enough to have her own airport at Comfort. She has been flying only a year and has over 100 hours. Enid Koop is studying for a ground instructor's rating. Florene Miller keeps busy at the Odessa Airport by teaching a class of CPT students, several private students, and a ground school as well. Jimmie Kolp, Electra was on radio station KGKO as the "Woman of the Week" in September.

All Texas 99'ers have given favorable comments on the new "Song of the Ninety-Nines."

Chairman Abbie Haddaway is planning another meeting of the Texas 99's in the near future.

● COLORADO CHAPTER

By Jane Best Nettleblad

At our last breakfast meeting held in Denver, October 19, we chose every 3rd Sunday for regular meetings. Our November meeting will be held in Colorado Springs at the Broadmoor Hotel, weather permitting. Donna Myers, who is our Vice-Governor, has left Denver to join her 49^{er} at Chickasha, Okla. We will miss Donna, but the Oklahoma Chapter will have a valuable addition. Ruth Woodworth was elected the new Membership Chairman.

We are trying to interest all Colorado girls with licenses to join our Chapter. We decided to put notices in the papers in every town where there are girls eligible, inviting them to be at our November meeting in Colorado Springs.

Next month we hope that a list of new members will be in our news, and until then, best wishes.



NEW ENGLAND SECTION

By C. M. Sheridan

In the spring, Marjorie Davis, our Vice-Governor reported a plan by which the New England Section had pledged itself to aid the Red Cross Disaster Commission in the event of a possible emergency. Now Marjorie reports that in the past month, during the maneuvers here in Mass., the Red Cross Disaster Division staged a simulated disaster as part of the program. Mr. Rice called Marjorie and asked her to dispatch 2 planes carrying medicine to Lee, Mass. where there had been a "disaster". In 7 minutes, Marjorie had contacted Ruth Hamilton and Hortense Harris and was on the phone again to Mr. Rice, telling him just what bundles each plane could carry and where to send them. Red Cross headquarters were delighted, and Marjorie has a sincerely appreciative letter to prove it.

Ruth Hamilton invited several prospective 99'ers to the monthly meeting and dinner at the Fox and Hounds Club and eight accepted her invitation.

Ruth Ingalls is the proud possessor of an instructor's rating.

The girls were delighted to see Daisy Kirkpatrick who made a recent trip with her husband in a Cub on floats, equipped with extra gas tanks and 2-way radio to Ste. Javite, Canada. Daisy had an interesting letter from Nancy Bird Walton, internationally known flyer from Australia. She has an organization training girls for the WAAF.

Finally, do let Marjorie Davis know whether or not your Chapter would be interested in offering its services to the Red Cross! Here's your chance to do something constructive!



NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY SECTION

By Gertrude C. Brown

At a meeting in Town Hall Club October 20, Peggy Remy was appointed Chairman of the Membership Committee, and Gertrude C. Brown Reporter.

Plans were discussed for our annual dinner dance and it was decided that January 23 would be the best time, everyone having recovered from the holidays by then. It will be held in the St. Regis Hotel, and the subscription will be the same as last year. Cecile Hamilton gave a short talk on the Civilian Defense Program, and I hope to be able to give more information on this in the next issue. Cecile did mention however that the Government is now developing a Civilian Air Defense Unit and anything the girls could do now to prepare themselves for participation would be that much time saved.

Mary Reifschneider is now taking aerial pictures for the Passaic Herald News.

Frances Hasbrouck, Ruth Heller and Ruth Frankling were hostesses to 99'ers at Kingston airport on the 11th, but the weather was so bad that only three arrived to eat the luncheon prepared for 20. Please invite us again.

● CONNECTICUT CHAPTER

By Elise Owen

Nancy Hopkins Tier gave the Connecticut Chapter a buffet supper October 25 at her charming house in its fairy story setting in Cheshire. Uncle Victor's ragout gave the evening a very special fillip and made us want to meet Uncle Victor. Nancy's 49ther showed movies of early ventures in aviation. Two prospective new members were introduced. Cheshire apple juice and Yankee doughnuts rounded off a delightful evening. Plans are being formed for regular monthly meetings of interest not only to 99'ers but to all who fly enthusiastically. These will be announced at our next meeting.



MIDDLE EASTERN SECTION

EASTERN PENN CHAPTER

By Bettie Thompson

Your old news reporter is pinch hitting this month for our new reporter, Doris Stansbury because she wasn't at our last meeting, held October 19 at the Reading Municipal Airport. Hostess was Leona McElroy. At the meeting we voted to elect Catherine Slocum of Bryn Mawr Vice-Chairman of the Chapter to replace Mary Hoch who is no longer a member. Discussed was state airmarking, and a chapter plan to give one girl in the chapter some free flying time every six months. The plan: Every chapter member present at a meeting puts .25 in the kitty. If a girl misses a meeting, she mails in .50. At the end of six months a drawing is held and the lucky girl gets the money to use for flying time. Girl who wins is then not eligible again until all the others have had a chance to win award. The plan will be discussed further and voted on at the next meeting.

FLASH: Any girls interested in free Link Trainer course write Casey Jones, 1100 Raymond Blvd., Newark, N. J. for information and application. The December class is full but they are trying to make arrangements with Civil Service and other schools and those girls who write him for applications will be notified as soon as something definite is decided.

IMPORTANT: If you approve the passage of a bill changing CAR to read "a person who has 20/20 vision with glasses but not the required 20/50 without glasses may be granted a commercial if said person always carries an extra pair of the proper correcting lenses in an unbreakable case while operating aircraft" - WRITE HON. DONALD H. CONNOLLY, ADMINISTRATOR OF CIVIL AERONAUTICS, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, WASHINGTON, D. C. ASKING HIM TO BACK SUCH A BILL.



SOUTHEASTERN SECTION

TENNESSEE CHAPTER

By Ruth Wolfe Thomas

The Chattanooga 99'ers played hostesses to the Tennessee Chapter October 26, and what a day they had planned. Mrs. Nell Behr, our Governor, was a welcome visitor. She, Papa Behr and the three little Behr's and their maid flew over from Anderson, South Carolina in the family Waco. The Chapter presented Mrs. Behr with a corsage of yellow and white Chrysanthemums, and Lt. Behr took movies of this and many other things on the trip. We were then taken out on Chicamauga Lake - one of the TVA lakes, in a big Chris Craft owned by Tyler Morton. Ruth Stanford was the

gas in the engine of this idea. We had lunch on the boat - eating and sightseeing all at the same time. The wind came up on the return trip but choppy water didn't bother us. Penny banks were turned in to the secretary.

Next meeting will be in Johnson City the last Sunday in November.

99'ers who belong to the Tennessee Valley Air Tours unit will go to Chattanooga this week-end for a surprise party Saturday night and tours the next a.m. The surprise party is a hay ride and hangar dance. Stake downs are free as well as transportation to and from town.

If you live in a vicinity covered by a Scripps-Howard newspaper, get them to start an Air Tours unit there. Scripps-Howard has the name and idea copy-righted. There are no membership fees and observers as well as pilots may belong.

● CAROLINAS CHAPTER

By Cornelia Wolfe

I am sorry that I missed our last meeting, but I understand everyone enjoyed it. All Carolinas 99'ers were honored guests of the Carolinas' Aero Club at a banquet at the Robert E. Lee Hotel in Winston Salem October 25. The meeting was held in order that plans for organizing Civilian Flying could be discussed. This is a very important issue all over the country and we want to do our part toward organizing in order that we may still be allowed to fly and yet not interfere with the National Defense Program. The monthly meeting was held Sunday noon at the Winston-Salem Airport with about 10 members present. This was our first visit to Winston-Salem and a very grand one.

Several new applications for membership were received and we hope that by January 1, we will have 50 enrolled in our Carolinas Chapter. The girls reported that with all the Air Maneuvers in and around Charlotte, the women are watching the men for the present. Some of you who have not seen this Aerial Mock Warfare, cannot imagine what you have missed.

● FLORIDA CHAPTER

By Evelyn McRae

Nineteen members of our swiftly growing chapter attended the Fort Lauderdale meeting November 2, at the airport, many flying in from various parts of the state. Celeste Dervaes from Tampa asks us over there for our November 30 meeting. We welcome into our midst two charming sisters from Lakeland, Ruth and Mary Clifford, and Dr. Margaret Williams of Miami, who just received her private on a seaplane last week.

Chairman Marion Bertram conducted a rapid fire session during which Air Maneuvers activity was discussed and the highly important issue of the day, i.e., advanced training for women for defense flying. We finally adjourned in order to make our schedule at Homestead, 50 miles south of Lauderdale, where after flying down en-masse, we were officially present while Hazel Raines, our vice-chairman, gave "Miss Redlands", the beauty queen, her first flying lesson. Miss LaNelle Rogers was chosen for the title and will compete at the Air Maneuvers for the title of "Miss Aviation". The Florida Chapter has a distinct interest in Miss Rogers as she will be our official hostess at Homestead for the 99 event January 9.

AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL FUND

Alma H. Harwood, Chairman

The Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship is a memorial to Amelia Earhart, First President of the 99's, whose untiring efforts, help and interest in women pilots inspired us to have a living memorial to help some woman earn her living by flying.

Any 99'er is eligible who is earning or intends to earn her living and support by flying and who has acquired no less than 200 hours of solo time, and who needs financial aid in attaining a higher rating to further her career. Patricia Thomas, who received the first scholarship award, has passed her written test for instrument rating, and is starting on her flight training.

Only the interest of the fund is to be used and we are at present endeavoring to raise that principal to a sum large enough so that the interest will amount to no less than \$150.00. At present the principal deposited in the savings bank amounts to \$2,578.86. \$150.00 requires a principal of at least \$6,000.00 if interest at the rate of 2½ percent can be had.

Everyone writes approving banks, so new ones are on the way for 1942.

This year each Section Governor or Chapter Chairman is being asked to appoint a Bank Captain whose duties will be to distribute the banks, keep a list of the girls who have banks and send a duplicate list to me.

Re-mailing or re-expressing banks sent to girls who do not get them at a meeting will be repaid, so bank Captains should keep account of their expenses as well as the names of all who have been given banks at meetings. This is due to the increase in membership. In this way a local Captain can supervise the distribution, collect money when bank is filled, send it to Jeannette Lempke, and replace the banks that have been filled with new ones.

Let us work hard and collect pennies so that the award can stand alone next year and can be made from the interest which will have been contributed by all the 99's.

● SPECIAL NOTICE:

Florida Chapter welcomes you to Miami All American Air Maneuvers, January 9, 10, 11. Hotel reservations should be made early. The McAllister Hotel will give us a rate of approximately \$3.50 single; \$5.00 to \$6.00 double, (all with bath). Try to make your reservation by December 15. Those preferring to stay at the Columbus Hotel should make reservations by December 1. 99 Registration desk will be in the Columbus Hotel in the official Air Maneuvers Headquarters in lobby. We want your photograph for the 99 booth at the Air Show and for publicity purposes. Please send it now to Mrs. Irene Haworth, 418 N.E. 12th Ave., Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, who is in charge of booth decoration. (Photos to remain property of Florida Chapter.)

Have Y O U filled in and returned the questionnaire about closed course racing, and flying in the special 99 event? For further particulars about any of the above write Evelyn McRae, Box 308, Miami Springs.

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 pertaining to aviation and of the national aviation associations. Enlistment will be voluntary, will be open to both ground and flight personnel, and to men and women. There will be a nationally uniform training directive. Assignment to duty will depend upon the merit and abilities of the member and the amount of time he or she is able to volunteer. There will be no remuneration for service. To prevent grounding in event of actual war, it may not be necessary to be enlisted in the Civil Air Patrol, However, we are advised in this matter that "The future must hold its own answer."

Booklets, describing in detail the program of the Civil Air Patrol and containing enlistment blanks, are in process of printing. They will be distributed through airport managers, C A A offices, State Departments of Aviation, and Wing Command Offices of the Civil Air Patrol. Public announcement of the CAP will probably be made about the time this letter reaches you. We advise you to carefully study the CAP booklet before requesting further information. If you are then unable to obtain all the information you wish, please feel free to consider your 99 HQ as your clearing house.

The 99's are well represented in the national offices of the CAP. Helen McClosky Rough...99'er, commercial pilot, wife of Howard Rough of the C A A... is acting in an advisory capacity to the Executive Director, Gill Robb Wilson. Cecile Hamilton...99'er, commercial pilot, former executive secretary of the 99's, secretary to Gill Robb Wilson... is also at CAP headquarters in an advisory capacity.

There will probably be a period of comparative inactivity between the time the CAP is announced and the time operations get under way due to details of organization being set up and enlistment applications being checked. For those that wish to start now in their work for the CAP, we advise that no time be lost in studying First Aid and securing your Third Class Radio Licenses. These will be items of work to be done and you can save your future time for more vital aviation studies if you do these now. For First Aid, contact your local Red Cross, Defense Council, or other civilian defense organization for class enlistment. For your radio license we have obtained a large supply of Questions and Answers for Restricted Radio Telephone Operators Permit from the C A A. These booklets were published in July 1941. A number of these are being sent to each Section Governor and Chapter Chairman to be distributed at the Section and Chapter meetings. Or you may receive a copy by writing to the 99's Headquarters, Willard Hotel, Washington D. C. Ten of the questions given will appear in the exam. Apply at your local office of the FCC for application blanks. You must have a birth certificate and, if married, you must have a marriage license; also a photograph not exceeding 2 1/2" x 3 1/2". The test is simple and when you receive your license you will be just one more step on the road to being of service to your country in its civilian air defense. Don't wait to be told what to do. Here are two things you can do now. If you have already accomplished these items, start reviewing your map reading, your meteorology, familiarize yourself with local defense set ups, know your terrain within 50 mile radius of your airport, in short ... get to work.

We are a part of the vast civil air resources of the nation which has 91,000 licensed pilots, 90,000 student pilots, 100,000 mechanics, tower operators, airways men, meteorologists, radio operators, airport operators, 23,000 aircraft and 2,000 airports. The Civil Air Patrol is organizing all of these. We asked for a chance to do a job. Let's do it!

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