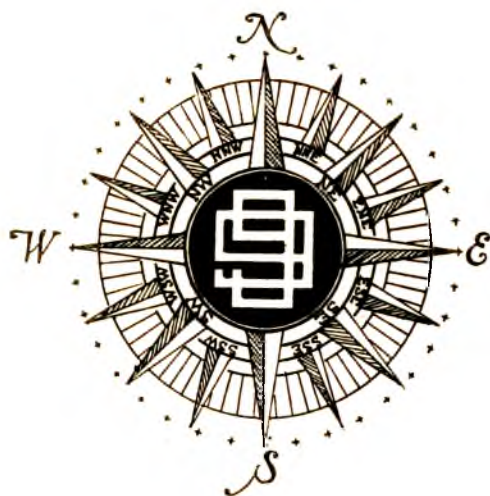


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CIVIL AIR PATROL OPEN TO 99'S

From the office of Civilian Defense comes news of the part women pilots, and the 99's in particular, may play in the defense of the nation. Letters have been sent out to all 99'ers regarding the program of the Civil Air Patrol. However, in case this was not received the following procedure is indicated to be followed: Secure an application for enlistment from your CAA Regional Office or airport manager; have your finger prints taken and three $1\frac{1}{2}$ x $1\frac{1}{2}$ inch pictures made. These are to be returned unfolded and unpasted with the application to the office of Civilian Defense, Washington, D. C.

Although the percentage of women available for this work is small it can be effective. The purpose of the Civil Air Patrol is to organize civilian aviation in such a way that it may be able to participate in the defense of our country. You will be assigned on the basis of your ability.

Workers needed other than pilots are: clerks, drivers of cars and ambulances, watchmen, and first aid personnel.

CERTIFICATES MAY BE REINSTATED

On December 8, all pilot certificates were suspended with the exception of pilots at schools where training activities are being conducted for the Government; at aircraft manufacturing plants; and in ferry activities. These may now be reinstated after satisfactory evidence of citizenship and loyalty, accompanied by positive identification, have been accepted by a designated representative of the CAA. Positive proof of identification must be presented at all times.

MIAMI ALL-AMERICAN AIR MANEUVERS CANCELLED

The Miami All-American Air Maneuvers previously scheduled to be held January 9-11 were "called off" the exact hour war was declared. However, the Aviation Ball to be staged at the Biltmore Hotel, January 10 will be held according to schedule. The Air Maneuvers Sweetheart contest has been renamed "Sweetheart of the Air Corps" and the selection will be made as originally planned.

The Florida Chapter's invitation is still open to attend these events, and greatly appreciated by the 99's.

Ninety-Nine Headquarters and the National Aeronautic Association extend the wishes of the season to all Ninety-Nine members.



SOUTH DAKOTA CHAPTER

By Laurine Nielson

Sodak 99'ers were guests of Mrs. Agnes DeHaven, Sioux City, Iowa, at a luncheon at her home on Sunday, November 16. It was the regular business meeting of the Missouri Valley Chapter. Four members from our chapter were present, including Clara Schneider, Sioux Falls; Marie Abrahamson, Vermillion; Mrs. Hal Willhite, whose special guest was Olive Ringarud, Secretary of State for South Dakota. They Cub-Cruised in to the meeting. We might mention-Mrs. Willcox's joining makes us now 13. But we are not superstitious at all. We are proud of that total! Local papers report that our member at Gregory has the interests of aviation at heart. Rubye Light, teacher in the Public Schools there, helped sponsor "The Flying Aces" club, organized to promote flying and model-building. "Keep 'em Flying", Rubye!

This month we are inaugurating a new feature, an aviation sketch of our various members. We start the series rolling with our chapter chairman, Nelle Willhite, who, we are proud to relate, was one of the original 99'ers. She started flying in 1927 when the only triangular course most of us were acquainted with was diapers. She soloed an OX Eaglerock from the Dakota Airlines field at Renner, S. D. on Friday the 13th in January 1928 after 13 hours of dual instruction. She was also the 13th student to enroll in the school. In the fourteen intervening years between now and then, she has flown Eaglerock, Travelair, Kinner Sports, Fleet, Buhl Pup, OX Waco, Kinner Bird, co-piloted a Ford with Clyde Ace and of late, piloted Cub Cruiser and Aeronca. Mrs. Willhite who is a teacher in the high school in Sioux Falls, flies for the sport and to keep her commercial license #8242. She is South Dakota's first woman commercial pilot.



LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

by Hilda Jarmuth

The Breakfast Flight on November 16 to Evelyn Kilgore's Tri-City Airport at San Bernardino was a good game of hide-and-seek, with sunshine and clear visibility at Burbank, almost ceiling-zero over Los Angeles and Tri-City. A number of planes flew in, but took off again right after breakfast, as the weather seemed to frown. Irene Slagel flew her Fairchild with Dorothy Kinsman; Bessie Owen came from Santa Barbara, Ethel Sheehy flew her Luscombe; the San Berdu (short for Bernardino) girls came via sundry conveyances. To make everybody happy, Monday morning dawned bright and clear with CAVO. Oh well, we must have our "unusual" days.

Ruth Nichols from the New York Chapter is in Los Angeles busy with her Wings for Defense program. and we wish her lots of success with Relief Wings. A splendid idea. At a luncheon at the Hotel Alexandria, Ruth, together with her secretary, Miss Smith, told Irene Slagel and Hilda Jarmuth all about it, and explained how and where 99's can be of help.

This Chapter welcomes three new members, we saw listed in the November News Letter. They are: Frances Neff of Mesa; Mary Ellen Owens of Phoenix, and Mrs. Blanche Wraske of Yuma. Arizona certainly can be

proud. We hope you girls can surprise us and attend one of our meetings soon - perhaps the Christmas Party, yes?

Signing off - Hasta la Vista.



WESTERN MISSOURI CHAPTER

By Elizabeth Foley

Miss Ruth Nichols paid the Western Missouri 99's a visit during her recent campaign for "Relief Wings". The famous flier was a dinner guest of the local chapter the evening of October 6, at which time she explained the organization and aims of the group she heads.

The regular dinner meeting of the Chapter was held November 25, with the business meeting following the delicious meal served at the Donnelly Clubhouse. Several copies of "The Song of the 99's" were given to attending members and, with the President, Virginia Garst, at the piano, nearly all the girls learned the melody.

In keeping with 99'ers throughout the U. S., and at the suggestion of Miss Nichols, this Chapter voted to take the standard First Aid Course offered by the Red Cross. The first lesson was given December 4th at the home of Helen Hayward, who has graciously offered the group this accommodation for the entire study. Thirteen members enrolled and, at the suggestion of the local director of Red Cross, will take not only the standard course in First Aid, but also the advanced study at the same time. On December 5, the Kansas City Star published a large picture of Lee Lynn applying bandages to Mrs. Hayward, with Mr. M. V. Spizzirri, the instructor, supervising. This was part of a campaign to enroll more of the public in Red Cross work, and this chapter of 99's is glad to assist in the work.

● MICHIGAN CHAPTER

By Eloise Smith

The North Central Section meeting was so much fun! It started off with a chop suey supper at Alice Hammond's lovely home in Grosse Pointe Farms. After some hilarious get-acquainted games the guests settled down to hangar flying. Your reporter tried hard to hear all the experiences being recounted and the result goes something like this: "When we broke out of the fog we were directly over a Canadian Air Force field. We left right then." --Sara Winn--"Never landed after dark, strange field, but I followed the ship ahead--didn't even bounce"--Doris Buzzard--"Wouldn't have been necessary to use auto gas, then, if I had studied my ground school better"--Maude Rufus.

Zeroish ceilings prevented the arrival of many outstate members. Belle Hetzel, Section Governor, of Iowa, and Gretchen Gorman, of Chicago, came by Airlines, enjoying the opportunity to observe instrument flying. Belle did some herself recently when she was caught in the fog over Council Bluffs. A hole in the stuff allowed her to land on what turned out to be the only flat patch for miles around. Doris Schory refused to let a sprained ankle keep her in Kokomo, but only Marion Coddington and Barbara Selby, of Akron, had the temerity to fly in. Marion admitted nothing except that she had a good comeback in case the authorities questioned her right to be out.

Everyone was on hand Sunday morning for breakfast in the beautiful Aviation Room of the Detroit Leland.

Section officers were elected as follows: Belle Hetzel, Governor - Patricia Dickerson, Vice-Governor-Gladys Hartung, Secretary-Treasurer.

It was agreed to offer our whole hearted cooperation to the Committee for Civilian Air Defense.

Congratulations to Mabel Britton who now has all of the Primary Ground school ratings.

● SOUTHERN WISCONSIN CHAPTER By Dorothy Bryant

Get-together meetings were held on November 9, and 16 at the Municipal Airport with breakfast and short flights on the amusement schedule.

Mary Belle Ahlstrom (Via Culver Cadet) and myself represented our chapter at the "All Out for Defense" meeting called by the Wisconsin Civil Air Corps to promote the organization of a Wisconsin Air Wing of the National Guard held at Waukesha, Wisconsin on November 16. We hated to miss the get-together at home but had a visit with the 99's from Milwaukee who were there also. Mrs. Beard, Caryl Jones, Barbara Fisher and Carol (Tiny) Reis are also Wisconsin Civil Air Corps members.

Mrs. Beard entertained the 99's at her home with a help-get-it breakfast last Sunday. We had a wonderful time and talked over plans for the rest of the month. A breakfast flight to Beaver Dam is planned, and several of the girls are meeting to study for their Radio Telephone licenses.

Marcia Courtney who is now employed by Piper Corp., was one of the girls selected to have pictures taken for publicity in connection with the delivery of the new Cub planes to the Army recently. We also hear she has been offered a position with the Traffic Control Division and is waiting for orders to report. Congratulations Marcia and best wishes from all your 99 friends.

Barbara Fisher and Caryl Jones are spending time in the air preparatory to having their certificates renewed and the rest of us use just any excuse and opportunity to get off the ground.

● INDIANA CHAPTER By Bertah Topping

Does everyone know Pat Dickerson from Lafayette is our new District Vice-Governor? At the November 23rd meeting we were informed that Pat was elected to that office. The meeting was at Lafayette. The weather was so bad no one flew. The women flyers from Terre Haute had planned to fly to the meeting, but when the weather settled in everyone had to drive, and some of the girls didn't get there at all. Altogether, there were only nine members present. Doris Schory was the only girl from Indiana at the meeting in Detroit, and she gave a very interesting report of the meeting. We had a delicious breakfast at the Student Union Building on the Purdue Campus. We have two new members from Terre Haute, Marie Thompson and Helen Daniels, one new member from Anderson, Miss Hendricks, and Patty Shea from Indianapolis.

I know everyone will be sorry to hear of the death of the mother of our chairman, Helen Wetherill.

After being grounded in Lansing, Michigan for five days, I thought I could get through to Terre Haute but due to fog and rain I could get no farther

than Lafayette, where I had the pleasure of being Pat Dickerson's guest for over-night, and she has some very interesting news for us. Emily Squiers will have the pleasure of introducing us to her 49¹/₂er, Amos Richardson, who has a Cub. So we are looking forward to seeing Emily flying to the meetings in their Cub.

Helen Daniels and I have been having a grand time going to Evansville and Vincennes, contacting eligible girls for membership in the 99's.

● ILLINOIS CHAPTER By Jerry Truesdell

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all you 99's and 49¹/₂ers from the Illinois Chapter. We hope the ole man with the whiskers brought you that airplane you wanted, or whatever.

Dorothy Ring Jenkins has left our midst to go to New Mexico (we think) with her 49¹/₂er. He is a Secondary Instructor and has been transferred there. We are sorry to lose Dot and hope she will not be gone too long.

By the way, any of you who haven't read the 99 page in the November issue of NATIONAL AERONAUTICS should read it right now-quick like a mouse. It is really to the point and should get us all to thinking of just how we can make all the women pilots in these United States "99 conscious".

Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, December 7 at Paddy Adelman's in Joliet and we are really going to start working on a membership drive which is a membership drive. "Keep 'em Flying" includes the 99's-and don't think it doesn't-and we are the only one who can do something about it... (end of sermon).

Well, comes fair weather (and more stuff from the Aero. Commission) we will be rushing around smartly with our paint cans, marking Illinois towns.

● EASTERN MISSOURI CHAPTER By Mary Raymon

Our party on the night of the 8th went off like an alarm clock and awakened everyone to the fact that we have a bunch of live wire women pilots on the field. Verna, as always, put over her songs with plenty of whamsy and Billie Gallagher with her partner, Ray Quinlan, gave us an exhibition of the rhumba that was a joy to behold. Adela Scharr added to the merriment by conducting a Sadie Hawkins dancing contest for the single lads and lassies that had the rest of us rolling in the aisles. One of the features of the evening was the vote by all of our guests to choose the most popular woman pilot of Lambert Field. Verna Burks won the title, "Miss High Flyer of 1941" and was presented with a trophy by Oscar Parks, the manager of the field.

On Sunday, November 16, we held a breakfast meeting in the Field Room which was attended by 25 local women pilots. At that time we cleaned up on all the financial odds and ends of our sale of dance tickets and also tried to get an idea of how many of us intend to fly to the Air Races in Miami. So far only three have made tangible arrangements to be there. Sally Soutter, Verna Burke and your reporter are flying down in Verna's Stinson and plan to stay for a few weeks and acquire a nice Florida tan.

Beryl Edwards has been far too sick for the last six weeks. We hope that she will be back soon.

● MISSOURI VALLEY CHAPTER By Dorothy Broadfield

Flash—99'ers invade Sioux City, Iowa.

Arriving by plane, bus, and car, twenty 99'ers from Nebraska, Iowa and South Dakota, congregated at the home of Agnes De Haven for a delicious Brunch. A short meeting was held afterwards, and plans for raising money were discussed.

Two Governors were present and three sections represented. Olive Ringsrud, Secretary of State of South Dakota, was a guest, having flown in from Sioux Falls with Nelle Willhite. She created a lively interest by telling our future by reading our palms. 49½ers De Haven, Maxfield, and Nestle assisted in transporting 99'ers from ships to meeting.

Gwen Hess and Mae Sharp attended the Dawn Patrol Breakfast at Norfolk, Nebraska.

● ALL-OHIO CHAPTER By Helen Ernst

On the 16th of November, the All-Ohio Chapter was entertained with a Brunch at the Highland Links Country Club, Canton, with Helen Ernst and Sylvia Frantz as hostesses. In spite of a high wind and freezing weather several of the members flew in, while Florence Boswell, our chairman, drove due to having her Cessna down for a check-up.

Grace Birge and Ruth Stoneman arrived from Chagrin Falls in a Taylorcraft; Kay Greshauge breezed in from Willoughby with a male passenger, who made an unusual addition to our meeting. In spite of adverse weather conditions between Toledo and Canton, Jeannette Whitman's Interstate Cadet came through with flying colors and we were glad to welcome Jeannette as a new member.

While waiting for the planes to land we all talked 99's to such an extent that Jean Greenham of Canton joined our ranks and while we were discussing the advantages of being a member in flew Thelma Kennedy with co-pilot Betty Thompson, both from Mansfield. When the Aeronca K.C.A. they were flying left the ground, Thelm was a new member.

Other members present and interested in the discussion of the Amelia Earhart Memorial Fund, were Marge Houser, Rose Wasil, Dorothy West and Barbara Selby, the latter two being greeted as new members. My how our chapter is growing! Ruth Stoneman was appointed Bank Captain for our chapter and we are asking all members who have not turned in their previous banks to do so and take another one to fill.

Five of our members, Florence Boswell, Grace Birge, Helen Ernst, Sylvia Frantz and Rose Wasil were entertained by the Akron Pilot's Club on Wednesday evening November 12, and participated in a "Quiz Bee" against Jim Borton, Gen. Aeromotives, Cleveland Airport; "Slim" Honrauth, pilot—owner of Sky-Haven Airport, Northfield; "Shorty" Fulton, Manager Akron Municipal Airport; Emmanuel Pierett, Boyer Technical School, Cleveland; and the famous Wilbur Shaw, auto racer and pilot. The "Consequences" which some of the contestants had to pay were a hilarious feature of the evening, with Rose Wasil giving "Shorty" Fulton his physical for a license, and she collected the usual \$6; while Wilbur Shaw gave Helen Ernst (our attractive red-head) a hundred hour check.

Our December meeting was an Xmas Party with the Akron Pilot's Club as guests on December 13th, at the home of Mrs. Florence H. Boswell.



COLORADO CHAPTER

By Jane Best Nettleblad

Colorado proudly reports this month seven new members and two new commercial licenses. The new CPT members are Shirley Myers and Sherry Whelan of Pueblo, Own Brothers of Colorado Springs, and Pat Christopher of Denver. Pat has completed both primary and secondard courses. Winifred Bean, Elizabeth Ann Nelson, and Alice Spann of Colorado Springs are the three other new members.

Congratulations are also in order for Ruth Gouthey and Dorothy Jones of Colorado Springs who earned their commercials this month.

Our breakfast flight to Colorado Springs was a perfect success with Dorothy Johnston, Ruth Woodworth, Marjory Cramp, Sylvia Powell, and your reporter flying from Denver and Shirley Myers flying with Melba Baleigh, a visitor from Pueblo. Florence Almers from Denver was a prospective new member.

During the meeting we discussed the 99 news in the November N A A magazine. We also discussed possible participation in the Colorado Springs air show to be held some time in the future.

After the foundation for several other plans had been laid, we set December 14 as the date for the flight to Pueblo. The Denver group met with the Colorado Springs girls for a mass flight.

We are also planning to cooperate with the Red Cross and other emergency agencies during the National crisis.

● SOUTHERN OKLAHOMA CHAPTER By Addie May Porter

The members of the Southern Oklahoma Chapter went Mexican in a big way at their monthly breakfast, December 7, at the El Charro in Oklahoma City. Some even found Spanish rice, chile, and enchilados palatable for breakfast.

A new and very welcome member at our meeting was Margaret Tolsted, a transfer member from Chicago. Margaret made a good start by taking over the duties of Secretary-Treasurer, which were released by Marie Vater because of her pressing duties as secretary to the Commander of the new Air Corps Basic Flying School in Enid.

Vae McKenzie flew into matrimony since our last meeting. The new 49½er is Mr. O. B. King of Chickasha.

By charging a member 25¢ for each absence, we hope to kill two birds with one stone; fewer absences at our meetings, and more money in the treasury.

● TEXAS CHAPTER By Gwynn Banks

The Texas Chapter members have all been busy finishing up their Red Cross First Aid Courses and some are doing lots of flying to renew their licenses. Ziggy Hunter recently received her Commercial and is teaching Ground School in Austin. Chairman Abbie Haddaway flew up to Denton recently where she visited Texas State College for Women. The college has extended an invitation to the 99 Club members to fly up for a Sunday morning breakfast and visit with the girls. Quite a few of the girls up there are interested in flying. Abbie also made an interesting pleasure trip to Vernon and Wichita Falls. In Elctra she had a nice visit with Jimmie Kolp.

Jean Holloway of Ft. Worth is busy flying her new Taylorcraft around the country and making trips to her West Texas ranch.

We have a new member; Rose McCoy of Ft. Worth.

The Chapter held a luncheon meeting December 1 at the Baker Hotel in Dallas. This meeting was held in connection with the First Annual Ft. Worth-Dallas Air Show at Arlington Downs. A good percentage of our members were present.

● NORTHERN LOUISIANA CHAPTER By Frances Hodges

On October 31, 1941 the Northern Louisiana Chapter of 99's was organized. This was accomplished mainly through the efforts of Gail Wilbur who consistently sent letters to Fanny Leonpacher and received answers that made her want to give a little and get a little from her 99 Membership. The five 99'ers who live in Shreveport banded together. They are: Mrs. Harlan Beene (Irene J.), Margaret Chamberlain, Frances Hodges, Gail Wilbur and Mrs. Ted Young (Annie Claire).

Officers elected were: Chairman-Gail Wilbur; Vice Chairman and Secretary-Frances Hodges, and Treasurer-Margaret Chamberlain.

Our meetings are to be every second Wednesday in the month. On November 12 we held our first meeting at the home of Margaret Chamberlain. We smoothed a great many of the rough edges, but there are still plenty left as we are all very green when it comes to 99 activities. We are open to any suggestions and will appreciate any help you may offer.

Shirley Simmons, one of our prospective members, gave us a very interesting talk on "Women in Aviation."

If any of you 99'ers are ever in Shreveport be sure to let us hear from you.

● SOUTHERN LOUISIANA CHAPTER By Maxine Dunlap Bennett

You haven't heard very much from us lately, but the Southern Louisiana Chapter is still here and perking right along.

On December 3, we had a very successful meeting which was held at Mary Virginia Taylor's home. We had four new girls attending, three of whom signed their application blanks, to wit: Jean Mac Rae, Georgia Fleming Jacobs, Mary Nell Lindsay and Vern Hibbard who is a prospective member and whom we hope to have as a full fledged member by our next meeting.

If you want Grandpa to flip a shaggy eyebrow, tell him about our prospective member who recently, at the age of five weeks, prevailed upon mother to take her on her first cross country flight. She is none other than Fanny Leonpacher's bundle of joy.

We are desolate about Mary Virginia Taylor leaving us to spend the next six months in Nassau. Your pinch hitting reporter is leaving to spend the holidays in Cuba-just wanna see if Sloppy Joe's is as sloppy as they say.

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By C. M. Sheridan

We are sorry that the dead-line date prevents our sending a complete account of the much anticipated 99 Dance to be held at the Vendome in Boston on December the fifth.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt heads the list of sponsors, among whom are the New England Governors; Admiral Tarrant, Commandant of the First Corps Area; Army officers and our inspectors.

There has been an immense amount of interest shown. Hortense Harris, General Chairman has received the hearty cooperation of all the members in carrying out her plans for a really good time. More later.



NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY SECTION

By Gertrude C. Brown

Two 99'ers, Irene Crum and Dorothy Mackay, have just completed the three months Link Trainer instructor course at Binghamton, being the first two girls to be so trained.

Pat Werder of Buffalo has her instructor's rating and is working at Bell Airport. Betty Pierce has obtained her radio telephone 3rd Class license as have Mary Nicholson and Betty Schmidt. Betty has also passed for commercial rating and is waiting for the planes at Roosevelt Field to be allowed to fly to take her flight test for instructor's rating.

Frances Hasbrouck announces that after December 1 the airport at Kingston will be closed, and she is starting operations at the airport at Sanford, Fla., about 25 miles north of Orlando. Gas and hangar space will be available, and all 99'ers welcome.

Dr. R. H. Spaulding, head of the aviation department of New York University, spoke at the meeting on December 8.

● CONNECTICUT CHAPTER By Mary Lee Wilkerson

Competitors of Sherlock Holmes, no less, for we found the man who found the answer to how to get to and from the airport in comfort and without charging through the defense traffic. This gentleman was none other than Igor Sikorsky and the answer was his helicopter.

It was on November 13th at the attractive home of our hostess, Dorothy Levy, where we met and talked with this most interesting, and ingenious personage. Not only were the 99'ers and their guests there, but also engineers from Vought Sikorsky Aircraft and photographers. Accompanying Mr. Sikorsky's informal lecture on the design, operation and use of his helicopter, were colored motion pictures showing its incredible ability to hover in flight and to take off vertically. Two sticks and pedals are the controls for changing the pitch of the main rotor and the two geared rotors located at the rear of the fuselage in a vertical and horizontal position. That's right--no rudder, wing, nor stabilizer. One of its remarkable features is that it can be flown in gusty weather as its lift is not affected by sudden changes in the velocity of the air. The ensuing discussion was so worthwhile that most of us stayed on and on.

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Future speakers to be heard on the second Friday of the month at 8:30 p.m. at the Brainerd Field Administration Building, Hartford include: E. J. Christie, Chief Meteorologist of the Hartford Weather Bureau; J. F. Smith, inventor of the modern rip-cord parachute; J. G. Lee, Asst. Director of Research at United Aircraft Corp.; and T. W. Kenyon, Chief Designer of Sperry Gyroscope Co. Elise Owen was the originator of this aeronautical lecture series.

Last month two of our members flew Prof. Koppen's Skyfarer and were much impressed by its inability to spin, attitude in landing, engine mount, tricycle landing gear, and ease in handling.



TENNESSEE CHAPTER

by Ruth Wolfe Thomas

To all 99'ers--may I introduce Miss Betty Jane Schmann of Nashville. Our newest member is physical instructor at Ward-Belmont. Our other Nashville member is Lorraine Buttrey. Get together, you all.

Tennessee 99'ers held their regular monthly meeting in Johnson City Sunday, November 30. Members present were: Pearl Brock, Chairman; Jane Gump, Vice-Chairman; Louise Carson, Ruth Crosier, Ruth Stanford, Mrs. Zachry, (flying grandmother), Gladys Lacey, Cora McDonald and Ruth W. Thomas. Extra special guests were Morton Tyler (Ruth Stanford) and our chairman's 49ther - Fred Brock. Mr. Brock noting the unusual quietness of Mr. Morton consoled him with the statement that he knew just how he felt. (Mr. Brock has missed only one 99 meeting.)

99'ers were plentiful on Thanksgiving day when flyers from all over Eastern Tennessee met at the Morristown Emergency Airport for Thanksgiving dinner. It was called a Turkey Flight.

Visitors in Knoxville the past month were Gladys Lacey just on a cross country and Jane Gump on her way home from a Florida vacation. Another Florida vacationer is Millie Ownby.

Louise Press - a recent bride - is transferring her membership to the Washington chapter. Best wishes to Louise and to the Washington Chapter - you have a swell new member.

Cora McDonald is looking for a flying service in need of a manager. She has one spotted in Ohio and any day we might get word that she has taken it over.

To our editor - We Tennesseans are in favor of all getting radio licenses and are all working on it diligently. There is a race as to who will be the first one.

Greetings to Lila Chapman of Memphis, Lorraine Buttrey and our new member of Nashville and Laura Perritt of Florence, Ala. We miss you at our meetings. Sorry you are so far away.

● CAROLINAS CHAPTER

By Cornelia Wolfe

Our Chapter was delightfully entertained by the Hawthorne School of Aeronautics at Orangeburg, S. C. on Sunday, November 30. This was the day the airport was dedicated and also the morning for the breakfast meeting of the S. C. Aerial Club. There were 26 civilian planes in and nine 99 members present. Bird Eaton and Dorothy Scarborough drove down from Charlotte, Nell Behr flew in from Anderson, Louise Smith and Anne Cole flew down from Greensboro bringing Irene Hook from Elon College with them. Aileen Wash

drove up from Greenwood and I came over from Sumter. Our ninth member present was Barbara Vaughn--present for the first time. She has moved to Orangeburg from Asheville and is now employed by the Hawthorne School. We feel she is very fortunate in having this position and that it will be a boost to her interests in aviation.

We enjoyed the delightful breakfast in the Cadet Mess Hall and were then entertained by the breath-taking aerobatics of the world-famous flyer, Beverly Howard. He has a special clipped-wing Piper Cub Trainer in which he does his stunting and a consensus of opinion rates him as the "World's Greatest Light Plane Stunt Flyer". Hats off to you, Bevo!

After the show there was a short business meeting at which time Penny Banks were discussed, also several applications were reviewed. Our membership is steadily growing and we are proud of its progress. The main interest in our group at the present time is to do our part in the formation and organizing of Civilian flyers for National Defense.



WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER

The District of Columbia Chapter of the 99's met at the Willard Hotel on December 10. Eleven members were present.

Claire Callaghan was elected Chairman to replace Mrs. Ruth Hurst who has left for Alaska. Lu Lu Shank was elected to fill Miss Callaghan's place as Vice-Chairman.

Cecile Hamilton discussed the plan of the Civil Air Patrol. All members signed up for volunteer work at the Civilian Defense Office, to help put the plan in action. Present to add to the discussion were Mrs. Helen Rough and Mrs. Nancy Love.

Plans were discussed for the formation of a Red Cross First Aid class. Una Goodwin agreed to take the instructor's course and do all she could for the group in this regard.

● EASTERN PENN CHAPTER

By Doris Stansbury

November 16 brought nine of our members together at Wings Field, Ambler, Pa., with our new Vice-Chairman, Catherine Slocum, a most charming hostess.

After a delicious luncheon at the airport club house we stripped the table clean of its decorations of airplanes, parachutists, and (real) flowers. (We didn't do a bad job on the food either, come to think of it!)

The business meeting was conducted by Bettie Thompson, who presented latest developments in the industry which interests us most, namely the bill pending in Congress to amend commercial eyesight requirements; the free Link Trainer course of Casey Jones; the Miami Air Races; the new 99 Chapter charters, and many other details. Our Secretary-Treasurer, Leona McElroy, has temporarily turned over her office to Bea Hymen. Why? You guessed it! Leona expects a fledgling in January.

If the meeting we have planned for December is a success we shall be able to point with pride to a rejuvenated treasury. 'Nuff said about that until next month.

WE HAVE AMONG OUR MEMBERS----

Eighteen-year-old Carolyn Dingman of Syracuse, New York, who recently became the youngest commercial pilot in the United States. Miss Dingman is a Freshman at Syracuse University where she is the only feminine student in the university's new aeronautical engineering course. Flying isn't her only interest. Music and riding share her enthusiasm.

Lillian M. Smith of Hamilton Ohio—librarian, book-keeper, flight and ground instructor. Another versatile 99'er.

Irene C. Blasdel, Vice President in charge of operations at the Weems System of Navigation Schools, The Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mrs. Blanche L. Gibbs, Vice President of the Katharine Gibbs School for secretaries.

Mrs. Henry J. Heinz of Sharpsburgh, Pennsylvania has been named as the first Chairman of Aviation for the General Federation of Women's Clubs. Mrs. Heinz is a pilot of eleven years experience with over 300 hours flying time to her credit.

The three main objectives of the office will be to "air educate" women; stimulate interest and support for the Air Corps recruiting program; maintain an information service to direct women to existing organizations where they may gain skills in various phases of aircraft work, such as air raid precautions, aircraft communications, aviation mechanics, meteorology, and actual piloting.

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The following donations have been made to the Amelia Earhart Memorial Fund according to a report received at Headquarters on November 18.

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| Western Pa. Chapter (Raised last year exclusive of penny banks)..... | \$88.00 |
| Leona McElroy..... | 7.81 |
| Fanny Leonpacher..... | 17.06 |
| Miriam Blagden Crocker..... | 5.00 |
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| Dorothy Baxter..... | 12.50 |
| Margaret Campbell..... | 2.00 |
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| Rita Gerry..... | 2.00 |
| Marjorie Hook..... | 3.00 |
| Ruth Rueckert..... | 3.00 |
| | \$168.92 |

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Examinations are being held for the following positions: Airport Traffic Control Examiner; Chief Airport Traffic Controller; Airport Traffic Controller; Assistant Airport Traffic Controller, and Field Representatives in the Apprenticeship Section of the Labor Department.

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Chapters have been notified of offices still vacant and are urged to complete their official rosters by January 1. A completed list of officers for each chapter is needed in order to publish the membership booklet and have it complete.

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