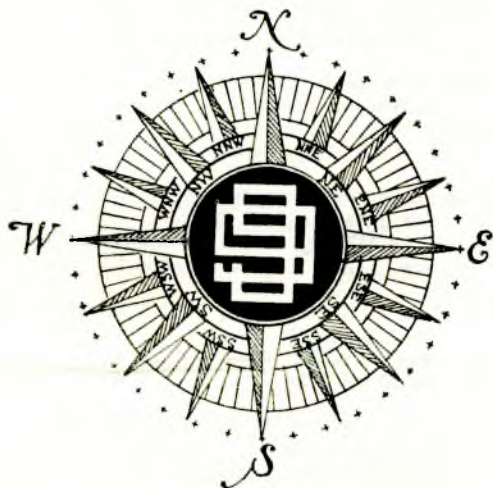


NINETY- NINES



NEWS LETTER

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

December 1st! That means 1945 is just about an obsolete number, but it was a good number, wasn't it? V-E day and V-J day; husbands, brothers, beaus and other loved ones at home, coming home or out of danger; practically all rationing ended; and flying for pleasure again on the up-and-up.

Now, for 1946! A brand new number just loaded with opportunities for a banner year for the NINETY-NINES. I fairly burst with enthusiasm when I read about or hear from the various sections and chapters all agog over the good times enjoyed at recent get-togethers and the plans made for future fun and work. Remember - The more we get together
The happier we will be.

During the winter time, I must admit that I am a bit timid about barging around the country in the face of uncertain weather, but I would like to have advance notices of your meeting places, times and dates with the thought in mind that I might drop in to get better acquainted with each NINETY-NINE member.

You will be interested to learn that since September 1st we have taken in 86 new members and 614 reinstatements. Bring 'em in! Your job doesn't end there, though. Make them feel the comradeship of the NINETY-NINES at each and every meeting thereafter. We older members know the organization so well that we forget that all are not "older members". Get your Constitution out. You'll be surprised how much you do not know or have forgotten about it. Here is an idea - Devote a few minutes each meeting to "Constitutional Refreshments".

Wartime restrictions which were written into CAR have just about been blotted out now. Your passenger's baggage is safe from your right of search now. Take pictures while you are flying EXCEPT around military reservations or vital defense zones.

All air lanes lead to Miami, January 4, 5 and 6th. Keep Marion Bertram, 3047 Indiana St., Coconut Grove, Fla., advised of your plans for the trip. Also notify her if you must cancel your plans. Check in at the 99 registration desk without delay when you arrive.

My pet slogan:- MARK THE SKYWAYS LIKE THE HIGHWAYS

Be seein' you in Miami

December 1, 1945.

Jeannette Lempke
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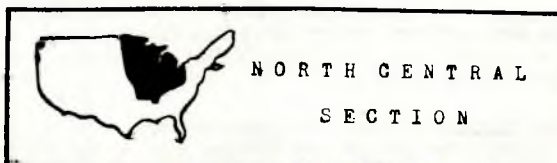
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December 15, 1945
ALL - OHIO CHAPTER

By Kay Greshauge Semrau,
18405 Melville Road, Cleveland 10, Ohio

At our December 1st meeting at Hotel Cleveland, the results of the election of officers for the year 1945-46 was announced by Helen Albaugh, chairman of the Nominating Committee. Kay Greshauge Semrau has been chosen chairman; Peg Pierce, vice chairman, and Mary Thompson, secretary-treasurer. Announcement of committee chairmen will be made in the next issue of the NEWS LETTER.

Peg Pierce and Helen Albaugh, hostesses for the meeting, arranged a grand dinner in the Bronze Room, followed by a business meeting presided over by the retiring chairman, Florence H. Boswell, who has done a magnificent piece of work holding the chapter together during war time. Other members attending were Marj Wagner, Dawn Malson, and Kay Semrau of Cleveland; Jean Greenham and Dorothy West of Akron; Mary Oetzel and Dorothy Wells from Norwalk; Sue Griffing from Sandusky. Our guests included Loretta Horvath and Fred C. Oetzel.

Peg and Harry Pierce are now at home in Suite 7014, Hotel Cleveland, Cleveland, Ohio, but they had scarcely moved in before Peg was off to New York. They both will leave shortly after the first of the year for six weeks in Brazil.

A letter from Marian Bush Reeder told of some wonderful prospects around Athens, and Marian is recovering from a recent major operation. We all hope to see that Taylorcraft artist at a 99's meeting soon.

Dorothy West, after leaving her work with the CAA Weather Bureau in Akron, to return to school at Miami

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University, found herself without a room and she is desperately trying to find one by January in order to complete 12 hours of work for her A.B. degree. We missed Mary King and Mary Thompson, both in New York for Christmas Shopping, and Sally Test, with her 49²-er back in the States, was also in New York, celebrating his return. Dawn Mulson, with a beautiful tan, told of her trip to Palm Beach and Miami.

We are proud of some of our former members. Marian Coddington is making a niche for herself in journalism and has had a play published. The grape vine has it that Flora and husband Dan, with their two offsprings, have moved to Honolulu. Dan is flying for an airline out of that city. Ann Barille is back in Cleveland, working for CAA, and we cordially invite her to our meetings.

Our next meeting will be early in February, with details to be announced later.

And now, best wishes to all for a Merry, Merry Christmas and the happiest of New Years, from the All-Ohio Chapter.

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INDIANA CHAPTER

By Ruth E. Colwell,
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We had our meeting in Indianapolis, November 17th, at Municipal Airport, and although it was nice weather to fly, every girl drove. We had 11 members, and met our new member from here, Evelyn Bottema. After lunch at Turner's Restaurant, we met in one of his school rooms.

Plans for the Sectional Meeting the first weekend in May were discussed, when the Indiana Chapter members will be hostesses to the section.

It was decided to have our next meeting in Kokomo on February third. Two of our new members want to entertain us there, so we want all of you girls who possibly can to go. You certainly have plenty of notice.

We also took up the matter of not getting to meet our new members for so long. Members please note: Applicants must attend one meeting before their applications will be accepted. May be that will let us meet the girls sooner and stop some of the confusion caused by two or three members contacting the same girl.

Dorothea Hendricks, Chapter Chairman, received a letter to all the girls from Helen House Outcalt. It was read at our meeting and told all about her trip West and her experiences on the way. It was pages long and all the girls said she missed her calling - that she should be writing instead of flying. She was going to the hospital soon after writing but said since her husband is back to hold her hand, she didn't mind. We hope he can work a magic charm and that when you read this she will be up and about again. We all wish you well, Helen, and hope you can get away from your own field at Rochester long enough to come to our February meeting.

Chairman Dorothea also attended the luncheon in honor of the Silver Anniversary of the Enfranchisement of American Women, at the Antlers Hotel in Indianapolis. She told us of some of the laws and women's rights here and in other parts of the United States. It was interesting and enlightening to discover how much further advanced some states are than others - Indiana is one of the more advanced - and also to hear of some of the advantages and disadvantages of equal rights for women. Well, more power to 'em. As long as they let us fly around, we won't y ll too much.

Charlotte Darlington had talked with Evelyn Dow, our real News Reporter, and she expects to be back about the first of the year. (Thank goodness!) She evidently

isn't getting any flying as she sent an SOS to her brother to bring down a plane.

We now have another member of my family in the air. My 10-year old son has started taking lessons from his dad and has two 30-minute lessons in his log book. He's beginning to pick my flying to pieces. Oh, my! One of the family picking on me was enough. I guess I'll have to get out my rolling-pin.

This is all this month, girls, but remember no more meetings until February. So please send me some news in between so as to keep our Chapter in the NEWS LETTER.

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SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN CHAPTER

By Ruth Craine, 2445 N. 37th St.,
Milwaukee 10, Wisconsin

As our news reporter, Peg Fiebrantz, has left for a week's trip to Canada, this will be an attempt to substitute for her. That's difficult for no substitute can equal Peg.

At our last meeting we took over the sponsorship of a Wing Scout Troop in Milwaukee. Three of our girls have volunteered to teach the young scouts ground subjects. Nedra Patterson has begun her work with the girls; Jean Reimer and Peg will take over a little later. In the spring our 99 members will take the girls for rides and let them feel what they have been studying. Nedra has 15 girls signed up to go with her. They're most enthusiastic.

Caroline Feiling has been taking time at the Seadrome. In a couple of hours now she will be adding her seaplane rating to that of her landplane. Then, when summer weather melts us, she'll take off, land on their lake, and enjoy the cottage in short order.

Trixie Gehring has had two more articles on "Petticoat Pilots" appear in the green sheet of The Milwaukee JOURNAL. Both were excellent, of course.

Pfc Dora Fritzsche of the Mac is due to come home this month. We hope she'll be in time so that she can join us on our brunch-flight to Kenosha, Saturday afternoon, December 15th, and for our Christmas party at Caroline Feiling's home on Sunday evening, the 16th.

It is so good to have Dorothy Christenson with us; we were without her for so long. Did you know she and Dora are in the same flying club?

Elsie Peters, our Governor of the North Central Section, is perhaps the busiest of all the 99's. The mail that floods her apartment box has the letter carrier in a whirl.

Rosemarie Sponner, our young parachutist, has taken her last flight in Wisconsin for a while, as she is en route to Arizona to be with her father, Dr. Sponner. The day after the first real snowfall Rosemarie and your Reporter-at-the-moment flew to Waupaca. It took us three hours to go and only one to return. Guess what--headwinds became tailwinds. We had a snowy reception - no one there, only snow-covered planes. We left our ski tracks on the untouched snow of the airport.

A few weeks ago all the 99's met at Curtiss-Wright Sky Room where several photographers used up a lot of film taking pictures of the group as it joined the Wisconsin Civil Air Corps. It seems that Badger Flying, the WAC magazine was eager to have a feminine cover subject for its december issue. Let me tell you that quiet Jeannette Kopus makes a gorgeous model in those pictures - to say nothing of several others of our beauties.

A letter from Margaret Bruns (liker says) that she is now settled with Harold at Wilson, N. Y., where business

is doing well. If you're on a honeymoon, drop in to see them. They specialize on honeymooners.

And now, THE SEASON'S GREETINGS TO YOU ALL! May Santa leave each of you one of your favorite airplanes - full grown size!

MICHIGAN CHAPTER

By Barbara Credit, 1217 Hamlin Place,
Jackson, Michigan.

The Michigan Chapter had a splendid attendance atalamazoo, Mich., Sunday morning, November 11th, about 25 members and several guests landing at the Austin Lake airport where Eloise Smith served us a delicious breakfast. Next to flying, I think 99'ers like best to eat. Bear-hunting treks into the woods of Northern Michigan kept at least two of our members from attending - Betty Fletcher of Saginaw and Babe Weyant of Lansing.

One of the main topics of conversation during breakfast was about plans for flying to the Miami Air Maneuvers, and it sounds like our chapter will be well represented there.

Alice Hammond invited us to hold our December 8th meeting and Christmas party, combined, at her home again this year. Dinner at 6:30. For several years, Alice has had the Christmas party and everyone is looking forward to it. This year, as usual, we will bring gifts for the children whose names are given us by the Michigan Children's Aid Society. It is our way of helping Santa Claus. And then what fun we will have when we open the 25¢ gift which Santa Claus will leave at Alice's for each of us.

To help the members of our chapter get better acquainted, name plates will be bought for each one to be worn at all meetings. The Secretary will be custodian of these plates.

Jeannette Lampke gave a report on the Sectional meeting in Milwaukee last October, which was attended by many Michigan members.

Quoted from a note received from Mae Blake, for whom I am pinch-hitting as reporter this month - "A future 99'er, Carol Linda Blake, propped her way in about 3 A.M. November 21st - a pursuit job if I ever saw one - only 5 hrs 4 on."



OKLAHOMA CHAPTER

By Velma Woodward, 4301 Lincoln Blvd.,
Oklahoma City, Okla.

November 19th, following the afternoon session of the third National Aviation Clinic in Oklahoma City, the local 99'ers entertained with a cocktail party for all women pilots attending the Clinic. The party was at the home of Miss Mary Francis and local 99'ers assisting were Jerry Nelso and Joann Garrett, El Reno; Broneta Davis, Minco; Mary Margarette Fox, Midwest City; Delrose Sieber

and Velma Woodward, Oklahoma City. Guests present were, Blanche Noyes, Washington, D. C.; Dot Lemon, Miami Beach, Fla. and New York; Barbara Selby, New Orleans, La.; Rae Rambeau, Hollywood, Calif.; May Ann Yanulis and Marjorie M. Vangalder, Beloit, Wis.; Cecile Hamilton, New York City; Pat Durham and Madge Bleyer, Tulsa, Okla.

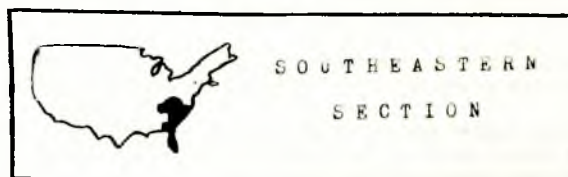
The hostesses enjoyed getting acquainted with their distinguished guests and we believe most of them thought the party a nice idea. We are looking forward to meeting them all next year, when we hope there will be many more women pilots present. As a matter of fact, local 99'ers have been doing a bit of day dreaming about the possibilities of having the 99's national convention in Oklahoma City next year, just preceding the fourth National Aviation Clinic which is to be held here the third week in October, 1946.

TEXAS CHAPTER

By Mary Ann Hobbs,
416 E. Locust St., San Antonio 2, Texas.

On short notice a dinner was held Saturday, December 1st by 99'ers in and near San Antonio. Attending members were Mildred Miller, chapter chairman, Mary Catherine Quist, Madge Jones, Pearle Ragsdale, Frankie Welborn, all of Austin; Stella Priest, Mary Ann Hobbs, Starley Grons, Maurine Webb and Charlotte Spann, all of San Antonio. Guests from these two cities brought our total up to 27.

Future meetings were discussed and tentative plans were made for a state-wide February meeting of 99's at Austin, the WASPs and TWWFs to be asked to hold meetings at the same time. This should be a large turnout of girls, and every one will be notified when plans are completed. After breakfast the next morning, before breaking up the meeting, most of the pilots were forced to return home via cars because of a low ceiling.



CAROLINAS CHAPTER

By Betty Dunlap,
Box 447, Rock Hill, S.C.

Several weeks ago, I went to Asheville, N.C., and while there made a great effort to locate Lucile Greenwood. I did not find Lucile, but did see their new airport which is only three miles out of town. It is much more convenient than the old one which is twelve miles out. Lucile, if you read this, please send me your address.

Bird and Paul Eaton took in the Army-Navy game and report that they had a huge time.

Louise Smith flew over to the opening of the Mt. Airy airport and says it is a good place to fly into. They gave the visitors some swell barbecue.

Caroline Hambel really came to the front in the war effort. She holds a commercial and an instrument rating and for two years was Chief Ground Instructor on the Naval program at the University of South Carolina, besides run-

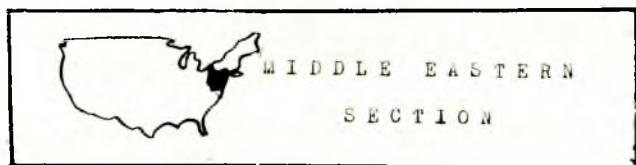
ning a home and raising a family. That's a good record, isn't it, girls?

Dot Rogers Shackelford also holds an instructor's and commercial. We members are very proud of these girls and hope their work will set an example for some more in the Carolinas.

I hear that Ann Cole has married Ken Boyd of Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and that she sold her ship and will not fly any more. Can this be true, Ann? As well as you like to fly, it is hard to believe.

Send me some news, girls, before the first of next month or I won't promise a letter in the January issue.

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BIG PHILADELPHIA MEETING!

The next meeting of the Eastern Penn Chapter will be
SUNDAY, JANUARY 20th.

Time: Meeting, 12 noon; Luncheon, 1:30. BE PROMPT.
A CHARCOAL STEAK DINNER HAS BEEN ORDERED FOR YOU
ALL COST, \$2.50.

PLACE AND DIRECTIONS: "MAURICE'S", 211 QUINCE STREET.
Quince is a small, alley-like street, between 11th and 12th. From Reading R.R. or Broad St. Station (both on Market St.), walk south to Walnut St.; between 11th and 12th on Walnut is the Forrest Theater. Quince runs one side of theater, and Maurice's is only a few doors from it.

A super special meeting is in order. Maurice's is a done-over town house of many rooms; most of the dining rooms have large open fireplaces. The atmosphere is unusual and you'll like it. The management has asked the Luncheon Committee for a list of our favorite songs, that they may be played while we're there.

An especially good dinner has been ordered - CHARCOAL STEAK WITH FRENCH FRIES AND ALL THE FIXIN'S! Ens. Sally Conley and Georgiara Sees have charge of arrangements.

Return your card promptly, please, so Maurice will have time to get all those steaks.

An important business meeting will be held that we may vote on our choice of Section and Chapter delegates to the NINETY-NINES Annual Meeting.

FOR GOOD FOOD AND FUN DON'T MISS THE JAN. 20TH MEETING.

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EASTERN PENN CHAPTER

By Helen E. Jones,
819 Ocean Ave., Lancaster, Penna.

A few girls have written me of their activities, but truthfully I think four replies out of 28 requested isn't a good average. Wish the rest of you would write a postal and let us know you're still interested in our organization. Or aren't you?

Georgianna Sees is the proud possessor of her Flight Instructor's rating. Congratulations to you! We're all happy for you.

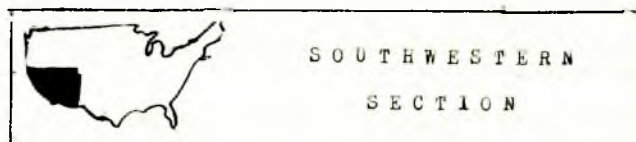
Jessie "Jr." Jones is spending December in Balboa, Panama Canal Zone, visiting friends. She plans to be at the Miami Air Races in January.

Catherine Slocum is kept very busy raising her family. The score is three to two in favor of the girls. Something new was added on November 2, 1945, namely, "Wingie" (Katherine Margaret Wings Slocum). We surely hope you will be able to get to the Jan. 20th meeting, Cath. The new members are anxious to meet you, and the old timers want to see you again.

Polly Markle is planning to move to Haverford (near Philly) in February of next year.

Evelyn Banta, living in Kennett Square, Penna., R. D. #1, with her two kids and two dogs. Her husband is overseas with the U.S. Marine Corps. It would be neighborly if some of you Wilmington, Dela., girls would drop around to see her or at least call. Do try to get to our Philly meeting in January, won't you, Evelyn?

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BAY CITIES CHAPTER

By Eleanor Verkuyl,
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High light of West Coast news is the resumption of Winging Parties by our Chapter, following the four-year shut-down on civilian flying. In pre-war days, these aerial jaunts enabled pilots to log their required hours for license maintenance, provided enjoyable cross-country experience, and promoted a social Esprit de corps. The October Wing-Ding was decidedly in the latter category, what with the abolition of hour requirements for license maintenance, and the sturdy fact that the three pilots who "got in" have forgotten more about cross-country than any of the rest of us can hope to know! Geraldine Williamson's Yuba City home provided the mecca of the day, and despite the discouraging weather conditions the affair proved most successful. Jerry's sister, Mrs. Barbara Smith, assisted her in serving.

Dorothy Fowler, piloting a Beechcraft, had Jean Shaffer as co-pilot, and Helen Kelton, Juanita Drier and your reporter as passengers. Marian Barnick (a 99'er transferred from Oregon, who with her husband operates a flying service at San Jose) flew a Waco and was accompanied by Florence Emig, an instructor from the Barnick Service, and Mr. and Mrs. John Gerhardt of San Francisco. From Walnut Creek, in the Hart Ryan, came those hardy perennials, Marjorie Fauth and Rita Hart. Everyone was wind-blown and rain-soaked, but Jerry's elaborate hospitality more than repaid the effort to realize it.

The December Winging Party will be a flight to Stockton Airport, with luncheon at Lodi for the pioneer souls who defy weather 'such.

The November meeting of the Chapter was held in San Francisco with Chairman Margaret Gerhardt as hostess, and the following present: Marion Barnick, Juanita Drieier, Pat Gibson, Camille Canfield, Dorothy Chamberlin, Ruth Wakeman, Peggy Ann Taylor, Helen Kelton, Frances Grant, Geraldine Williamson, Florence Emig, Marjorie Fauth, Ruth Rueckert, a guest, Martha Streibel, and Eleanor Verkuyl.

November winging activities included a trip by the Al Harts in their Ryan 165, to San Diego for the Thanksgiving holidays. En route they tarried at Indio where Al acted as one of the judges in a motorboat racing event.

December 14th is the date set for Ruth Wakeman's 99's Christmas party at her home in Burlingame.

Ruth Rueckert's 49'er, Fred, recently piloting

C-54's in Italy, Persia 'n places, has hit U. S. soil, and should be restored to his home hearth before this reaches you. The sight of his year-old daughter Marsha, whom he has not yet seen, is going to be one of the big moments of the family reunion.

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LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

By Melba Beard, 1695 Wagner St.,
Pasadena 4, Calif.

Eileen Evans was hostess at her Los Angeles home for our December meeting and election of officers. All were happy over the complete lifting of the long ban on flying.

Our new officers are: Chairman, Carolyn West, 5237 Alta Canyon Rd. La Canada, Calif.; vice chairman, Betty Glaser; secretary, Helen Hooper, and treasurer, Marion Mountain. Irene Slagel was appointed membership chairman and Melba Beard, reporter.

Past chairman Eileen Evans and her officers are entitled to great credit for keeping the chapter alive during the war years. Fortunately many members kept up flying through the CAP, WASP, schools transferred to the desert, jobs in inland states, and in other ways.

Eileen is busy with several new aviation ventures - one, her recent election as president of the Wasps; also her efforts to locate an available flying field for a new school and air service. She has made a flight to deliver PT-17's to San Francisco, Oakland and Sacramento CAP squadrons, where she also checked out the check pilots. She reports the flight as the most fun, for she was weathered in at every stop!

Now Palm Springs army airport is open to private planes equipped with radio, many 99'ers will head that way. Clema Granger is president of the small but active Palm Springs NAA Chapter. Soon another 99'er will be won to the desert when Gayle Burns and Husband, Major Herbert Burns, start building there when he is released from the Army.

A 99'er welcomed home is Kay Van Doozer, Bakersfield, who, after years of flying here and in England, has returned to Kern Co. Union High School as Dean to 1200 freshman girls. But you can't keep her out of the air! A recent trip was to Portland, Ore., to ferry a PT-17 back for school use. With several ex-Wasps on the faculty and staff, the girls are trying to get their own equipment to start a women's flying club.

Clara McMillen is practicing for her instructor's rating when not busy at the Fullerton Air Service, where she hops passengers, makes ferry trips, and checks out pilots, in addition to office work. It takes her about six hours round trip by bus, street car and taxi, to attend meetings. You surely rate a meeting in Fullerton, Clara! Her twin Betty is a private pilot and gets in all flying time she can at various desert fields, for she's in the weather station at Tehachapi.

We heard of Bessie Owen's departure for New York on her business trip of several months to Havana, Cuba, to take color motion pictures, a job for which she is well qualified.

Dianna Cyrus, recently returned from Texas where she was instructing, extended the 99's a cordial invitation to a breakfast flight barbecue at her Ling-doolley Ranch, about three miles from Santa Paula port. She is a commercial pilot, with single and multimotor, instructor and instrument ratings, also a parachute technician and Link trainer operator. Oh, my!

Carolyn West, our new chairman, says she spends most of her flying time in the vicinity of Lockheed

Air Terminal, waiting a chance to get in. The West family's latest trip was to lovely La Quinta near Palm Springs, where there are facilities to park one's plane and walk to the Inn. Carolyn's 7-year old daughter Jackie recently accompanied her daddy to Nevada in the Erco, adding a little to her 40 hours at the controls. She can steer a pretty fair compass course. The Wests have ordered a new Beechcraft and then all four of them can fly at one time. Carolyn recently wrote a nice article for Western Flying, telling of one of their trips.

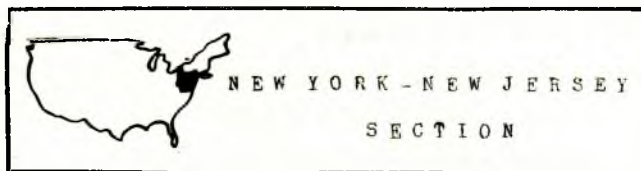
We hope Betty Huyler Gillies, rumored to be in San Diego, will come up for an early meeting. Hilda Jarmuth was flying a PT-19 at Vail Field recently. Helen Hooper, Santa Monica, is busy keeping up her ratings. Betty Glaser, Beverly Hills, dashes down to Pete Lyman's Culver City Airport to fly this and that, which amounted to about 16 hours the last two months. Your reporter is starting again in nice little planes, working up slowly. Bill is home from the army, and we have moved back to Pasadena after a six-year absence.

We had a lively discussion as to place and type of future meetings. It was thought that alternating the downtown dinner meetings with airport meetings, breakfast flights, and meetings at homes would satisfy everyone. We are anxious for a breakfast flight, so those who can get planes, be sure to attend our next meeting so that future plans can be made.

Our next biggest item of business was regarding the efforts of a group of air-minded citizens and plane owners to do something about the dwindling space for fields and airparks in this area. The problem is serious already, and if our center of air activity is to keep pace with its own growth, provision must be made for accessible, well planned and operated airparks and fields. There is also a matter of rezoning agricultural lands to permit establishment of fields. 99'ers and others in this area are urged to write the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to approve the Easter Airport Plan as already approved and submitted by the Regional Planning Commission. Or write Carolyn West for a petition to be circulated and returned to her by January first. Carolyn and Jack are offering fine rewards to 99'ers obtaining the most signatures. First prize will be a whole hour's ride in the Erco, wherever you choose. Second, a half hour, and third, a nice hop.

Our next meeting will be held January 14th at the Jonathan Club, Flower Street, between 6th and 7th, Los Angeles at 6 P.M. Short meeting first, then dinner at 6:30. Cards will be sent out.

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CONNECTICUT CHAPTER

By Isabel C. Fenton, Witch Path,
West Springfield, Mass.

The only real news this month is not specifically 99 news ... However November 12th a meeting of ex-Wasps was held to form a New England chapter of Pifinella. Connecticut 99'ers present were: Chairman Edith Cragin of West Hartford; Ann Griffin of Westogue; Margaret "Sis" Tuffin of Granby, and myself.

Connecticut Chapter did not hold a November meeting, due to the many activities of the season, but we kept in contact via telephone and the Wasp meeting. After the

new year starts and we can get really squared away, we have some ambitious plans for our get-togethers.

Merry Christmas from Connecticut! (Any resemblance between this and the movie of a similar name is not only coincidental but pure, unadulterated fiction.)

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NEW YORK - NEW JERSEY CHAPTER

By Kathleen Hilbrandt,
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Our Chapter held its Christmas Dinner Meeting in the Windsor Room of the Hotel Essex House, Newark, N. J., with 16 members and a few guests present. 99'ers included Marge Gray, Marge White, Jeanne Oakes, Kay Menges, Selma Cronan, Eileen Bristol, Alma W. Bristol, Flo Loesch, Nanette Spears, Mary Reifschneider, Amy Ahrens, Mary Ruth Rance and Ethel M. Peckham.

We welcomed two new members - Elizabeth Gardner and Katherine Kupferberg - both ex-Wasps and members of the 43-W-6 class.

Our Chapter decided to remember the disabled G.I. Joes with books for Christmas. If you have any, old or new, please send them to Flo Loesch, 100 Glenwood Ave., East Orange, New Jersey.

Three members, Marge Gray, Marge White and Alma Harwood, attended a Washington conference on private flying and private planes, called by NAA. While the conference did not print too bright a picture for the immediate future of private flying, our members commented on the excellent sessions and speeches, covering everything from soaring to seaplanes. Blanche Noyes, CAA airmarking specialist, was present.

While in Washington these three visited 99 Headquarters looking to straightening out our membership list. They found a number of girls living in various parts of the country but still holding membership in our Section. Governor Marge Gray suggests they notify Headquarters of their present location and request a transfer to the chapter or section where they reside. This applies only to those who have made permanent changes in address.

Helen Mary Clark, Englewood, who has been active in Red Cross work since coming out of the WASP, will be back with us at our next meeting.

Plans were made for the anniversary party to be held in February or March. We expect to have a Dinner-Dance. Any ideas for the party will be welcomed.

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TELEGRAM

December 7th, Headquarters was notified as follows:

"BULLETIN INVITATION RECEIVED FROM OKLAHOMA CHAPTER FOR ANNUAL MEETING.

JEANNETTE LEMPKER."

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