

NINETY- NINES



NEWS LETTER

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DEADLINE - 5TH OF EACH MONTH

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Let us reminisce a bit in this last month of our Re-conversion Year of 1945-46. Have we accomplished what we set out to do?

MEMBERSHIPS On September 1st, 1945, we had exactly 700 members. During the fiscal year of 1945-46, 613 members renewed. What happened to the other 87? Perhaps some of them procrastinated in sending in their dues before the deadline and so had to pay another \$1.00 initiation fee and are counted in on the new memberships and reinstatements. A Grand Total of 1002 members for the year of 1945-46. "At least 1500 members for 1946-47" is in the bag, don't you think?

CONSTITUTIONAL REFRESHMENTS Can you answer these:

1. What is the purpose of the NINETY-NINES
2. What are the qualifications for ACTIVE membership
3. When are all renewal dues payable
4. What states are included in your Section
5. What is the deadline for the election of your section and your chapter officers for the fiscal year of 1946-47?

MARK THE SKYWAYS LIKE THE HIGHWAYS Congress finally made an appropriation and our 99 member, Blanche Noyes, will soon have some money to spend on spreading those coveted air markers over the face of the USA. But during the past year, Blanche and the 99's have not let their hands be tied by the tardy Congressional action. The constant prodding given the various state Aviation Departments by Blanche and the 99's has placed several states many paces ahead on air-marking.

AMELIA EARHART SCHOLARSHIP FUND Contributions for the Fund are still pouring in, so at this writing I can't even give you an estimate on the results of our July concentration on this project. I hope the total goes so high that we will have enough income from it to make two awards - three awards - four awards each year. Barbara Myers, a Michigan chapter member had a birthday in July and as a present to herself she wrote a check for the AES Fund, and Earlene Flory who is overseas, sent her contribution in pronto! so it reached Michigan in time for the July meeting.

YOU HAVE DONE IT! To each and every one of you - THANKS. It has been a wonderful year. We have worked and we have had fun. I can't say "Merry Christmas" now, but I can say "Happy New Year" and may the year of 1946-47 bring the NINETY-NINES more happiness and success.

Love and Best Wishes,
Jeannette Lempke,
August 3, 1946. Your 1945-46 President



LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

By Melba Beard
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There was no July or August meeting because of summer vacations. However, there will probably be a brief chapter meeting around August 26, before the annual section meeting to be at Hellman's Ranch in Paso Robles on September 14-15. This section meeting is always a lot of fun providing swimming, riding, lounging, etc., besides giving us the opportunity to meet the members of Bay Cities Chapter.

Speaking of chapters, the girls in San Diego have been active, meeting recently at the home of Jessie Ostrander. Upon discovering that they had more than enough old and new members to form a chapter of their own, they are giving the matter serious thought, aided by Jessie and Betty Gillies. More on this from the San Diego girls later.

Our June 10th "guest night" dinner meeting at the Melody Lane Cafe was attended by members Bea Medes, Lillian Anderson, Carolyn West, Barbara London, Melba Beard, Peggy Calhoun, Elizabeth Watson, Helen Benger, Eileen Evans, Helen Hooper, Hilda Jarmuth, Claire McMillen, Irene Slagel and Helen Thomure; with guests Delphine Bohn, Betty Wall and Harriet Thyson, former WASP's, Harriet being the new president of the local Order of Fifinella; and guest Charlotte Martin and Alice Rodd.

Eileen Evans showed a film sponsored by the Washington group for unification of the armed forces, which was followed by discussion. It was decided to postpone taking a stand on unification until both sides could be presented, though many members were in favor of expressing a chapter opinion. Carolyn West showed an interesting film of the Hiller-copter, a machine which concluded a series of fascinating maneuvers by landing and taking off from a swimming pool. Helen Thomure was named program chairman, and immediately justified Carolyn's confidence in her by going to work gathering ideas for the coming year. Helen Powell was named to the publicity committee to relieve your busy reporter of publicity burdens.

Betty McMillen's U.S. Weather Station at Tehachapi has been closed and she has been transferred to the station at Paso Robles, which we hope will make it easier for her to keep in touch with the girls, now that she has a car.

There has been a lot of flying going on, what with various airports scheduling week-end. Sunday morning and breakfast flights, but further news notes will have to wait until we get together again and find out what everyone has been doing. Be sure to tell your reporter about what flying you have been doing, and especially about changes in rating and licenses, jobs, etc.

Ladies Night at the June 27th N. A. A. meeting was a busy affair, managed by our own chairman Carolyn West, who had collected a whole speakers' table of women in aviation with interesting things to say; the only drawback being that the meeting was over before all had had their say. Matilda Moisant, pioneer pilot and first woman to fly the English Channel, gave an account of the pleasures and difficulties encountered by early pilots, and received a standing ovation upon her conclusion, a tribute well de-

served. Another speaker was 99er Patricia Peed Kelly, aeronautical engineer who for years was with Douglas Aircraft and was responsible for the success of that company's pioneering efforts in adapting women to that giant industry, and was directly responsible for establishing the first workable aircraft library - a collection of technical information, blueprints, designs and formulas, etc., so complex and formidable that it seems amazing that any one could master its organization, especially tiny, feminine Patricia. Your reporter also spoke, dealing with early racing days.

Our Bakersfield member, Kay Van Doozer, told of the organization of civilian and foreign pilots gathered in England to help ferry planes during the war. While Kay refrained from telling any personal experiences, the picture we got was spine chilling, and makes us glad Kay is back with us. She flew practically every type of plane, and said there was such a rush to get them delivered that there was no time to master any of them. She plugged away delivering strange planes for two long years. Though Kay didn't say so, I've heard that some of the planes she delivered acquired little holes enroute.

The comedy of the evening was the arrival from the North Pole of Lady Pirts-Resaset, complete in helmet, goggles, scarf and fur lined flying suit with pockets filled with instruments, tools, lunch, maps, make-up and a few unmentionables. By the time the flying suit and a pair of coveralls had been shed, the unknown pilot was dressed to continue her trip to Hawaii, pausing only to give an appropriate and lovely dance before continuing on her way.

Claire McMillen, 99er from Santa Ana who flies for Fullerton Air Service, gave a brief but hair raising talk on her first cross-country ferry flight in which, without a map of her own, she followed two other planes, all of which ran out of gas in a sudden desert headwind and at three different places. Though Claire got to her destination first, without the map and in one sound piece, it meant one take-off on borrowed gas between the rails of a railroad track, and with 15 minutes to spare between trains.

It was at this point that the closing gong rang, leaving Claire's twin sister, who had come down from Paso Robles, and speakers representing the C.A.P., W.I.A.A. without their innings. However, it was a very successful meeting.

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BAY CITIES CHAPTER

By Fran Grant
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Our very capable reporter, Eleanor Verkuy, is on strike against the writing of our newsletter - claiming new blood is needed in this department - Certainly hope this shows her that a cub-reporter lacks many of her talents to make with the words!

Our chapter has experienced two very sad events. On June

26th, Dorothy Fowler, ex-WASP, Secretary of the Southwestern Section, burned to death when her beechnote caught fire while on a charter trip to Reno, Nevada. Witnesses stated that her engine was ablaze when the ship passed over Concord. A few moments later, while attempting to land near Concord at the Buchanan Field, the ship spun in. Our July meeting was postponed due to the sudden passing of Alvin Campbell, father of our chairman, Margaret Gearhart.

Marjorie Fauth and Eleanor Verkuyl have taken delivery on a new Cessna 140. Although Marge resides in San Francisco and Eleanor in Lodi some 90 miles away, this co-ownership works wonderfully well by each owner having the ship alternate months. Marge is planning the trip to Cleveland in this new craft. Kay Van Doozer and your reporter have hopes of joining Marge on her trek to Cleveland, using Kay's new Luscombe for transportation. This whole affair was the result of an impromptu gathering on July 20th at the home of Rita Hart. Kay Van Doozer flew in from Bakerfield to see Betty Thompson, formerly of Massachusetts and temporarily at Stockton. Betty and Kay rounded up Eleanor and Rita, and Rita sent out the word to Gerry Williamson in Marysville, Marge Fauth in San Francisco, and Fran Grant in San Mateo. And such a night of hangar flying. As always, Rita was the perfect hostess.

Our sectional meeting is planned for September 14th and 15th in Paso Robles, California. This will be our first sectional meeting since 1942. All reservations for hotel accommodations must be made by September 1st, so, members when that notice arrives, don't tuck it away. Fill it out and return it immediately. Governor Marge Fauth has spent a lot of time arranging this event, so let's get behind her and turn out 100%.



EASTERN PENN CHAPTER

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The July meeting of this chapter was really a honey. The gals came from all directions and congregated at the spacious Nolde estate. Fran Nolde was our hostess and what a fine one she was. A combination Corn Roast and



steak fry we had. Everyone ate corn until it practically came out of their ears. This was held in Reading, Penna. on July 29th, 1946.

Since it was an evening meeting most of the girls drove; but Georgianna Sees latched on to an AT-6 and flew in. It

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was a mixed meeting and a few of the girls brought their husbands and friends.

Members present were: Grey Allison, Irene C. Blasdale, Leona McElroy, Sally Conley, Georgianna Sees, Bettie Townson, Hazel Heist, Fran Nolde, Violet Delp, Jesse Jones Jr. and Helen E. Jones. Guests included Fred Payne, Brooks McElroy, Thomas Parkins, Peggy Betten, George Townson, Mrs. Grey Allison, Tom Adams, M. J. Bowers, R. H. Miller, John McGee, and Skip Miller.

Delegates were chosen for the coming annual meeting in Cleveland, Ohio. Those elected to represent our chapter were: Irene C. Blasdale and Sally Conley with Grey Allison to be alternate.

Our next meeting is slated to be at Catherine Slocum's. No date has been decided upon.

We were sorry not to have seen more of our members in Reading. Girls you don't know what a fine time you missed ... Do try to arrange to be on hand when Kath Slocum will be our hostess.



MICHIGAN CHAPTER

By "Becky" Thatcher
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After a delicious breakfast of bacon and eggs and all that goes with it at the Vista Grill, Muskegon Heights, our July meeting got under way with fourteen members and approximately the same number of guests.

Our hostess was Betty Parmenter and she was ably assisted by her mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Parmenter. The Parmenters provided the very beautiful center piece consisting of a miniature P-38 and 99 emblem surrounded with mixed flowers.

Among the guests we noticed Robert Kirk (Faye's 49ther) who has just returned from the service. We hope he visits us often.

By the way, Faye is doing a swell job on the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund. She reports quite a sum already but always has room for another dollar or two. Faye received a letter from Earlene L. Flory with a gift for the fund. Earlene is doing Red Cross work in Germany and reports that as far as her flying is concerned it is "out of the question." She receives her mail by ox-cart and would welcome a letter from a Ninety-Niner. Her address is:

Earlene L. Flory
A. R. C. Babenhausem
A. P. O. 757 U S O T Hq.
%Postmaster, New York, New York

Our chairman, Thelma Lindsay, also reports letters received from Gloria Lynch and Betty Grohman. Betty has received a promotion and is now Assistant Flight Operations Officer for Pan American World Airways at LaGuardia Field. Congratulations Betty on your promotion.

Betty Parmenter has accepted a position instructing for the remainder of the summer.

Jeannette Lempke and Ruth Mary Buckley attended the Wisconsin Centurama. Margaret Napierala recently flew to the Soo in a Stinson 150 and reports a "swell" time in spite of the undecided weather. Gladys Hartung is spending her vacation in Racine, Wisconsin.

Jeannette told us about the Cleveland Air Races and the National Convention to be held the week-end of the races in Cleveland. The four delegates chosen to represent the Michigan Chapter of the Ninety-Nines at the National Convention are: Ruth Mary Buckley, Kalamazoo; Barbara Credit, Jackson; Thelma Lindsay, Detroit and Allaseba Thatcher, Saginaw.

Our next meeting is to be held at the Soo and we are looking forward to a grand time and also a visit from Elsie Peters, our sectional governor.

Halcyone Watkins (Mrs. Dick) is back in Royal Oak after her stay in California during the time her husband was in service. We hope that she will again join us at some of our meetings.

Better luck next time, Helen. Sorry you couldn't make it.



Dorothy Nagel, Detroit, now has her commercial license to go with her Aircraft Mechanics and Link Instructor licenses

Roxie Yaghjian's engagement to William Mooradian was announced at the July meeting. After their marriage they will live in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Our newest member, Alberta (Mickey) Jones became the bride of Joseph A. Korte on Saturday, July 13th, and is now residing in Lake Worth, Florida. Alberta was in the U.S. Weather Bureau at Detroit City Airport.

Word comes from Gloria Lynch (our tiny parachutist) that she is flying PT 19's at Grand Island, Nebraska.

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ALL-OHIO CHAPTER NEWS

By Dawn Malson
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The All-Ohio Chapter of 99's has the welcome mat out for your visit to the National Air Races, August 30 to September 2. We hope you will all come to Cleveland and we promise to do everything we can to make your stay enjoyable.

National president, Miss Jeannette Lempke, has asked Kay Greshauge Semrau, our state chairman, to act as general chairman in charge of activities, hospitality, etc., for the 99's during the Air Races and for our Annual Meeting. Kay is also vice chairman of the entertainment and reception committee of the National Air Races, and has been requested to coordinate the activities of the WASP as well as the 99's. Yours truly will "catch-all" for Kay on both committees. On the 99's general committee are Peg Pierce, Leah Higgins, Florence H. Boswell, Helen Curtiss Albaugh, Mary Oetzel, Ann Heisler, Marian Bush Reeder, Ann Barille, Mary G. King, Eleanor Burt, Reva Terry, Mary Thompson, Marj Miller, Marj Wagner, Helen

Lin., and Ruth Gouthey. Ruth Johnson and Thelma Kennedy will represent the WASP. The Cleveland residents named above will comprise the National Air Races committee with Mrs. T. S. Malson, Mrs. J. E. Greshauge, Mrs. John Owen James, and Mrs. H. M. Whitmore included. The latter committee has Mrs. Ralph K. Rex, founder of the Cleveland Women's Chapter of the N. A. A., at the helm.

Our breakfast meeting at Harrington's Sky Club in Mansfield, Sunday, July 28, was well attended by both members and their guests. Among those attending were Mary Oetzel and her guest, Thelma Kimmel; Ann Heisler and her mother, Mrs. Anna Ulrich; Marj Miller; Julianne Dearth; Kay Semrau and her mother, Mrs. Sibyl Greshauge, and her guest, Mrs. H. M. Whitmore; Peg Pierce; Dawn Malson and her guests, Agnes Cook, Mary O'Connor, Jean Hall; Arlene Davis and her guest, Mary Falloure; Ruth Gouthey; Helen Linn; Florence H. Boswell and her guest, Mrs. E. P. Moslo; and two Mansfield girls, Rachel Schreffler and former WASP member, Thelma Kennedy. The 49-1/2'ers were represented by Harry Pierce.

Ruth and Helen arrived in a Stearman, lugging a big box of printed material Helen has prepared for Jeannette; Mary Oetzel and Thelma Kimmel flew in from Norwalk in a T-Craft; Arlene and Mary Falloure buzzed in in a BT-13; Marj Miller and Julianne brought in a Cub. The rest of us flew kinda low. Later in the afternoon, Marian Bush Reeder, the only woman pilot on the All-Ohio Air Tour, arrived with the Tour flying a PT.

Joan Roadrian now has her instructors rating and is teaching at Ohio University Airport. Mary Thompson is back in Willoughby and we'd all like to see her. Received a lovely note from Mary K. Friedlander who will attend the Races. Helen Curtiss Albaugh, vacationing in New York and Pennsylvania, after spending the first part of her vacation moving to 12511 Clifton Blvd., Lakewood, Ohio.

Ken Heisler, Ann's 49-1/2'er, is recovering nicely from his accident, but is still confined to Hanna House, University Hospitals, Cleveland, Ohio. Florence Boswell was selected National Councilor from Ohio on the National Council Board of the N. A. A. at the N. A. A. convention in Omaha, Nebraska.

We're looking for you at the Races!

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WISCONSIN CHAPTER

By Ruth Crain Lembke
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The Fly-In-Barbeque at White Clay Ranch, held in connection with the national Private Flyers Conference, held many surprises for the Wisconsin 99ers. Our chapter girls, who had been acting as hostesses to the fliers who appeared in Milwaukee for the Centurama celebration, were flown up as guests of Mr. Francis Trecker in the Anderson Beechcraft. There we were delighted to visit with Jeannette Lempke, our National president, who won a prize for the wonderful strawberries she flew to the dinner. We had the honor of meeting and visiting with Blanche Noyes for the first time, a rare treat. Then, of course, the fact that actors Tyrone Powers and Caesar Romero signed our short snorter bills and had pictures taken with us was charming, too. But then it was through our own chapter member's personal invitation extended in person by Trixie Gehring that the two notables accepted and arrived.

Margaret Bruns Sliker has returned from Wilson, New York; she and Harold, her 49-1/2'er, will remain with us indefinitely. Margaret was elected to be our delegate to the National Convention and Air Races in Cleveland the end of this month. Five girls plus Elsie, our Governor,

will attend the meeting.

Caroline Iverson, our illustrious former member, who is now with LIFE MAGAZINE, was home recently on a vacation. She always remembers to contact us. We appreciate her thoughts especially when we realize what a busy program she has to fill.

Dora Fritzke continues to get in the most flying time. She flew her cub plane to the ranch last Saturday.

Peg Fiebrantz has put in the most time at the Maitland Airstrip for the Centurama Air Show. It was she who registered Tyrone Power when he arrived here.

Dorothy Christenson, who has so successfully organized and executed the plans for the hostess work of the 99's for the Centurama Show, has a new position, but she hasn't had it long enough to know how well she likes it. She's a busy girl.

Happy landings at Cleveland!!!

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INDIANA CHAPTER

By Ruth Colwell

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We had a nice turn out at our July meeting at Greencastle Airport. Among those who flew in were Little Doc and her 49-1/2'er; Fern Rinker, who brought Dortha Hendricks with her from Anderson; Jessie Von Leer and her 49-1/2'er who winged in from Terre Haute, as did Ruth Swango and Jim; Lyn Bottema and Virginia Eberhart who buzzed in from Indianapolis; and a new member, Olive Tuttle and her husband both of whom managed to come airborne. Those who came by car were, Marie Thompson, Helen Daniels, and her 49-1/2'er from Terre Haute, Nellie Evans, her husband and son from Marion and Jane Templeton and her boy friend from Indianapolis.

Mrs Lenore Sutherlin, our new member, and her husband, w were also present at the meeting. As guests we had Mr. Bairden and Elizabeth, Mr. and Mrs. Bennet of the Greencastle newspapers. They took pictures of us just about everytime we had our mouths either filled with food or in the process of filling them with same.

We were served a delicious turkey dinner in the hangar where we had our business meeting. After the meeting we had a wonderful time seeing the town and DePaw University. I'm sure everyone enjoyed it immensely. I know I did.

We voted for our new officers, who are: Helen Daniels, Chairman, Nellie Evans, Vice-Chairman, and Virginia Eberhart, Secy-Treasurer. Jessie VonLeer and I were made delegates to the National meeting.

Lyn Bottema got her commercial. She didn't tell us about it until after she had it. She's going after her Instructor's rating now - and we sure wish her all kinds of luck.

Jane Templeton called me recently and said she had a little item for the newsletter. She just about floored me when she announced she was to be married that afternoon in La-Fayette to William C. Gaines. They will live in Chicago. We sure hope you won't stop coming over to our meetings, Jane, and we do wish you all the happiness in the world.

our next meeting will be in Indianapolis at the Municipal Airport on September 29th.

NORTH CENTRAL SECTION NOTES

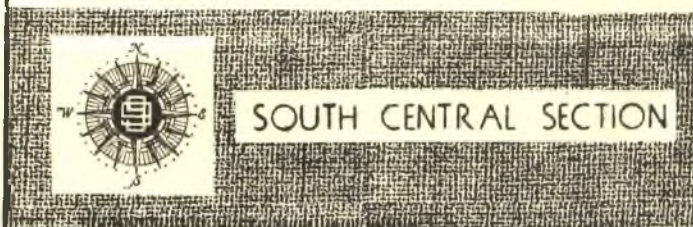
By Elsie Peters, Governor

Greetings from the Milwaukee Centurama. Our lake landing strip called "Maitland Field" is certainly buzzing with planes and flyers. Jeannette Lempke, our President, flew in for the Flyers Conference with two cases of freshly picked strawberries from her brother-in-law's farm. And were they delicious! Blanche Noyes, Florence O'Connor and Marjorie Layman also flew in.

Now about our Sectional meeting! Plans are being made to hold our fall meeting in Cleveland in conjunction with the Annual Meeting. Keep the four days in mind, August 30 - September 2 - and everybody try to attend both the Annual and the North Central Sectional meetings. You know you can't receive TWO for ONE everyday!

See you in Cleveland!

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OKLAHOMA CITY CHAPTER

By Elizabeth Sewell

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We had a beautiful Sunday morning for our meeting on July 21st in the Dining Room of the Skychef Restaurant at Municipal Airport here. The breakfast was delicious and conversation never ceased. Our business was well taken care of with our new chairman, Broneta Davis, presiding, and plans for our statewide meeting and new membership drive were the main discussion.

We were happy to welcome Mrs. Beth Smith, formerly of Shreveport, Louisiana, into our group. Guests included Pat Armstrong, of El Reno; Jerry Lambert, also of El Reno; and Bonnie Mitchell of Yukon. Mrs. Frank Keen flew in from Shawnee and Lillian Dixon and Charlene Creger from Norman gave us an idea of how it feels to be teaching ground school to ex-GI's.

Several of our members planned to attend the week-end event given by the Tulsa 99's at Monkey Island on Grand Lake. Sounded like a lot of fun.

We're planning to throw a big hangar dance to raise funds for the Amelia Earhart Memorial. We'd like to have all the NINETY-NINES in this section attend and bring their friends. Any suggestions will be appreciated in order to make it a big success.

Next meeting will be held August 11th at the Municipal Airport.

TULSA CHAPTER

By Pat Durham

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We have had several interesting events in Tulsa since getting organized. One was a breakfast at Okmulgee, Oklahoma on a Sunday morning. In spite of the fact that Nan Hall and Betty Boydston got their airplane slightly mired in the

mud while pushing it out of the hangar, (no one around to help at that hour in the morning) we finally made our arrival at Okmulgee. Others arriving were Oma Stamps, Jane Fink and Martha Hutcheson in Oma's Stinson 150. Jewell (Butch) Wolfe and Jewell Pearce flew an Aeronca Champion. Nobody got lost, in spite of low ceilings, and we all enjoyed a good breakfast at the "Ranch House."

On July 27th and 28th we went to Monkey Island on Grand Lake for the week end. Although we had anticipated some difficulty locating the airport, which is not on the chart, it was surprisingly easy to find. This was a joint outing with the Oklahoma City Chapter. Three airplanes from Oklahoma City arrived bringing Beth Smith, Mary Francis, Velma Woodard, Marsha Kelso, Jerry Kelso and Brunita Todd. Jewell Pearce, Scotty Rinehart, Betty Boydston, Una Faye Sullinger, Jewell Wolfe and Martha Hutcheson came from Tulsa. The party included lots of swimming and boating. Most of us can boast of a new and painful sunburn.

We were certainly glad to see so many members from Oklahoma City and enjoyed meeting those we didn't know and renewing friendship with those with whom we were already acquainted.

Plans are going forward for another joint meeting soon somewhere between Tulsa and Oklahoma City. Perhaps it will be in Cushing, Oklahoma.

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By Darline Thurmond
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Wedding bells rang out this month for Ruth Anderson, Seattle 99er. Ruth, who has been very active in chapter plans, is now Mrs. Curtman. The couple will leave the first of September for New York, where Ruth is eagerly looking forward to seeing her friends who were in the WASP program with her. Good luck, Ruth, we'll sure miss you. The chapter is losing one of its most active and well liked members.

The Amelia Earhart Fund netted \$6.00 at this month's meeting through a photography scheme. Pictures were taken of chapter members who in turn put the money for the prints into the Earhart fund. Dora Skinner, who traveled from Yakima for the meeting also donated \$2.50 to the fund. Betty Sheehan has been appointed Amelia Earhart Fund chairman for the Seattle chapter.

In an effort to raise chapter funds, the Seattle 99's will sell tickets for one night's performance at the Showboat Theatre on the University of Washington campus. The Showboat, which is copied from the old-time showboats, sets on Lake Washington just off the campus. The acting is done by university students. Dorothy Wheeler is chairman of the drive.

Janet Rapuzzi was all smiles at the meeting as she told members of just receiving her new Taylorcraft. Janet, who is a seaplane instructor on Lake Union, said that the

next step is to tow it down to the Lake and get a new set of floats on it.

The July meeting was held at the spacious Hunt's Point home of "Lindy" Miskell. Before the business meeting, 99ers, 49ers and guests, swam, played badminton and had a delicious picnic supper on the beach. Everybody filled up on juicy hamburgers fried on the outdoor fireplace, salads, coffee and all the trimmings. A beautiful white cake with the inscription "99s" and an airplane inscribed in red icing was the highlight of the dinner. "Lindy" modestly admitted that she was the pastry artist. Mildred Merrill entertained with her accordin. Irma Wallace, sectional governor, introduced plans for the sectional meeting to be held at Kent Skytel, August 9 and 10.

"Lindy" Miskell has been appointed chapter publicity chairman.

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BEYOND THE DEADLINE

I guess we're too much on the ball this month. At any rate, when the fifth rolled around we started work on the Ninety-Nines Newsletter and by the evening of the seventh, we had it just about completed as far as news from the chapters was concerned. Then in came some miscellaneous copy beyond the deadline. We realize you are anxious to have as much coverage as possible from the various chapters, so we decided we'd put the late news here. It's almost impossible to rip up a layout to allow for late news copy - so if you don't find your chapter represented under your Section you will probably find it below.

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CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER

By Adelaide O'Brien
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The Central Illinois Chapter met at the Hotel Orlando, Decatur, August 3. We were the guests at dinner of Mr. Hunter Moody, head of Decatur Aviation Company. Hunter, you may remember, established an endurance record in a light plane in 1939 when he and his brother Humphrey droned around the skies of Springfield, Illinois in a Taylorcraft for hours and hours and hours.

Also attending the meeting as guests of Mr. Moody were T. H. (Ted) Thompson of Clewiston, Florida, and Mack Johnson of Miami, Florida. They had dropped in to negotiate a deal on some bamboo bombers and couldn't resist joining the gal pilots for a short time.

Helen Greinke, (who incidentally has been in the hospital for a couple of weeks) was elected delegate of our chapter to the national meeting. Plans for attending the Air Races were discussed and there will be several of our gals there to meet the rest of you!

Helen Rohrer left Sunday morning for Cheyenne, Wyoming to spend part of her vacation in the wide open spaces. However, she will return in time to accompany the party of girls from Springfield who are going to Cleveland.

Got a letter from Lib Magnusson Smith announcing that marital weather was CAVU. Also heard from Helen Venskus who is with CAA Communications in Warsaw, Kentucky, now.

The next meeting of our Chapter will be in Quincy on September 7, with Mary Lou Musselman and Jo Irish in charge of arrangements. If any of you gals from nearby chapters can join us there, please do so. You can write to yours truly, or to Kay Hall, Box 115, Springfield, Illinois and get the dope. In the meantime, we hope to see lots of you gals in Cleveland.

By Lois Fairbank

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Thought I had my typewriter packed away for the summer but - you can't keep a good chapter down. We're flying!

The 13th of July found a few of our members winging their way toward Livingston Manor and a luncheon given by Kay Bourke. From all reports it was a grand flying day and a swell party. Marge Gray flew up in an Aeronca Champion with prospective 99'er, Dorothy Waldron. Kay Menges and Jeanne Oakes were also Aeronca minded. Betty Pettit and a future 99'er, Bernice Falk, arrived in Betty's new Cessna 140.

Plans are being made for another fly-in party in August at Mabel Clemson's Star Haven Airport at Middletown, New York. Mabel is off to Alaska in her Beechcraft but promises to be back for our party.

Guess most of the girls are off flying for news is rather scarce. Don't know how they do it, but Kay Menges off at Pluckemin Airport in the wilds of New Jersey, and Marge Gray, in between flights, seems to be gathering most of the news. They tell me that Jackie Cochran gave a cocktail party at her New York home for ex-WASPs, many of them 99'ers. Helen Mary Clark is spending her summer at Martha's Vineyard with a landing strip right smack in her back yard. Lib Gardner is ferrying a Cub to Panama. Bella Heineman stopped in at Newark Airport in the Howard she flies for a large corporation. Marion Florsheim is on a "western" trip. Ruth Chaney Streeter has given up "Colonel" for just plain "Mrs." and is enjoying a well deserved vacation in Maine. Florence Grismore is just back from a three weeks Ercoupe flight to California.

Well, that seems to be it for this trip. Hope to see a great many of our girls at Mabel's party.

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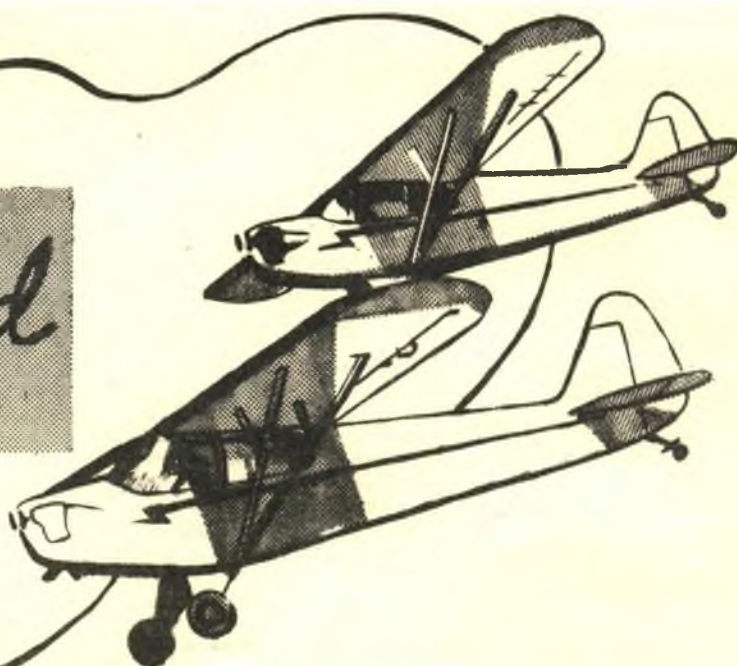
IMPORTANT NOTICE

BALLOTS FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF
THE NINETY-NINES WERE MAILED FROM
HEADQUARTERS THE FIRST OF AUGUST.
IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THESE BALLOTS
BE MARKED AND RETURNED AS SOON AS
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