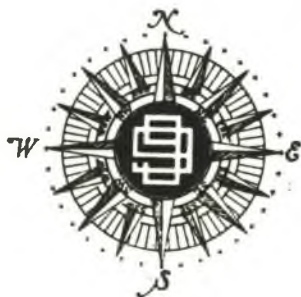


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## PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

March 1952

DEAR NINETY-NINES:

Wonder if you noticed that your News Letter arrived this month by First Class mail? This new policy will be in effect from now on in the hope that your copy will reach you while the news is still news - instead of being buried interminably in some forgotten corner of the postoffice with the Third Class Mail!

During January, I had the honor of representing the Ninety-Nines on a panel which considered "Resources and Ideas for Air Age Education" at the Air Age Education Clinic at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. Dr. Frank Sorenson, Director, and MARILYN LINK, Co-ordinator of the Air Age Division of Teachers College there, were responsible for arranging this comprehensive program - the theme of which was Maps, Charts and Globes. The privilege of hearing Mr. Edward F. Stapowich, noted Omaha meteorologist, Mr. John Furbay, TWA's brilliant director of Air World Education, Major Omer L. Cox, USAF Liaison Officer, Michigan Wing Civil Air Patrol, authority on the uses of aerial photography, and other experts was indeed an enriching experience for all who participated. JUNE WALSH represented the Ninety-Nines on a similar panel during the February conferences of the National Aviation Education Association in St. Louis.

Your Executive Committee met at our Headquarters in New York in February and accomplished a great deal in a short time. For one thing, as you now know, the site for the 1952 Convention was selected as Boston, July 11-13th. The Florida girls and the New England girls had both offered such attractive invitations that the decision was not an easy one for your Committee. Circumstances, however, indicated that the New England location would be the most auspicious for the Ninety-Nines this particular year. Preliminary plans are in this issue of the News Letter.

Your Executive Committee is pleased to announce the appointment of past-president JEANNETTE SOVEREIGN to the office of Permanent Trustee of the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund to replace the late MARGARET MANSER. ALMA HARWOOD, one of the founding Trustees of the Fund, will continue as the other Permanent Trustee.

Do you all know about the wonderful Air Age Education Workshop for teachers being co-sponsored by the Civil Air Patrol and the University of Colorado at Boulder July 23 - August 26 this summer? An outstanding staff of experts is being assembled from all over the country for the five week session, and the \$150 fee includes tuition, room and board. Interested teachers may apply for scholarships from their local Civil Air Patrol Wing. Qualified Ninety-Nines may apply for the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Award of \$200 for this Workshop. See Scholarship announcement in this issue.

AMALIE STONE, our enthusiastic Vice-President, has temporarily forsaken her wings for sails - she has embarked on a six months cruise among the islands of the South Pacific on an 80 foot schooner! Just before "shoving off" from Panama the other day, Amalie called me on the short wave radio of a Canal Zone Ham - and we had nearly a half hour of wonderful conversation! Part of the schooner's course will parallel that of the Kon-Tiki till they reach the islands. Later they will continue to Australia where Amalie will contact NANCY ELLIS and other Ninety-Nines there. Amalie would love to hear from us - c/o Yacht "Arthur Rogers," Papeete, Tahiti, French Oceania.

The Ninety-Nines certainly are getting around this old Globe of ours! Past-president BELLE HETZEL is off on an airline tour of South America. BETTE GLASER is touring Europe, North Africa, and the Near East; and NAN SPEARS is off to London and Paris this spring!

Meanwhile your President continues to confine her travels for the present to these United States. In February, I enjoyed a delicious luncheon and delightful visit with the New England Ninety-Nines at the Copley-Plaza - now Sheraton-Plaza - in Boston. Flew on down to New York for the Executive Committee meeting, a visit to our International Headquarters and a most enjoyable dinner meeting with the New York-New Jersey Section at the Town Hall Club. Now I am looking forward with keen anticipation to the Spring Meeting of the South Central Section in Wichita the end of March!

Yours for the NINETY-NINES!

ALICE H. HAMMOND  
President

1952 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION, BOSTON, MASS.  
JULY 11-13

PRELIMINARY PLANS

OFFICIAL AIRPORT - Lawrence Municipal Airport (also known as Richard Condon Memorial Airport)  
Three runways - 3200 ft., 3600 ft., 4000 ft.. used by Northeast Airlines  
Bring own tie-downs - some hangar space available.  
No landing fee - no tie-down charge - gas tanks topped - will be radio.

FRIDAY - JULY 11 - FLY-IN DAY  
Lawrence Chamber of Commerce and Airport Commission are entertaining with cocktails and lobster feed and providing transportation to the hotel afterward.

A private home in Andover is being opened for our convenience - has swimming pool, tennis courts, handball and squash courts.

SATURDAY - JULY 12 - BUSINESS MEETING  
There will be a planned luncheon and the banquet. Details later.

SUNDAY - JULY 13  
Sightseeing trips around historic Boston and seashore.

HOTEL INFORMATION

Hotel Enclosures will be in later News Letter

Sheraton-Plaza (formerly Copley-Plaza)

Singles - \$5.85, \$6.85, \$7.85, \$9.85  
Doubles - \$8.80, \$9.90, \$11.00  
Twins - \$11.00, \$12.00, \$15.00  
Suites - \$22.00, \$25.00, \$30.00  
Cots in rooms - \$2.50 each

European Plan - Towne Room Coffee Shop serves very reasonable meals. Other hotel dining rooms of varying prices.

Also many interesting and good places to eat in neighborhood.

NOTES FROM HEADQUARTERS

Enclosed with this edition of the News Letter is an interim financial report of the expense of our new Headquarters and a brief comparison with last year's cost. We think we are on a firm financial basis now and hope that you do too.

We have been trying very hard to get the membership files in top condition. Checking memberships as to identification cards, correct addresses, correct chapter memberships, and such detail has taken several hundred individual letters to members and chapter officers. We believe it is of benefit to the Ninety-Nines, Inc., and therefore worth the effort. Less work in the future too.

For the first time in our history we own some office equipment: a new four drawer steel file and a four-section file for membership cards, which will facilitate the work.

By now you have received the new Roster and the Constitution. Any news for the News Letter should be sent directly to Helen Anderson for editing. All news should reach the editor by the first day of each month. This will enable us to mail the News Letter to you by the middle of each month. The Headquarters staff is responsible only for the mechanics of getting the News Letter out to members.

HEADQUARTERS COMMITTEE

Helen McChesney Mennito  
Lois Fairbanks  
Kay Menges Brick  
Marjorie B. Davis, Chairman

1952 AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

FROM NOW until midnight, May 15, 1952, the trustees for the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship will welcome each and every one of your applications for the 1952 Award. The eligibility requirements for the 1952 Award remain unchanged from those set up for previous Awards, to-wit:

1. The Applicant must have been an active NINETY-NINE member in good standing for at least two consecutive years immediately prior to the current application.
2. She must have a minimum of 200 solo hours and hold a Private rating or better.
3. She must be earning not less than \$500, nor more than \$2500 per year. A married woman is eligible, but her financial needs will be evaluated in the light of her husband's income and work.
4. If applying for an airman rating, she must agree to use the rating or certification acquired through the Award for at least two years.
5. She must intend to work in the field of Aviation, broadly interpreted.
6. Application may be accompanied by a one-page letter of recommendation, such as from an employer. The applicant is asked to inclose a snapshot or other picture.
7. The application must be notarized.
8. Postmark for returning the application must be not later than midnight, May 15th, 1952.

The \$200 scholarship may be applied toward tuition for any course of study or training to advance her in some career in the aeronautical field, and is paid to the school or institution of the winner's selection. For example, it may be used for training as aeronautical engineer, meteorologist, aircraft or engine mechanic, aviation medicine, advanced airman's ratings.

Applications are carefully considered by each of the five Trustees, and in previous years those applications rated highest by the Trustees have been sent on to three men outstanding in Aviation for final judging. The applicant receiving the highest score is contacted by the Chairman to make sure her plans as set forth in her application remain unchanged.

The winner will be announced at the 1952 Annual Meeting.

Do not hesitate to apply for the 1952 Scholarship, even though your application may not have won the Award in previous years.

REMEMBER THE DEADLINE - MAY 15, 1952

Two application forms are being sent to your Chapter Chairman and to your Sectional Governor, but if you are unable to get one of these, I will promptly send you an application form upon receipt of your self-addressed stamped envelope.

Jeannette L. Sovereign, Chairman  
Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship  
2136 Center Ave., Bay City, Mich.

THE SIXTH ANNUAL TRANSCONTINENTAL AIR RACE

Santa Ana, California, to Teterboro, New Jersey  
July 4, 1952 - July 9, 1952

Send your requests for copies of the Rules and Regulations to:

Mrs. Betty Loufek  
Air Race Committee  
5316 Carita Street  
Long Beach 8, California  
(please send 10¢ for postage)

The 1952 TAR is limited to stock model aircraft only, not exceeding 300 horsepower. Two-way radio is mandatory.

All participating aircraft must be turned over to the Air Race Committee at Orange County Airport, Santa Ana, California, before 1700 Pacific Standard Time on Tuesday, July 1st.



Applications for Entry must be postmarked not earlier than May 1st and not later than June 20th. The entry fee for members-in-good-standing of The Ninety-Nines is \$20. The entry fee for non-members is \$25. Only 80 applications will be accepted so be sure to get yours in as soon as the entries open on the 1st of May.

The route of the 1952 TAR will be as follows (subject to possible changes): Green Airway #5 from Santa Ana to Abilene, Texas. Thence via Oklahoma City; Springfield, Mo.; St. Louis, Terra Haute, Vandalia, Wheeling and Harrisburg to Teterboro. The "designated" airports will be announced later.

A list of the revised handicap speeds for all aircraft will be mailed to you with your copy of the Rules and Regulations.

We are looking forward to seeing you at Santa Ana on the 1st of July. Make your plans now for participating in the 1952 TAR!

Mardo Crane, Chairman  
1952 Air Race Committee  
by: B.H.G.

#### 1952 Air Race Committee

Mardo Crane, Chairman  
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Kay Brick - Operations at Teterboro  
Marjorie Davis - Social, Teterboro



Doris Weller and Josephine Allison at Monterrey, Mexico, the first stop on the Flying Farmers' air tour of Mexico.

#### MEXICAN VISIT

In February the Flying Farmers of America went on their third annual visit to Mexico with an estimated 375 persons aboard 200 planes. Twenty-four of the forty-eight states were represented on the tour.

Representing the Ninety-Nines were Josephine Allison and Doris Weller of the Texas Chapter. It was a grand trip from start to finish with perfect flying weather the whole time except for a dust storm encountered in Texas.

The first stop was Monterrey, Mexico where a reception was held at the airport and all the fliers were given a very attractive identification tag decorated with a small serape and a Mexican peso. That evening a cocktail party and buffet dinner were held at the Luisiana Restaurant there, and then a moonlight ride around the Plaza in a horse-drawn surrey.

An all-day tour the next day included the Governor's Palace, Obispedo, the Carta Blanca Brewery, and a drive to beautiful Horsetail Falls in the mountains for lunch. After lunch we were entertained with a typical Mexican cock-fight and a burro race. In the evening a dinner dance was given at the Monterrey Club.

From Monterrey two alternative tours were scheduled. The 99's chose the one which included a week at beautiful Acapulco on the Pacific Coast. Words cannot describe the beauty and restful atmosphere of that heavenly place. But a good sun tan and many happy memories of swimming, sightseeing, sunbathing and night-clubbing were acquired there. Marie Rushing and her 49 1/2'er have a lovely home in Acapulco and it was good to see them.

Mexico, D.F., one of the most charming cities of the world, was another stop on the tour. It would take weeks to see all the interesting places there, but we saw enough in a few days to make us want to return for another visit. We did visit the National Palace, Chapultepec's

Castle, the Cathedral, pyramids, American Embassy, beautiful residential districts, and made a tour of the night clubs.

Some other stops along the way were Tampico, Cuernavaca, and Taxco, all very beautiful and charming.

One of the biggest thrills of the trip was flying right past the two 18,000 ft. volcanoes, Popocatepetl and Ixtaccihuatl, with their permanent snow caps. From our Bonanza windows we enjoyed the magnificent mountainous scenery and the colorful little Mexican villages perched on the steep slopes. Flying over beautiful Acapulco Bay was another memorable experience. We came to the conclusion that flying was really the way to see Mexico, and navigating down there is not too difficult even though they have few radio aids.

We urge more of the Ninety-Nines to join the tour next year. The Flying Farmers and the Mexican Government are very fine hosts.

Doris Weller

EDITOR'S NOTE: Jerry Gardiner of Waterford, Connecticut, also went on the Flying Farmer Tour and reported a wonderful time. She heard there were other 99's along. Did you all wear your pins?

#### CHAPTER NEWS

#### NEW ENGLAND SECTION

By: A. Ann Cutler

December 12 the New England Section had a small meeting at 99 State Street, Boston. We welcomed Charlotte Sullivan just out of the hospital. Other illnesses are under control now.

Governor Sally Driver announced that a generous but anonymous person was willing to sponsor a New England girl in the TAR. Who will be the lucky girl to take up the offer of a lifetime?

Our January meeting was held at the Aviation Training School in Boston. Travel movies from Pan American Airways were shown after the short business meeting.

The February meeting was a luncheon at the Copley Plaza Hotel honoring our President, Alice Hammond. This reporter was unable to be present but about twelve girls came. It was a most successful affair and enjoyed by all.

#### NEW YORK - NEW JERSEY SECTION

By: Lois Fairbank

Our congratulations to Marjorie M. Gray, Vice-Governor, who has taken over the duties of Governor, replacing Helen McChesney Menitto who has joined her husband in Florida where he is now piloting for National Airlines.

On January 14th we had an open meeting at Le Champignon in New York, and we were given a very complete report from Marjorie B. Davis, Chairman of the New York Reception Committee for the TAR. Plans are really moving ahead and we guarantee the girls a very fine time while here in the City. The headquarters hotel will be the Park Sheraton with full facilities including the swimming pool.

We welcomed four prospective members: Barbara Butterworth, private pilot; Polly Alley, private pilot; Frances Kerr, commercial pilot with her own Cessna 140 which she hopes to enter in the TAR; Frances Fegley, private pilot.

We also said Hello to some transferees and members who have been away a long, long time. Hope that these gals will be with us often - Jill McCormick, Betsy Ross, Bea Hymen and Helen Mary Clarke who is on a mobilization assignment with the Air Force as a major, and Mildred Carson.

On February 11th we had a meeting at the Town Hall Club with Alice Hammond as our guest. It was nice to have Alice with us so that the old-timers could renew acquaintance and the new members meet with our president.



Further reports on the progress of plans for the arrival of the TAR show that everything is moving along with the usual Marjorie Davis smoothness and originality. Alice announced that Boston was to be the 1952 Convention City, and plans are being made for a mass flight from Teterboro, the terminus of the race, to Boston. We should really fill the skies.

Other news items: Clemmy Bast just back from Europe and a report that Nan Spears leaves for there soon. Murray Hake Fisher announced arrival of her second 24 3/4, Sterling Bruce, on October 29, 1951. Fleur-de-lys Loesch got in the way of a taxi en route to mail her 99 card and we wish her speedy recovery. Walter Cronan, 49 1/2 of Selma, reported to be well on the mend.

See you in July.

#### M I D D L E E A S T E R N S E C T I O N

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER  
By: Christine Siegl

Our February meeting was held in Reading at the River-edge on the 3rd. Present were Leona McElroy, Virginia Cheatham, Ruth Shafer, Marge Kodrich, Lillian Mark, Georgina Young, Mary Jane Godshalk, Fran Nolde, Millie Zimmerman, Doris Wetherhold, Violette Blair, Katherine Gaul and Georgianna Herdman and Marie Miller with their 491/2ers. After lunch Fran Nolde told us of her very interesting trip to Hawaii and Alaska made in connection with her work with the Civil Air Patrol.

Our officers for the year are, Millie Zimmerman, Chairman; Jane Morris, Vice-Chairman; Katherine Gaul, Secretary; and Lillian Mark, Treasurer.

Early in January a meeting of our officers and committee chairmen was held in Reading. The schedule for meetings was decided upon and it appears we will be covering quite a bit of our territory this year. The next one will be in April at Lancaster and after that, Blairstown in June, Delaware in August, Philadelphia in October and back to Reading in December.

Mary Jane Godshalk surprised me at work a couple of Sundays ago when she flew in to Allentown in her J-3. It was nice seeing you, Mary Jane.

MEADVILLE CHAPTER  
By: Vega Ihnen

Due to poor weather and other circumstances, only four 99's managed to congregate for the January 14th dinner meeting at Meadville's Beacon Inn. Since there was no quorum present, the evening was spent mostly comparing aerial notes.

Jean Swartwood, our busy instructor at Port Meadville airport, recently spent a day flying over ten towns to give ground observers plane spotting practice in conjunction with the local Civil Defense program.

And here are a few wing tips in re our members: Eleu Miller recently traveled to South Carolina to await the advent of grandmother-hood again! ... Marian Freund is busy these days redecorating her home ... Jean Swartwood, deer hunting for the first time, recently, bagged her quarry--and proved herself more of a Nimrod than her state trooper hubby! ... we're all very sorry to hear that Mary Will Parker has entered her resignation as a member of our chapter ranks. We'll miss you, Mary Will.

WASHINGTON, D.C. CHAPTER  
by: Barbara Jenison

Our new year is off to a good start with 21 members present at the January meeting held at Katherine Stinson's home. Everyone was asked for ideas for interesting and instructive programs for the year, with the result that we are all looking forward to the meetings. Ada Mitchell, our flying chairman, suggested a mass flight of our members to the International Convention next summer, and we are now working on ways and means to make the flight possible. We are also raising money at each meeting to send one member to the International Convention. Ada brought a Mexican pottery bowl to be raffled off, and Louise Millican picked the lucky number.

We all extend our most sincere sympathy to Corinne Collett in the loss of her husband Bill, who was stationed at the Naval Intelligence School, Anacostia, D.C.

We had no December meeting, but it was a busy month. First and foremost in our minds is the Wright Day dinner, December 17, and we were most pleased and honored at having our International president, Alice Hammond, at our Ninety-Nine table. It was so nice to have a visit with her. We also saw Fran Nolde in a lovely white "cloud" dress, and Arlene Davis, vivacious as always. Blanche Noyes was most elegant in a beautiful silver blue mink cape, with a note attached to it saying it was not a "Washington" mink.

Manila Talley had a luncheon at the Willard for Alice Hammond and Arlene Davis, with as many of the Ninety-Nines as could attend. We were sorry that Alice could not stay for the dinner that Anita Branger gave for Arlene at the Statler. It was fun.

We want to thank all the chapters who sent us Christmas greetings. We also received cards from Betty Boselli and Ada Rogata.

Our congratulations to Vera and Eric Foster. It's a boy!

We are most happy to welcome Carolyn Terry as a new member.

We have been hearing of the wonderful time that Mary Jane Sasala had in Buenos Aires for six weeks. She and Blanche Noyes were lucky enough to get to the Miami Air Races.

Perry Robinson arranged a luncheon meeting for forty boys from her aviation classes in three of the Washington high schools. Blanche Noyes was one of the speakers and told of the quaint instructions given to buyers of early airplanes.

#### S O U T H E A S T E R N S E C T I O N

TENNESSEE CHAPTER  
By: Evelyn Bryar

Although it has been several weeks, we cannot let our last meeting go by without mention. We met January 20th at Lovell Field, Chattanooga. It was really the nicest meeting we have ever held. The weather was ideal, and Sarah Duke was the perfect hostess. She gave us a wonderful picnic lunch in the pilots' lounge. Ruth Thomas and Dee Sidnor flew down from Knoxville in Dee's Cessna. Dee is a prospective member. Cora McDonald, our Chairman, came down to Morristown from Bristol and we went in my Pacer, landing at Knoxville to pick up Eddie Lee Griffin. Helen Deason, Georganne McConnell and Mary Jane Livingston drove over from Nashville. Sarah Duke brought a prospective member Carolyn Chamberlain. It was really nice when we arrived to find a sign on the door of the pilots' lounge "Welcome 99's," signed by many aviation notables around Chattanooga, including the Mayor.

We did not set a definite date for our next meeting, so as not to conflict with the Spring Sectional meeting which will be held soon. We are trying to hold our meetings in such a way as to not put a financial burden on any of the girls, since we are so scattered and part of us will always have to travel a long way.

We welcome Betty Wicker who is transferring to our Chapter from the Carolinas. Betty is now living at 1661 Pineola Ave., Kingsport, Tenn. We hope she will soon be able to attend our meetings. At present she is busy looking after her new son who arrived December 17th.

CAROLINAS CHAPTER  
By: Dorothy Shackelford

The attendance at the January 27th meeting of Carolinas Chapter in Columbia, S.C. was reduced because of bad weather in North Carolina, although South Carolina was in the clear and the S.C. girls on hand. Only our new member, Edith Long, and 49 1/2er Odell, got through by plane from Charlotte. Betty Hamilton had to drive down and Chairman Burnette Spencer and Louise Smith arrived from High Point, N.C. in a car bristling with antennae from Burnette's mobile C.A.P. Blue Dog -- radio to you, if you don't belong. Word from North Carolina is that Burnette is doing a bang-up job operating a fixed station at Fraley Field in High Point -- which field she and husband John manage. She is now Lieutenant Spencer and an executive officer of the Cadet Board. Louise recently served on Safety Panel sponsored by the Guilford County Pilots and C.A.P.

At the meeting which followed a dutch luncheon in the municipal building of Columbia Airport, Betty Hamilton



gave a glowing account of the new Ninety-Nine headquarters in New York which she had visited on a recent visit, and of the very efficient management. Edith Long told of a wonderful flight she and Odell had made to Cuba following the Miami Air Races and of plans to join the Columbia Aero Club on a mass flight to the Virgin Islands in April. The Longs and their Bonanza are constantly on the wing to some interesting spot. Louise and Herman Smith recently flew down to Sea Island, Georgia for a weekend.

Everyone was thrilled over the news of Amalie Stone's fabulous cruise to Tahiti, starting in February. But, my, how we hate to lose her for so long - at least six months. She has been so upset that her "chance of a lifetime" trip should come to her during the year she is International Vice-President. It has been a terrific decision for her to make. Amalie says she will be pining away for news from home and hopes her friends will drop her a line. Mail sent in April or May should reach her in June when she will actually be in Tahiti. Her address will be % Yacht Arthur Rogers, Papeete, Tahiti, French Oceania. If she will drop me a few cards, I'll keep you posted on her travels. Don't tell her I told you, but this gal who gaily braves the turbulence of the sky blue yonder, is leaving loaded with seasick pills! Bon Voyage, Amalie, we are green with envy, not, alas, with mal-de-mer.

Our next meeting on March 23d, is planned for High Point with Louise Smith. It's a party, girls, so make your plans ahead of time. Surely our bad luck can't last forever and this time we'll have clear skies and good flying.

We were all saddened by the news of Cokie's death, a tragic loss to the Ninety-Nines. Our deepest sympathy to North Central Section, so dear to her heart and for which she did such a wonderful job.

#### N O R T H C E N T R A L S E C T I O N

##### IOWA CHAPTER

By: Helen R. Gallentine

Our January meeting of the Iowa Chapter of the Ninety-Nines was held the eighteenth at the Hyperion Field Club in Des Moines, Iowa. Betty Bengt was our hostess and we had a dutch dinner with our meeting after we had eaten. We had a nice turnout with nine girls attending.

We were all shocked when we heard the news of Cokie's death. It just doesn't seem possible that she has left us. We will certainly miss her at the Sectional meetings.

Irene Dalby has a few night flying hours to fly and then she is ready for her commercial flight check.

Eight members of the Iowa Chapter, 2 guests and one 49 1/2er, attended a business meeting and buffet dinner, February 15th at the home of Florence Chamberlain. Her husband was the lone 49 1/2er present. The guests were Peggy Short Ginsberg and Ruth Shimon, our North Central Section Governor and a member of the Upper Iowa Chapter. Ruth was on her way to St. Louis to meet with the girls there.

##### INDIANA CHAPTER

By: Joan Ferguson

The January meeting was held on the 20th at St. Joseph County Airport at South Bend. As the weather was inclement our Chairman Jane Shope, who was flying in with Betty Pettitt, was forced to turn back. We had snow flurries all day and Mildred Hurt had to go back and catch an air liner. Marie Thompson was grounded at Lafayette with her passenger. However, we had eleven members, four prospective members and two guests. Plans for the sectional were discussed, which is about all we will do between now and May.

While on the subject of the Sectional, since I am chairman of the Prize Committee, I wish all you Indiana girls would send your prizes to me as soon as you collect them. My address is R. R. 7, Box 326, Anderson, Indiana.

Mildred Hurt, Jane Shope and Joan Ferguson met in Indianapolis on Jan. 23 for luncheon and a discussion of plans for the Sectional. So far things are shaping up fine.

The February meeting was held at Weir Cook Municipal Airport on Feb. 17. We welcomed three new members, Loral Mae Grant, Shirley Mooser and Wava Geiger.

After lunch we had our business meeting - all about the sectional. Prizes are rolling in and we are having

Charles J. Horn, Chief of Civil Aeronautics in Washington, D.C. for speaker.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Betty Pettitt and Betty Cull - both of whom have recently lost their fathers.

##### MICHIGAN CHAPTER

by: Faye Kirk

February 10, Margaret Windfuhr served a wonderful lunch at her home in Lansing - we roasted hot dogs in the basement fireplace. The beautiful weather brought out a large crowd.

Our Chapter was stunned by the sudden passing of Thelma's husband, Bert Lindzey, January 29. We know Thelma has the heartfelt sympathy of all the 99's who knew him.

The April meeting will be held the 20th at Midland (because of Easter) and the May meeting will be the 18th because of Mother's Day.

The Michigan Chapter held a luncheon meeting January 13th at Bishop Airport, Flint, with Bereniece Trimble and Gertrude Prochaska as hostesses. After the business meeting, no one seemed to be in a hurry to leave so Bereniece gave us a most enlightening discourse on the Omnicorator.

##### KENTUCKY CHAPTER

By: Teresa Cecil

Our February meeting was held at Bowman Field, Louisville, where we were the guests of Jane Ralston and Georgia Heitkemper who took us to lunch at Boland's. After lunch we visited Bowman Tower and discussed aviation and its dangerous aspects, with the CAA. Our visit was very interesting and education/as some of us had never been in a Tower - having been accustomed to flying from a country field in the range of hills that are typically "My Old Kentucky Home," where a wind sock is our only directional evidence.

The meeting was mostly spent in discussing the tragic and untimely death of our former Governor and Publicity Chairman, Mrs. Greenwood Cocanougher. Her absence was cited by us all as a great mishap and a loss to aviation. Her personality will long be remembered as her vivacious manner is one that will live in our memories.

We visited the Kentucky Wing Commander of the Civil Air Patrol, Colonel J. B. Wathen III, and discussed the advancement of his defense program for the coming year.

We acquired one new member, Marguerite Keith, and in turn swapped one of our members into the Flying Farmers.

##### ALL-OHIO CHAPTER

By: Jeanne Hunt

We had our February meeting at the lovely home of Mildred and Paul Harshman of Dayton. Martha Walter was co-hostess. We've been seeing entirely too little of Martha this year. Alice Schlott didn't let the snow drifts around her Cessna stop her. She just hopped on an air liner. Edith Harmon shoved her way up from Cincinnati, as did John and Blanche O'Brien from Greenville.

Edith Harmon is taking Marge Gorman's place as Secretary-Treasurer. We hope Marge gets along fine and that it will be a girl. Just thinking of future Ninety-Nines.

To the Indiana Chapter: Plans for the spring Sectional sound grand. Quite a number of our chapter plan to attend. If we can help in any way, just let us know.

##### WISCONSIN CHAPTER

By: Mary Lou Thompson

Sally Lathrop has been promoted in CAP from Major to Lieutenant-Colonel, and has been designated "Co-ordinator of Women's Activities of Wisconsin Wing CAP." Sally's son John was married in Madison, on February 16.

Navy Lt. and Mrs. Wm. Behringer became the proud parents of a daughter, Susan Lee, on February 15th. Mrs. Behringer is the former Mayetta Wiedemann.

Florence Fintak entertained us for the February meeting. She is in Milwaukee on "temporary duty" from Gunter AFB, Montgomery, Alabama, attending Marquette University and will go back to Montgomery for reassignment. Florence, a Captain, USAF, put on a Flight Nurse Demonstration at the Air Force Open House at Mitchell Field on February 17.



Isabel Kress and her 49 1/2er flew down to the Florida Air Races in January. Lucky people!

#### GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER By: Katherine Peck

Marie Kuhlman and her 49 1/2er flew down to Florida for a few weeks vacation in their Bellanca. Elizabeth Inwood and Louis went with them, although Louis practically had to commute to Kansas City for some unexpected official business.

Some of the girls are taking an active part in aviation affairs of the city, and we are proud to say they are Ninety-Nines. Marie Kuhlman was named Aviation Chairman of the Women's Chamber of Commerce. Our new member, Dee Southard, was named Air Age Education Chairman, and is full of ideas and enthusiasm for the months to come. Esther Roth is another new member added to our roster. These new members are like a shot in the arm to the chapter. Both are so enthusiastic about all our activities that it really peps us all up.

Plans are being made now for a big Spring Dance, probably a hangar dance, sometime in April. Besides having a lot of fun, we hope to supplement our treasury a little. Definite announcements will be made later. Our Christmas party was such a success, we feel like only a hangar could hold our next party. Those who live within our range watch for the latest word.

Our long range planning includes about two breakfast flights a month, so get some time in and schedule the planes.

#### ILLINOIS CHAPTER By: Jessie Gronowski

One of our most interesting meetings was held on January 17th in the conference rooms of United Air Lines in the Loop. Esther Noffke was in charge of the program and this consisted of a talk on safe flying, dealing particularly with winter flying and its various problems. Esther also brought along every conceivable type of blank to be filled out - from an accident report to an application for a rating, and these were discussed in detail.

Alice Kudrna and Evelyn Martin also gave a few pointers from past experience in winter flying.

There was just a hint of spring in the air on Thursday, February 21st, when the Chicago Chapter met at the United Air Lines conference room for their monthly meeting.

We entertained our guests with a color sound film from United Air Lines depicting a DC-6 flight from San Francisco to New York City--and ending up with an instrument approach into LaGuardia Airport. Our guests were two groups of Wing Scouts and two officers from the CAP. The Wing Scouts told us of their aims and organization, and were introduced to us by our Alice Kudrna who has given them much of her time.

Our next meeting will be a dinner meeting held at Eitel's Restaurant in the Field Building on March 20th, at 6:30 pm. We have a speaker scheduled to tell us of the work the Civil Defense Director of Illinois is doing, and we hope to find out just where the 99's can be of the most service.

It was decided that in the future we would have a dinner meeting every January, and at this time honor the Ninety-Nine in our own Chapter who had done the most for the Chapter. It might be the girl who gives so generously of her time for the rummage sale, or it might be someone who devotes her energy to the air meet every year--and then again, it might be some gal who gets the most members, etc.

Do any of you near-by chapters want to plan a get-together picnic or breakfast in the coming Spring months? Dora, how about the southern half of Illinois coming up to the northern half this Spring sometime?

Note to all chapters of the North Central Section: We are going to see if we can't possibly get every member to the Sectional Meeting at Fort Wayne, Indiana, on May 3 and 4. How about you? Planning it this far ahead of that date, we feel we might be able to swing it!

#### GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER By: Loretta Slavick

We were invited to participate in another aircraft accident prevention program. Accidents caused by weather were discussed at this meeting and all pilots attending

are very enthused about this type of meeting and urged us to have more of them.

Members of our group assisted in the meeting of the National Aviation Education Council which met in St. Louis. Together with the NWAA, we handled registration and hospitality and furnished stenographers for the various discussion groups. Our Chairman, June Walsh, was on one of the panels which discussed Air Age Education programs. Principal speakers for the meeting were Mr. Charles A. Horne, Administrator of CAA, Dr. John Furbay, Director World Education, TWA, and General J. Montgomery, Strategic Air Command, Offutt Field, Omaha. This meeting was held in connection with the national meeting of the American Association of School Administrators. Teachers from all parts of the country attended and were told that among other aids in Air Age Education, Ninety-Nines in all parts of the country would help them with their programs.

#### UPPER IOWA CHAPTER By: Virginia Koestner

Our February meeting was held Sunday, the 17th, in Fort Dodge. Helen Flaherty was our hostess, the Venetian Room of Tony's Restaurant the setting. Following some wonderful appetizers, a delicious dinner was served. A quarterly business meeting was held with all committee reports being read and open discussion following.

Beulah Frotcher did her bit for Civil Defense last month by donating blood to the Bloodmobile. She recently lent a helping hand to the Fort Dodge Laboratory by flying a photographer over a section of the plant to take pictures for advertising purposes.

The coming meetings are: Spencer - Kern McKinnon - March 16th; Fort Dodge - April 20th; Waterloo - Verna Prochaska - May 18th.

### S O U T H C E N T R A L S E C T I O N

#### KANSAS CHAPTER By: Bobbe Slade

The most important piece of news is that the Spring South Central Sectional Meeting has definitely been scheduled for Wochita and will be held the week-end of March 28, 29 and 30. Plans are now under way to make this a big meeting so they will be glad they chose Wichita. We hope to see all the South Central Section members here and all of the other 99's who can make it to Wichita that week-end. There'll be PARTIES, TOURS AND PRIZES. (We will also be celebrating our First Birthday that week-end.)

#### MISSOURI VALLEY CHAPTER By: Dorothy Higbee

On February 17th we held our monthly meeting at the Omaha Municipal Airport. Six Omaha members were present.

We are sorry to learn that our Chapter Secretary Lois (Bolen) Durham will be moving to Missouri about January 1st. However, she plans to retain her membership here for the present. Marj McBride will become our new Secretary.

Pauline and Earl Hawks plan to participate in the Flying Farmers Air Tour to Monterey and Mexico City. Dorothy and Claude Reed left in their Stinson for a flight to Houston, Texas.

Our hangar party and box social held on February ninth was a great success.

Our March meeting has been set for March 16th to be held at the Omaha Municipal Airport.

#### TEXAS CHAPTER

#### ARK-LA-TEX UNIT By: Barbara Williams

Torrential rains, hail and lightning couldn't keep us and our 49 1/2ers from our February 19 meeting - we knew there was a fish fry at the end of the road. Loraine Averett and her husband Curtis (both private pilots) were hosts in their attractive home on Lone Star Lake, Daingerfield. They'd been fishing and cooking for a week, at least, to judge from the amount of food they offered.

Mildred and Robert Carney drove the longest distance to attend the party - 83 miles from Shreveport. Essie Mae



and T. M. Hollis came 70 miles from Henderson. Virginia and Brownie McJilton and Barbara and Slush Williams drove 40 miles from Gladewater.

The Ark-La-Tex Unit has received an invitation to enjoy free food at a Caddo Lake restaurant, Syble Sanders of Marshall reports. The proprietor wants the members and their 49 1/2ers to fly in to a nearby landing strip some Sunday afternoon. He says he will feed the wives free but will make the husbands pay for their own meals. When Syble told him the Unit had only nine members, he broadened the invitation to "all the Ninety-Nines in Texas." How about it, y'all? Want to visit East Texas?

#### DALLAS UNIT

By: Doris Weller

Members of the Dallas Unit met for dinner at the Reserve Officers Club at Love Field and then held the regular business meeting. Those present were Martha Ann Reading, Delphine Bohn, Olean Sellers, Jo Allison and Doris Weller. A beautiful leather scrapbook was given the Texas Chapter by Edna Hammerman. We plan to have a scrapbook party soon and get all of our clippings and pictures pasted in.

Randy Hapgood, who is a second year student at Stephens College, Mo., has a brand new Cessna 170. She uses it to visit her parents on their ranch near Henrietta, Texas.

#### EL PASO UNIT

By: Florence McDermott

It's not going to be any easy matter for El Paso Ninety-Nines to win the monthly spot landing contest held here at International Airport. Rules have been tightened now so that the contestant not only has to land in the 100-foot circle, but they have to be on the other side of the line. No more short landings.

El Paso members are going to try the contest with its new streamlined rules for the first time this month. The fliers try to outland each other 12 times a year to determine the winner of a trophy.

Mrs. Anne Duthie left no doubt in anyone's mind that she earned a trophy now decorating the fireplace in her living room. Anne had to work hard to earn the trophy topped with a winged globe. She had to set her Hercoupe down within a circle three times to finally nose out her close competitor, Mrs. Lois Hailey in the runoff contest for the best spot lander this year in El Paso.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Stella Priest of San Antonio had a wonderful trip in her twin engine Cessna when she flew along with the Texas State Aviation and Ninety-Nine groups to Edinburg, Texas. The fliers were guests of the Texas Land and Development Company for three days and were given a tour of the Rio Grande Valley, a boat ride, seafood dinner, and visits to different supper clubs each night in Reynosa, Mexico.

### SOUTHWESTERN SECTION

#### TUCSON CHAPTER

By: Beatrice Edgerly

The monthly meeting of the Tucson Chapter was held Sunday, January 20, accompanied by local flights with Chairman Maggie Schock, Grace Pistor, Mary Johnston and Gertrude Gelderman piloting. Future flight meetings and varied plans were under discussion.

Ann Martin Hecker of Tucson's 99's, is a trap and skeet expert with national honors to her credit. She distinguished herself at the Fourth Annual Arizona State Trapshoot Meet this month, winning top honors in several events including Arizona Doubles Title and 'high lady gun' in the handicap scoring, while her 49 1/2er husband, Richard Hecker, was crowned Arizona Over-All Champion in the tournament.

#### LAS VEGAS CHAPTER

By: Martha Lundy

Our last meeting was held at the home of Clarice Bessent (who served refreshments in the Valentine motif). We welcomed another new member, Lela Halliday. The fund raising prize was won by Martha Lundy, and another prize, donated by Hotel Last Frontier, was won by Lela Halliday. Solange D'Hooghe showed colored moving pictures of her trip to Europe.

The office and hangar belonging to Swiftaire at McCarran Field was completely burned, and with it the records kept by Helen McIntosh on meeting attendance and flying hours of our members, to be used in connection with the contest being conducted by the Southwestern Section. Hope Helen has a good memory.

Our career girl, Florence Murphy, Vice-President of Bonanza Air Lines, recently returned from Washington, D.C., where she testified before the Wage Stabilization Board on behalf of her company - with success, she reports.

Esther Stone and 49 1/2er Gayle delivered a Culver to Los Angeles a few days ago, Gayle flying the Culver and Esther flying a Stinson down to bring Gayle home.

#### LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

By: Monie Dye

"Cherchez la femme" - and we found her, in the lovely person of Mme. Jacqueline Auriol. The occasion - a cocktail party given by the Los Angeles Chapter of Ninety-Nines at the Ambassador Hotel on the 15th - where we turned out en masse to greet this distinguished visitor and propose she be made a member-at-large by the International Executive Board.

Mme. Auriol, daughter-in-law of the President of France, is possibly the only licensed woman jet pilot in the world. Last May she flew a jet at the speed of 510 miles per hour, thus breaking the women's speed record previously set by Jacqueline Cochran.

The following Monday our chapter met at the Los Angeles met at the Los Angeles International Airport for dinner and our February meeting. Jacqueline Wonsetler, Los Angeles Chapter member who is employed as a weather forecaster at the airport, gave an extremely interesting talk on weather problems in flying.

Those present at the meeting were Chairman Mary Kitson, Frances Bera and 49 1/2er Gordon, Yvette Hyatt Kovary and her 49 1/2er John, Mary Ilgen, Joana Leschin, Lee Morrow, Valdamay Warne, Joyce Barbee, and Secretary Monie Dye with her 24 3/4er Georganne.

#### LONG BEACH CHAPTER

By: Aileen Pickering and Claire McMillen Walters

One of the biggest undertakings our chapter could take on is that of sponsoring the take-off of the 1952 TAR this 4th of July, from Santa Ana. We'll probably need our heads examined before we're through with this venture, but believe us, the job will be done right!

Since our Chapter won the bid for the start of the AWTAR, we had lots of business to discuss. It was decided to hold a rummage sale on March 6th in Long Beach as a fund-raising project. We also voted to be the publishers of the 1952 TAR Program. Aileen is to appoint an editor and the entire chapter is to participate in gathering material and in selling advertising space. Plans are for a big play-up of the entries and their sponsors and for a thorough picture of the race--its past, present and possible future. It is hoped that the programs will make wonderful souvenirs for all the gal racers.

Marjorie Blake and Shirley Blocki became members at this meeting. Both are flight instructors for James L. Most Aviation at Bellflower Airport. Marge has her Commercial License, Instructor and instrument ratings, single-engine land and sea ratings, link operator and radio navigation ratings. Shirley holds Commercial, flight instructor, instrument, single and multi-engine land ratings, plus ground instructor ratings in navigation, meteorology, radio navigation and link trainer operator. One of Claire's students, Ilif Gauthier, was a guest. She received her private license two days later. She is entering the 1952 race with Marge Blake. About half of our chapter is planning to enter the race.

Mae Sharp is hard at it teaching school and also has a Wing Scout Group; Donna Evans is working madly on her flight instructor's rating; Iris Critchell (another new member) is busy teaching ground school. Barbara London has been working with Betty Gillies, streamlining the air race rules, among other things.

Claire (McMillen) Walters is announcing to all who might be interested that she is retiring from racing! Claire walked off with all honors in the last race as you'll remember. -- Oh yes, not to be out-done by her sister Betty, Claire will be flying in a different race in June --with the stork. So, as the family grows--so grows the plane. Fern Stiefler is expecting her third child in March, consequently she and hubby Fred have traded their Cessna 140 in for a 170 to accommodate the growing family. She's also planning on racing in the 1952 TAR!! ...Aileen Pickering, who is attending the University at Long Beach, recently was notified that she passed her navigation exam for her commercial rating.

During the holidays several members of our chapter were visited by our International Veep, Amalie Stone, who was visiting our fair Southland on a combination business and pleasure trip.



Diana Bixby, Vice-chairman, has been keeping herself occupied with her airlines business (Bixby Airlines). Recent flights have carried her to New York with passengers; St. Nicolas Islands (north of St. Barbara Islands, Calif.) with construction workers for navy operations, going on there; and to Las Plantas, Lower California, with vegetables. Sounds like fun for a job, doesn't it?

#### SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER By: Trixie-Ann G. Schubert

Jean Parker left water-soaked southern California for a two weeks flight to Colombia, South America. Flying a Bellanca, Jean expected the trip down to take about five days "with good luck with customs."

Barbara DeWees has started Girl Wing Scout Group 80 at Lockheed recreation building on model airplane projects. The fourteen plane enthusiasts bought their stick model kits from the group fund.

Donna Evans of the Long Beach Chapter, showed her 1951 TAR pictures at the January meeting of the San Fernando Chapter at Belle Young's Temple City home.

#### SAN DIEGO CHAPTER By: Betty Lambert

January activities included a fly-day picnic to Ramona Airport. Bomb drop and spot landing contests were held. An old J-3 Cub was used for the events. Contestants had not flown J-3s for periods ranging from 3 years to 10 years or not at all. Hence the spot landings for most of us were a matter of being happy to hit the runway at any point. However the important point--we got in the air and had fun.

Lowanda Gabriel has obtained her Commercial ticket. Claire Hale, Helen Dick and Marian Mishler have completed my Meteorology class and taken the CAA written. This is Claire's fourth and last written for Commercial, Helen's second, and Marian's first. Believe me, it is nice to have 99's for classes. Prospective 99 Mickey Young and her dentist husband are now in the middle of a Metro course--two more good students.

Jean Murray is off for Tokyo to join Bill who is flying for Trans-Ocean airlines. Donna Davis is back from Texas and is attending San Diego State College. Louise Kraiger is now Mrs. H. Q. Bolton - new husband is a Naval Reserve pilot. Dottie and Bob Sanders have bought a 1950 Cessna. Maxine and Gordon Smith have sold their plane and we understand they are having some difficulty agreeing on what the next one will be. Betty Gillies and Mary Ring are taking a radio class and working toward higher radio licenses. Shirley Lanois is in Columbus, Ohio, where her husband is flying B-29s refueling jets from Lockbourne Air Base. We are all glad to hear that Lorraine Johnson is back in San Diego. We have heard from Polly Potter Ross, who is back from Australia. Ann Piggott, a former New York-New Jersey member, has now left San Diego for Kansas City.

Several San Diego 99s are working in Civil Air Patrol. Jackie Trenfel is adjutant of Hqtr. Sqdn. 99. Isabelle McCrae is Assistant Medical Officer and a Wingman. Betty Gillies is Air Echelon Commander of the Mobile Support Unit. Mary Ring is Betty's observer and assistant. Lois Bartling and Dottie Sanders are Wingmen.

January meeting was a fine dinner party at Betty Gillies'. Ruth Gamber was the hostess for February meeting. We were all glad that Julie Hale, who is now living at Hermosa Beach, got down for the latter.

#### SAGUARA CHAPTER By: Bonnie Fugitt

Verda Mae Jennings and Betty Knier were in charge of the flight on January 20th at Tempe Airport. This was a "Brunch Flight," brunch being served in the Phantom Wing Inn at 10:00 A.M. by the two hostesses. Ethelind Woodhouse with her 49 1/2er flew up from Roll in their Cessna 140, Wilma Bland and 49 1/2er and Rita Gibson and her 49 1/2er arrived via the Blands' Stinson, but the rest of us came by that ancient mode of transportation - the automobile. We were especially happy that Melba Beard, who recently transferred to our Chapter, could attend with her 49 1/2er and two 24 3/4ers. Newest 24 3/4er addition in this Chapter is Christopher Lee Crowl, adopted son of Marjy and Cliff Crowl. We all had the pleasure of meeting this very young (almost one month now) future pilot at our brunch.

Our business meeting on January 2d was held at the home of Rita Gibson in Goodyear. Members attending

were Ethelind Woodhouse, Betty Knier, Verda Mae Jennings, Marjy Crowl, Wilma Bland and Bonnie Fugitt. Main topic of discussion: gaining new members.

The January 1st deadline sneaked up on us in a fast hurry so we will just include our Chapter news for December in this report. The Christmas family was our main project for the month, with both the business and social meetings being devoted to collecting clothing and gifts for the five children.

#### BAY CITIES CHAPTER By: Lindy Boyes

Float planes were the mode for January in this neck of the woods. But even they lost their practicality because of the limited visibility resulting from the lowered ceilings. So - flying was kept at a minimum among our crew.

February was a busy month for Bay Cities Chapter members. Off to Switzerland for a month of skiing and sightseeing was Betty Haas. Janet Buschman, who spent several months in Mexico last year, has returned to the land south of the border where a job awaited her. Now in Texas is Mildred Harris who will become a grandmother most anytime, if she isn't already. At least she won't be grounded from flying.

Camilla Jenkins of Pebble Beach, adjacent to Monterey and Carmel, was hostess to more than a dozen 99's, husbands and guests at a barbecue luncheon at her lovely home. Members who flew down included Margarite Husted, Geraldine Masinter, Dorothy Monahan, Patty Sherwood, Miriam Brugh, Pat Gladney, Ann Rodgers, Lorraine Wardman and Lindy Boyes.

The monthly chapter meeting was held the last day of the month at my home. Guest speaker for the occasion was Noble "Buck" Newsome, manager of the Contra Costa County Airport which is known more familiarly in these parts as Buchanan Field, the name it had when it belonged to the Army. Margarite Husted brought lovely camellia corsages for each member. The corsages were made by Margarite from flowers growing in her yard.

### N O R T H W E S T E R N   S E C T I O N

#### OREGON CHAPTER By: Joyce Hoberg

We had our last meeting in December at the Aviation Country Club on Portland Airport. We had a wonderful Chinese dinner with Tad Green and Virginia White acting as co-hostesses. We are happy to welcome Marcile Young into our group. She was in Denver until recently.

Our officers for the coming year are - Chairman (open); Vice-Chairman, Bettie Lou Bray; Secretary-Treasurer, Velma Richards, Newsletter Reporter, Bertha Girardot; Membership Co-Chairmen, Tad Green and Bertha Girardot. Joyce Hoberg is Governor of the Northwest Section.

The winter has held us back from having any meetings but that is behind us now, and we are set to go again.

### C A N A D I A N   S E C T I O N

#### By: Betty McCanse

At our January meeting which was held at Dean Smallwood's home, we elected our Chapter officers. For 1952, Lorna Bray will be Chairman; Dean Smallwood, Vice-Chairman; Dorothy Drew, Treasurer and Betty McCanse, Secretary.

Kay Harvey's efforts came to the fore last month when her Air Rangers staged a very successful fashion show. The theme was a trip to Bermuda via the Seignior Club. Neville Robinson and Dean Smallwood journeyed to Trenton to represent the 99s from Ottawa and returned with a most interesting report. Kay banded a local group of teen-agers together and, following the pattern set by the Wing Scouts, formed the first Air Rangers group in Canada. She reports that the girls are very enthusiastic over the ground school lectures given by RCAF personnel and she herself finds them very valuable.

It was with regret that Dorothy Davis' resignation was received. Dot was with us from the very beginning and it is hoped that improved health will permit her to become active again at some future date.

At our February meeting it was unanimously decided to donate Ten Dollars to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund.