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### President's Column

October 1, 1958

Such a nice surprise to find a group of Colorado Ninety-Nines waiting to take me to lunch when I landed in Denver, on my way West, to attend the Southwest and Northwest Section meetings. Our Vice-President, Deedo Heise, joined me here for this wonderful two weeks flying venture, and I recommend her highly as a co-pilot, especially for mountain flying, because of the many times she soothed my tenseness by saying, "Oh, I'm sure that you have enough altitude." Governor Doris Eacret greeted us when we landed at Elko. There was a very nice attendance for this Section meeting, every one had a most enjoyable time, in this very exciting town of the Old West. With a few days on our hands before going to the Northwest, we were delighted to accept the invitation of Doris and her 49½er to visit the Bing Crosby ranch. This was an unexpected and certainly a most interesting and enjoyable experience. I saw the ranch twice, once by jeep and once from my plane, with Doris as co-pilot and navigator. Bless her! She did her very best to indoctrinate me with mountain flying and at one time I became so interested in looking at all those cattle with a few deer sprinkled in, I almost forgot where I was. However I find that counting cattle from a plane in Nevada is certainly a different proposition, than in Oklahoma. From here, two days in Sacramento, as guests of our past president, Gerry Mickelsen, where we were entertained by other Sacramento Ninety-Nines in such a wonderful way. Gerry joined us in her plane with Ninety-Nine Betty Boyd, on our beautiful flight to the Pacific Northwest, and the Section meeting there. We enjoyed every minute of our stay in Seattle, it was a continual round of activities, with a tour through the huge Boeing plant tossed in for good measure. A very enthusiastic group of Ninety-Nines there are already at work on plans for our Annual

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### GREATEST HONOR



Georgiana McConnell, winner of 1957 Amelia Earhart Scholarship Award.

The greatest honor that I have ever received was being the recipient of the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship last year. I do hope that I will be able to live up to the confidence placed in me.

This is more or less a progress report to let you know what I have been doing in an effort to obtain the ratings that I want. The training for the multi-engine rating was begun in a Piper Apache June of this year and the rating was obtained July 5, 1958. The written on the instructor rating has been passed and the oral and flight test remain. I have been practicing the maneuvers required in a Cub J-5. Before fall this year I plan to have the other rating.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Ninety-Nines not only for the financial aid of the scholarship itself but for all the encouragement given me by so many of my Ninety-Nine friends.

Since the time is nearing when each of you will be wanting to consider the member to name as your Chapter's candidate for the 1959 Amelia Earhart Scholarship award, herewith are the rules and qualifications:

Each Chapter may submit ONE  
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### AUTUMN . . .

#### Ideal Time To Fly!

Take advantage of the lovely Fall flying weather, clear skies, cool temperatures and the breathtaking beauty of varied colored bouquets of trees and shrubs. Learn about the quiet, out of the way spots with a landing strip where you can enjoy a hike, climb and a picnic lunch in the warm autumn sun. Or perhaps you prefer a jaunt to a well known city with lots of entertainment; or to a historic site (Williamsburg, Va., for instance for those on the east Coast).

There are interesting places like the Caverns of Luray (Va.), Carlsbad Caverns (N. M.), etc. for the whole family to see.

Get your airport bunch together for a breakfast flight or sightseeing trip. Don't let this Fall go by without making at least one flying trip. It will be an event you will long remember.

Peggy Borek, Chairman  
Flying Activities  
Committee

### Pilots Briefing

Work starts immediately on the 1959 Roster after October 21. **So don't forget to renew your membership and persuade that new member to join so her name will be in the Roster, too.**

**Also, some of you** have not sent in your pictures for the Roster, especially lacking are the new **governors.**

**Articles for sale** have not been coming in very well, hope this situation improves.

The Idaho Chapter has compiled a very nice cookbook, called "The Northwest 99 Stove Pilot Cookbook," the profits going toward the National Convention in Seattle, 1959. Price, \$1.25. Send cash, check or money order to Doris E. Atkinson, Box 396, Boise Idaho.

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**HEADING** Please head each report as to Section, Chapter and name of reporter.

**CONTENTS** Type double spaced, full width of regular size typing paper, if report exceeds more than one page, number paragraphs in order of importance.

**PICTURES** Do not write on backs, but attach names and occasion to the bottom of the picture by means of Scotch Tape, for removal during printing. Plan for your best and most noteworthy pictures.

**BE SURE** your Chapter is represented in the News Letter with a report from you each month. Not only does the report tell of the activities of your Chapter, but keeps us in closer touch with our many friends scattered throughout the 99's. May I also take this opportunity to thank each and every reporter for the fine work you are doing and for the wonderful cooperation you have given me.

Your Editor

**AWTAR 1959**

The 1959 AWTAR will start in Lawrence, Mass., on July 4 and will terminate in Spokane, Wash., on July 8. The route is being set up now and we hope to be able to publish the complete route information in the next issue of the New Letter.

The Rules and Regulations for the 1959 AWTAR are being revised at this time and several changes which will govern the 1959 race will be published in the News Letter in advance of the publication of the Rules and Regulations so all prospective contestants will know the changes well in advance and be able to plan accordingly.

Board of Directors,  
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**President's Column**

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Convention next year, and such a beautiful country and wonderful place for us to convene. Home again, and up to Chicago for the North Central Section, another enjoyable meeting, with a large attendance of more wonderful Ninety-Nines.

September activities have been so very interesting and inspiring for me, with all the wonderful hospitality and friendship I have enjoyed. I came home with more determination to in some way, try to merit the honor of serving such a wonderful organization. I regret so very much, that conflicting dates made it impossible for me to attend the South Central Section meeting and Dallas Doll Derby Race. All reports indicate that it, too, was a very successful get-together. I am certain that Governor Martha Ann Reading and all the Dallas Ninety-Nines did their usual good job.

Remember, everyone, this is the last month in which to get those renewals in, and that membership goal of 1500! I feel certain that I can depend on all of you to get squarely behind this organization and put it over the goal this year.

Most sincerely,  
Broneta Davis Evans  
(Cessna 3497C)

**GREATEST HONOR**

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application to its Section Scholarship Committee. This application MUST be in the hands of the Section Scholarship Chairman by JANUARY 15, 1959. Each Section will have a quota of one application for each 100 members or major fraction thereof, and each Section shall be entitled to at least one application.

All applications must be accompanied by a one-page letter of recommendation signed by the Chapter Chairman and Secretary, detailing the

qualifications and aims of the applicant. This letter should be written on the back page of the application. Qualifications require only that the applicant be a member of The NINETY-NINES, INC., who has had at least 200 solo hours.

All of you who have been thinking about applying for the Scholarship, or who may have applied before unsuccessfully—you may have missed winning by only one point last time and the next time may see you at the top—discuss your qualifications with your Chapter with the thought of applying, and let's have an application from EVERY Chapter in the hands of the Section Scholarship Chairman before the deadline.

Application blanks will be sent to each Chapter Chairman as soon as a

**Please Note**

The 1959 Roster has been designated as the "Thirtieth Anniversary Edition" and one that will be a little extra special. In order to do this, your Editor is going to need the cooperation of every member, chapter and section. So here goes.

If you are one of the following: Past President, 1959 International Officer, member of the Executive Board, or Sectional Governor, send a suitable picture for the 1959 Roster on or before October 31st to your News Letter Editor. However, if there is one in our file that has appeared in last year's Roster or News Letter, these can be used, if notified to do so.

All 99-sponsored articles for sale, please send in: new listings, prices, names and addresses, etc., to me. Only those received on or before October 31st will be included.

Be sure each Section and Chapter returns the form sent out by Hqs. regarding the names of the 1959 officers of their group. This info is vital in making our new Roster complete. Deadline on form, Let's have a 100 per cent listing of all our officers in this edition.

IF ANY OF YOU have a picture of our Second and Third Presidents, Mabel Britton and Margaret Cooper Manser, or know of someone who has, could we PLEASE borrow it for the 1959 Roster. The Past Presidents of the 99's have done a wonderful job in responding with their pictures for which we thank them very much.

Your Editor



list of their names is available at Headquarters.

NOTE: Let's start thinking, too, about your Chapter's contribution this year to the Scholarship Fund and award. Such contributions ARE DEDUCTIBLE FROM YOUR INCOME TAX!

Marjorie E. Fauth,  
Chairman  
Amelia Earhart Memorial  
Scholarship Fund



### FIRST CANADIAN CHAPTER By Audrey Trotter

I haven't had a round-robin since before the AWTAR in which all the girls wished Dot and Sue luck in their attempt "to bring home the bacon," so I can't pass on very up to date news.

Dot told an interesting tale about a Navy Avenger that crashed a few miles from her home. After doing some wierd maneuvers the plane dived into the ground strewing debris over a three mile area. One man who flies, walked up to Dot at the scene of the prang and, blaming the plane as being the cause of the crash remarked, "Well, I guess I'll quit flying." Dot's reply to this was to ask him if he was going to quit driving too — he walked away again to think that over.

Pat has been busy writing exams and I hope that by now she has received the results she went out for.

For myself, I have not been very daring the summer months — I have not been very far away from my home base at Ottawa but the little flying I have done I have got a terrific thrill out of. At the beginning of October the Ottawa Flying Club are the hosts to surrounding clubs for cocktails, dinner and dance. This is the first attempt at such an event and we are hoping for fine weather for our visiting pilots and loads of fun all the way around.

September is voting time and yesterday I received in the mail suggestions for the election of officers for 1959. My choice will be in the mail today and hope everyone remembers that the decision has to be into Sue in order to get the final results into Headquarters by October 15. Sue suggested a meeting at Toronto sometime in October — I am hoping to be able to make it in one of the club's puddle-jumpers. It looks as though there is a full agenda lined up and right now I am laying my plans to invite my female contemporaries to come along and find out what it is all about. See you all there, I hope, if the weather is kind to us all.



By Pat Arnold

The last ballot has just been counted. It was a close one but herewith are the results of our Section election and our new officers for 1958-59:

Governor, Esther (Jerry) Gardiner, Waterford, Conn.; Vice Governor, Lois L. Wartman, Providence, R. I.; Secretary, June Douglas, Fall River, Mass.; Treasurer, Sara Hayden, Methuen, Mass.

Congratulations and best wishes to each of you. Our future is in good hands. We have the beginning of the AWTAR again this year and that means a lot of hard work. Let's all resolve now to get behind our new officers and really give them all the assistance and support they are going to need for the momentous task ahead!

Tragedy struck out-going Governor Barbara Keirnan and her family over Labor Day. While they were vacationing on Nantucket Island, their lovely home in Andover, Mass., burned completely to the ground with nothing salvaged except, of all things, the NE 99 records. These were spared because they were in a metal box which withstood the heat. Barbara and Fran are staying at the Andover Inn for the time being.

Anne and Ray Baddour (Belmont, Mass.) announce the arrival of their latest, Jean, who checked in weighing eight pounds on July 25. The Baddours vacationed at the Cape this summer where Anne took her mother for her first airplane ride. Charlotte and Leonard Kelley, Boston, also announce the arrival of a new addition, their second! Page Shamburger reports from Southern Pine, N. C., that while not flying all over the country side reporting for Cross Country News, she is working on her instrument rating.

Flying back from Virginia the other day was weathered in at Totowa-Wayne Airport (real nice airport) near Paterson, N. J., which is about \$10 taxi fee from NYC. Having only \$10 with me, was helped out of my dilemma by Mary and Ted Nicholas, 99'ers out of Indianapolis, Ind., who were there visiting Mary's folks. The Nicholas graciously drove me into town and put me on NYC bound us which was quicker and a darn sight cheaper than taxi. Mary Nicholas is a former WASP and presently Membership Chairman of the Indiana Chapter and I am sure most grateful for she and her husband's friendly help.



By "AJ" Starr

Our guest of honor at the September 10th meeting was Maie Casey who brought us greeting from the British Women Pilot's Association. The BWPA is a very active group with about 90 members.

The Nominating Committee presented its slate and next month we'll report who our new officers will be. Our dinner-dance, scheduled for October 31st, was discussed. It will be held at the 71st Regiment Armory in New York. Those who wish may come in costume.

Kay Brick and Nove Davenport happened to be at Atlantic Aviation at Teterboro last week when along came Arch Denny, their chief pilot, taxiing a brand new Travel Air. He offered the gals a chance to fly it and, needless to say, they scampered in pretty fast! More Teterboro notes: Julia Acampora is starting ground school at Safair and Jean Boyce is free lancing as an Instrument Instructor at the field.

"AJ" and Ted Starr are happy to announce the arrival of a future 99'er, Julia May, born September 4.

### CHAPTERS NOT REPORTING THIS MONTH

Western New York  
Hasn't Anything Happened?



### WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER By Virginia Thompson

An indoor barbecue can really be a lot of fun and it doesn't affect the appetite at all. This we learned at my home on Sept. 21st. We were only sorry that the inclement weather made it impossible for the Maryland and Delaware girls to attend. We missed them.

After lunch, our Chairman, Dorothy Mitchell, really got the ball rolling over a lot of business. An idea was advanced for the purchase of a club plane so that more of our members could take part in aviation activities and better prepare themselves for fulfillment of our new Civil Defense assignment where our flying skills will be utilized in case of an emergency. Our problem: many flyers, few planes. If you have a good "air chopper" for sale at a reasonable figure, please let us know.

Since we don't have enough "wings" we are trying to find some even if we have to take the airlines to our Sec-



tional meeting in Delaware on Oct. 25th. Adeliade Tinker and her committee: Kitty Steppler, Gloria Durham and Barbara Bonnett, are working feverishly to insure a wonderful time. Arrival is scheduled for 10 a.m. at Atlantic Aviation, New Castle, Del. After a visit to Hadley Museum on the Brandewine, a luncheon will be served at the DuPont Country Club to be followed by the business meeting.

Our next order of business was the election of officers for 1958-59: Chairman, Dorothy Mitchell; Vice Chairman, Nancy Tier; Secretary, Hazel Dwiggin; Treasurer, Lamona Cervenka, Membership Chairman, Jean Howard; and News Letter Reporter, Virginia Thompson. The unanimous decision to reelect Dorothy as our Chairman speaks well of her ability and our good fortune.

Our guest speaker and recently returned member, Barbara Lazarsky from Rangoon, Burma, was called out of town because of illness in the family. We are looking forward to welcoming her back at our next meeting and hearing all about "far away places."

The afternoon had its highlights though when Ada Mitchell related her experiences in the IAR. One member remarked, "If Ada ever just took off and landed in an air race, it would really be dull." Leave it to Ada to wind up with adventures galore.

Dorothy Mitchell didn't have "adventures," only a glorious time at the Convention in Montgomery. How we wished that we could have been there.

#### CHAPTERS NOT REPORTING THIS MONTH

Easten Pennsylvania Chapter  
West Virginia Chapter  
Hasn't Anything Happened?



#### GEORGIA CHAPTER

By Myrtle "Grey" Thompson, ATR

When big business suffers, the first pain is felt in the Aviation Department. I gave up Myrtle Airport at Selma, N. C., after spending six years building up the business and had just got an air agency certificate to train veterans and shorten required time of private students incorporating three hours of instrument dual in the private pilot course. I gave all this up to fly co-pilot and hostess for a chain poultry hatchery. It was "hog heaven" for three months and "bang" the DC-3 was sold.

In the meantime, the Georgia Chapter elected me their Chairman and

we went to work to promote aviation. Each of us had our own special project, too. Evelyn Greenblatt of Flightways, Inc., Atlanta, devotes Thursday nights to the Hospital Guild as a volunteer in the Grady Memorial Gift Shop. I gave a couple hours every other night to nursing male patients on 4-B at Grady. Dovey Robertson is doing an art course and ground school for her commercial. Her new job at Fulton County Air Service also includes flying time in the company Cubs.

Kitty Nix who runs Parkaire Field in northeast Atlanta with her hubby has a full time "project." Kitty has "adopted" a teenage girl and is teaching her to fly and be airport receptionist a real undertaking and high responsibility. Wilma Earl appreciates the chance and is taking good advantage of the swell opportunity afforded her thru Kitty's generosity.

I've swept out the hangar, cut the grass, got my sleeves rolled up and set out again at Myrtle Airport, Selma. You-all come! Dovey promises to fly over soon.

#### CHAPTERS NOT REPORTING THIS MONTH

Alabama  
Carolinas

Florida

North Florida

Tennessee

Hasn't Anything Happened?



#### ALL-OHIO CHAPTER

By Mary J. Fecser

Here are the highlights of the last two meetings, August-September:

AUGUST: Margaret Berning of Cincinnati was our gracious hostess for this meeting at her home. The girls flew into Lunken Municipal Airport early by 10:30 a.m. for the traditional Ohio Chapter coffee hour which always precedes the meeting. Guests were then transported to Meg's home for a delicious luncheon and a swim party. Your reporter had planned to attend this meeting, but it came on the same weekend of the day of take-off of the IAR, and it would have been an act of Superwoman to have been able to cover that amount of ground—from Welland to Cleveland, and then from Cleveland to Cincinnati; hence, your reporter has no facts other than that it was a great success. Many, many thanks to Meg and her 49½ers for turning over their premises to the Ohio gals for an afternoon of fun.

SEPTEMBER: Don Scott (Ohio State

University) Airport, Columbus, Ohio. Hostess, Martha Foley; speaker, Bevo Howard. About 50 members and guests had the good fortune to attend this unusual meeting. Coffee time came, as always, at 10:30, after which came the wind-up business for the year and the results of the election of officers for 1959. Chairman Edythe Maxim and Vice Chairman Marion Betzler were reelected and Janice Kuechenmeister will be the new secretary-treasurer. Past Secretary-Treasurer Helen Sammon chose not to run for reelection because of commitments to other organizations. Congratulations to all of our officers and our sincere thanks go to Helen for having done such an excellent piece of work in her past office.

Joan Hrubec contributed the largest number of Ohio Sales Tax Stamps, thereby winning the contest which our chapter conducted this year. She received the amount of the registration fee for the Sectional meeting in Chicago.

The girls were thrilled to have the unexpected pleasure of Bevo Howard's company and having him speak to them. His subject was "The Part That the Business Aviator Can Play in His Government."

Martha's original plans called for an outdoor barbecue at her modern contemporary home. Bad weather changed those plans. She prepared everything at home and brought the food to the airport, and the girls feasted right then and there. I was told that everyone had a perfectly wonderful time. Thank you, Martha, for a delightful day.

#### CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER

By Rose S. Andrew

August 2nd our group met in Mattoon with the members there as hostesses. Marjorie Kelly and Helen McBride helped Mary Hendrix serve a wonderful supper at the latter's lovely home to the following members and 49½ers: Leah Warren, Helen Grinke, Flo Musser and Bob, Sue Hassler, who flew over from Decatur, the hostesses and their husbands.

Recently Marilyn and Joe Jackson, who several years ago had purchased an old Waco and rejuvenated it from the ground up, got it into the air and on its way to California. At Ottumawa, Iowa, a magneto went out so they had to return to Champaign for a new one. They went back, installed it and the Waco flew on to Merced, Calif., with her crew, by way of Cheyenne, Wyo., Ogden, Utah, and Reno, Nev. It averaged 150 MPH at 9500 feet. It performed right up to specifications. Congratulations, Marilyn and Joe.

Our Central Illinois group met at the Paradise Motel Inn, Champaign, September 18th at 6 p.m. to hold a combined business and dinner meet-



ing. The following members and guests were present: Helen McBride, who presided in the absence of the Chairman, Marjorie Kelly, Leah Warren, Marilyn Jackson, Sue Hassler, Rose Andrew, Helen Greinke, Barbara Jenison, and Marcia Brody, who recently joined. There were also two guests, Evelyn Falley from Princeton and Kay Goldsmith, who is a senior at the University of Illinois.

We heard a report of the National Meeting from Helen Greinke and then listened to a tape recording of a talk by Dr. Bryan of the Institute of Aviation on outstanding women in aviation, one of whom he mentioned was our own 99'er, Dr. Dora Dougherty, now an aviation psychologist for Bell Helicopter at Fort Worth, Texas.

We will probably meet with Helen Greinke in Bloomington in October.

By the way, Helen's new two-volume publication on planning a cross country flight is now off the press. It is a beautiful informative work and the effort she has put in on it surely shows. You can see a copy of it by sending an order to Hangar Flying, Inc., at Bloomington, Ill.

Marjorie Kelly keeps adding up the hours in her log book and I heard her and Barbara Jenison laying plans for a trip with their hubbys to a football game at Duke this fall. We'll keep our fingers crossed for good weather, Marj.

Gloria Adams and her Air Force dentist hubby have moved to St. Louis, Mo., where he is doing refresher work at the dental school at Washington University.

### CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

By June Basile

What a busy and happy time this is for the Chicago Chapter. We're having company September 26, 27 and 28. All of the members are very busy getting ready for the North Central Fall Sectional to be held at Chicago's Bismark Hotel. Just show me any woman who isn't happy when she is planning a party.

Donna Giles hurried back from an eight week vacation in the East. She traveled 8,000 miles and covered 15 states by car.

Speaking of automobiles, Sylvia Roth has a new French sports car, a Simca. She tells us it holds two small people and one purse.

Helen Sailer's new Vauxhall is a four passenger job; however, it will not hold all her Evanston Wing Scouts even if she is their adviser.

Elsie Wahrer and Alice Kudrna have been busy. Elsie (we've just found out) earned her instrument rating last May and Alice was checked out in the 180.

Frances Akerlund and Dallas Sutton and their 49½ers recently flew to Can-

ada for a fishing trip. These two 99's are also entering the S.M.A.L.L. Race.

We're proud of our two new members, Cleo Oovertton and Catherine Buckley. Two good flyers and charming ladies.

The Tucson Chapter has gained a fine new member. Nina Price and her family left Chicago to make a permanent home in Arizona. We're all going to miss Nina, but we all have invitations to visit her in her new air-conditioned house that's surrounded by lots of trees and green grass. She promises all who visit her a "cook-out" on her new patio. Stop in and say hello. The Prices are wonderful hosts.

The homes of Lois Cassidy, Eva White and Nell Brown were busy places this month. The walls of their homes were buzzing with Fall Sectional plans.

We are looking forward to seeing all the members of the North Central Section at the Bismark.

### GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

By Betty Siggs

The 1958-59 Chapter year started with a dinner meeting held at the Plaza Royale Restaurant on September 4th. (We meet regularly on the first Thursday evening of the month.) Presiding were our new officers: Kay Peck, Chairman; Marjory Farrell, Vice Chairman; Betty Siggs, Secretary; Elaine Morris, Treasurer. Plans were laid for an interesting Chapter year.

Marie Kuhlman had us enthralled with her description of receiving instruction in a T-33 jet trainer, which had taken place that very afternoon in the skies over Kansas and Missouri. Marie is one of the lucky few (gals) to fly a jet and we are as thrilled as she, we are certain, and very proud of her achievement.

This has been a busy summer for our group—much activity in flying and other pursuits. Congratulations are in order to "Veep" Marjory Farrell for her elevation to present status on the KC Board of Education as "Consultant for the Education of the Academically Talented." Those summer sessions have paid off and we are very proud of Marjory's achievement in the field of education. Joan Cayot and Mary Ruth Dietrich joined the sailboat enthusiasts this summer. Kay Peck traveled to Hawaii aboard the "Matsonia" for a yummy vacation including attending an Air Age Education Workshop and a radio broadcast of "Hawaii Calls," than a thrilling flight back. Laurien Griffin now proudly dangles a fourth bootie on her "Gramma" bracelet. Marie and Orville Kuhlman attended the Ottumwa Air Show, flew on to Chicago and found themselves in the midst of an American Legion convention, finally

barricaded themselves in the penthouse of the Bismark. Flew on to Ft. Wayne on Labor Day where they found to their embarrassment that the Air Show had been held on the previous day! Marie is now off to Florida where she will help install a new WNAA Chapter at Coral Gables. Marie also plans to attend the NC Sectional meeting.

### GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER

By Maxine Loeffler

On the evening of September 6th Mickey Clark and her 49½ers home reigned with suspense and excitement as all future 99's waited to see who was to be the lucky winner of our \$100 Flying Scholarship to further their flying at the airport of their choice. Mrs. Christine Rush was the delighted junior birdwoman. Chris is almost ready for her check ride and was already putting her prize to good use the following day. Congratulations, Chris!

New member Mrs. Mary Lou (Teddy) Inman attended our meeting. Happy to have you aboard, Teddy!

More lucky vacation people: June Evers—Canada, fishing; Sylvia Bloom—Minnesota, fishing; Ginny Duenke—Europe.

Arrowhead Airport was the scene of our election of next year's officers. Sylvia Bloom is our new Chairman; Ginny Duenke, Vice Chairman; Ruth Lake, Secretary; and Dolores Whelan, Treasurer. Micky Clark is our retiring Chairman and we all want to thank her for her untiring efforts and a job well done.

We have decided to sponsor a Wing Scout Troop. Each of the 99's will have to take our turn at speaking to them on something in aviation. Our new Chairman, Sylvia, and yours truly will be first on the list.

### INDIANA CHAPTER

By Ethel Knuth

We are very happy to announce that Delia Sanders will guide us through the next year as Chapter Chairman. Our election was held at the home of Virginia Maggart, who with 49½er Newell, entertained the Indiana Chapter 99's, the Indianapolis Aero Club, and the Flying Farmers of Indiana, Illinois and Ohio in August at Lapel, Ind. (A real model farm with an air strip—a dream to all of us.) A pitch-in dinner with mountains of delicious food was a tremendous success. The weather was unsettled (hot and cold, wet and dry) but we still counted 43 planes—all types—one twin.

September 21st we had a lively and enthusiastic meeting in Nellie Alger's hangar at Sky Harbor Airport, Indianapolis. A low ceiling kept our members on the ground, but spirits soared as plans were made for future meet-



ings. To Virginia Maggart, who is recuperating at home following an operation, and Nellie Jackson, who is still battling that virus, we say "Get well, gals—quick like a bunny!"

An enduring love of flying keeps our Indiana members happily on the "go." Rae Cawdell (our latest island-hopper) has boosted her air travel mileage again; after an enjoyable Carribean vacation Rae makes this statement, "What with the British in Jamaica, the French in Haiti, and the Spanish in Puerto Rico, I am not yet sure what anybody said!" Mildred Hurt and daughter, Doris, shuttled back and forth from Kansas to the East recently to get Dors settled in Washington, D. C. Mildred and 49½er Col. Hurt, the Sanders, and the Knuths were in the Indianapolis Aero Club group of 24 planes (71 persons) who played "Follow the Leader" on September 14th to enjoy the hospitality of the United States Armor Center at Fort Knox, (\$\$\$\$) Ky. With permission landing were made at Godman Field. Following a visit to General Patton Armored Museum and a courtesy conducted bus tour of the base we enjoyed lunch with Company A, 30th Tank Bn. We had an opportunity to stand in awe of the building housing the nation's gold. (No samples were available.)

#### IOWA CHAPTER

By Helene Holton

We had a big turnout for our August-September meeting which we held on September 7 at Newton. Alice Pfantz had really worked to get prospective members to attend.

There was a flight breakfast and also dedication of the Newton Airport. Tina and Paul Healy of Newton had made arrangements for transporting fly-ins to Hotel Maytag where we held our business meeting—and enjoyed a dinner at noon. Counting 49½ers, children, guests and members, we numbered 27. Helen Flaherty of Fort Dodge represented the Upper Iowa Chapter. Happy to have you, Helen. Our members present were: Evelyn Grandquist, Alice Pfantz, Irene Dalbey and 49½er Lloyd, and Maggie Adkins and guest, all of Des Moines; Esther Niederhauser of Marshalltown; Tina Healy and 49½er Paul, and Helene Holton and 49½er Don and son, Danny, of Chariton.

With all of the new prospects our Iowa membership should really swell.

Our main business was electing a new staff of officers for the coming year. The members voted Alice Pfantz into the office of Chairman to succeed Maggie Adkins; Kitty Hach, Vice Chairman; and Joan Fortier, Secretary-Treasurer. Our thanks went to the out-going officers for a job well done.

#### MINNESOTA CHAPTER By Virginia Caspersen

Our September 7th meeting was held at Wold Chamberlain Airport where we held our annual Penny a Pound Air-lift. It was our Twin Cities large Air Fair, sponsored by the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce. Our Penny a Pound was a very small affair this year because of our lack of aircraft and this was certainly too bad because of commercial pilots.

Members participating in this event were: Pat Sullivan, Virginia Caspersen, Avis Larson, Betty Johnson, our new Chairman Shirley Iverson, and Margaret Manuel. Special thanks go to our participating pilots and 49½er Norman Caspersen.

At this writing we have as yet had no definite notification of our next meeting. It is rumored, however, we will have our last "fly-in" of the summer on the second Sunday in October and have received an invitation from the Stanton Airport.

#### CHAPTERS NOT REPORTING THIS MONTH

Michigan  
Upper Iowa  
Wisconsin

Hasn't Anything Happened?



#### ABILENE CHAPTER

By June D. Renny

This Chapter held its last meeting on August 14th at the home of Ann Nell Hooks.

Officers for the coming year were elected. Chairman, Ann Nell Hooks; Vice Chairman, Patty N. Taliaferro; Secretary-Treasurer, Anna Lee Henson; Membership Chairman, Mary E. Cree; and News Letter Reporter, June D. Renny.

After a little hangar type talk, questions and congratulations to Marion (Tolly) Petty for obtaining her commercial license. The meeting miraculously, and to the complete surprise of Jo Ann Elliott Hamil, became a wedding shower in her honor. After the lovely gifts were opened and admired, we enjoyed a dip in the Hook swimming pool, followed by luncheon.

The following meeting was planned for September 16th, to go to Oklahoma City to visit the Ninety-Nines, Inc. Headquarters and the CAA Training Center. Tuesday arrived—so did the weather. Feeling sure this condition could not last very long we decided to make the trip on the following Friday. The precipitation persisted. We'll

see you in Oklahoma City—soon as we can.

#### COLORADO CHAPTER

By Peggy Ong

Our wings are really flapping this month for Alice Fuchs! Not only did she obtain her multi-engine rating—the first for our chapter—but she has an article in the October issue of Flying. The article, entitled "Pilot's Bible," tells about the Jeppesen Co. which is located at Stapleton Field in Denver and publishes numerous aids to the aviation world. The Fuchs family will be moving to the Colorado Springs area as soon as the Air Academy has housing facilities available. Alice, incidentally, told us at our Sept. meeting, that her 1/5th share in a well instrumented Cessna 170 is for sale in view of their changing addresses. Any takers?

We were very honored by the whirlwind visit to Denver by our International President, Broneta Davis Evans and V. P. Deedo Heise. Seven of the Denver gals were lucky enough to be able to get acquainted with them during luncheon. The officers were on their way to the Sectional in Elko.

Our newest member is Gene Nora Stumbaugh from Cascade, Colo. There was a very enlightening article about her and her flying background in a recent issue of Contact magazine. She's a very enthusiastic flier and we're most happy to have her in the fold.

The Chouns recently flew their Travel-Air to Chicago, Lake Louise, Niagara, and New York. The Teppers accompanied them as far as Chiago. Heard from the Trinders in Whitehorse, Yukon, on their way to our 49th state. Yours truly and my 49½er flew "Betsy" Bellanca to Columbus, Neb., to visit friends over the Labor Day weekend.

A very scrumptious steak dinner was enjoyed on Grace Longbrook's patio for our Sept. meeting. A new prospective member, Pat Moss, joined in the festivities. She's a freshman at Colo. State U. and has a brand new private.

We're anxiously awaiting the arrival of Mary Collett's newest little pilot—will she tell her other children that Mr. Stork or Mrs. Stork was the P.I.C. on that flight?

#### DALLAS, TEXAS CHAPTER

By Pat Jetton

Well, the Fall Sectional and the Dallas Doll Derby are over and the members of this unit feel as though they had been through a meat grinder. However we all had so much fun and enjoyed seeing all of you so much that we really meant it when we said "Ya'll come back."

Elsewhere you will find the final results of the Dallas Doll Derby—



Edna Gardner Whyte, winner of the International Air Race.

## *The International Air Race for Women*

**Welland Ontario to West End Grand Bahamas**

**16 AUGUST 1958**

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Place	Name	Plane	Engine	Handicap	Average Ground Speed	Score
1.	Edna Gardner Whyte	Cessna 120	90 HP	110	127.26 MPH	17.26
2.	Sandra Callaway Margo Callaway	Luscombe 8F	90 HP	108	119.00 MPH	11.00
3.	Helen Wiedwald Jean Hixson	Cessna 172	145 HP	118	127.68 MPH	9.68
4.	Marion Burke	Piper PA 18	135 HP	110	119.52 MPH	9.52
5.	Gini Richardson Delores Hall	Bellanca Cruisemaster	230 HP	166	173.88 MPH	7.88
6.	Pauline Glasson Louise Clarkson	Cessna 175	175 HP	135	142.44 MPH	7.48
7.	Virginia Schumacker Joan Hrubec	Piper Tri-Pacer	135 HP	117	123.66 MPH	6.66
8.	Grace Harris Barbara Kiernan	Bonanza G-35	225 HP	168	162.72 MPH	-4.28
9.	Margaret Hammon Jane Howell	Cessna 170	145 HP	121	114.48 MPH	-6.52
10.	Olive McCormick Audrey McCormick	Piper Tri-Pacer	160 HP	125	119.00 MPH	-6.00
11.	Dorothy Rungeling Susan Koch	Bonanza G-35	225 HP	168	158.82 MPH	-9.00
12.	Margaret Callaway Elsie McBride	Cessna 140	85 HP	108	119.00 MPH	-9.40
13.	Mary Gaffaney Edith Stout	Piper Tri-Pacer	150 HP	123	110.64 MPH	-12.64
14.	Marilyn Williams Jean Scheifley	Bonanza B-35	205 HP	168	150.90 MPH	-17.10
15.	Virginia Britt Barbara Erickson	Bonanza C-35	205 HP	168	144.00 MPH	-18.00
16.	Dottie Anderson	Piper Comanche	180 HP	160	137.22 MPH	-22.00
17.	Lela Cowardine Ann Detterick	Cessna 120	85 HP	109	82.00 MPH	-27.00

Weather: Thunderstorms and cross and head winds on most of the course.

Grace Harris, best time for Beech, \$50.00 donated by Field Aviation, Canada.

Marian Burke, best time for Piper, \$50.00 donated by White Aviation, Canada.

Schumacher, Harris and Hammon received luggage, courtesy of Margaret Carson, Canada.

In addition each girl received a Certificate and Membership in the Grand Bahama Flying Club. Also a little souvenir trophy and Comanche ear rings from our 99, Frances Harp, Red Aircraft of Fort Lauderdale. Virginia Britt, Thompson trophy, best sport.





Winners of the Dallas Doll Derby.  
Edna Gardner Whyte and niece,  
Syble Whyte.

## OFFICIAL RESULTS

### DALLAS

### DOLL DERBY



September 13

1958



Second place winners in the Dallas Doll Derby. Sally Broyles (right) and Arlene Walkup, both of Oklahoma City.

Place	Pilot & Co-Pilot	Aircraft & HP	K Factor	Hdep Speed	Hdep Fuel	Race Speed	Race Fuel	Score
1.	Edna Whyte Syble White	Cessna 120 90 HP	.545	111	5.6	111.5	5.2	1.018
2.	Sally Broyles Arlene Walkup	Cessna 172 145 HP	.706	118	7.8	121.2	9.4	.989
3.	Marian Burke Cornelia Davis	Piper PA 18 135 HP	.794	111	7.8	104.8	6.8	.987
4.	Frances Pyland Sylvia Pyland	Piper PA 22 160 HP	.753	123	9.0	114.2	8.2	.976
5.	Delphine Bohn	Beech J-35 250 HP	.738	174	11.6	155.9	10.1	.968
6.	Jerry Sloan Rilla Willis	Cessna 172 145 HP	.706	118	7.8	102.6	6.6	.961
7.	Rhea Hurrle Merle Boitnott	Cessna 172 145 HP	.706	118	7.8	104.0	7.0	.958
8.	Marge Barr Terry Moore	Cessna 120 85 HP	.545	108	4.8	101.0	5.1	.954
9.	Joan Huckeba Margaret Beal	Ercoupe 75 HP	.448	100	4.9	88.3	4.7	.953
10.	Doris Weller Jan Martin	Piper PA 22 135 HP	.753	119	7.8	103.2	7.0	.948
11.	Ruth Deerman Paula Womack	Cessna 140 85 HP	.545	108	4.8	100.2	5.2	.946
12.	Martha Ann Reading Jo Allison	Piper PA 22 135 HP	.753	119	7.8	104.6	7.7	.941
13.	Tony Page	Cessna 140 85 HP	.545	110	4.8	99.7	5.2	.936
14.	Barbara Henington Doris Thomason	Piper PA 18 150 HP	.753	113	9.0	86.5	9.3	.879



however it will be no surprise to find that Edna G. Whyte did it again.

Everyone here worked on the Sectional and/or Derby; we even had one of our brand new members, Virginia Holmes, registering. Rowena Burns, barely unpacked from her trip north, assisted.

Well, that over with, our members are going on to other things, at work. Martha Ann Reading is getting ready to go to Tucson for Civil Air Patrol communications meeting. Marge Barr has been trying for six weeks to make a trip, hasn't made it yet. Mildred Bishop completed 10 years service with her company and her boss gave her a gold charm bracelet studded with rubies and pearls.

We missed Olean Sellers at the recent meetings and hope that all of the rains haven't washed her away. Talked to Bill Todd, husband of Marceline Todd (who has moved to Houston), and he reports that she is settled now and only wishes that Houston had an active 99 unit. We enjoyed talking to Bill, however it brought home to us how much our chapter has lost in Marceline's moving.

Hope by the time this is out that Mary Jane and Dick McKillip are the parents of a big bouncing child, let your friends down this way know, you Wichitans.

Guess this is all, except to say that we missed those of you who couldn't come for the Sectional. See you next time.

#### MISSOURI CALLEY CHAPTER

By Bettie King

The Missouri Valley Chapter of 99's met Sunday, Sept. 7, at the home of Jan Munkres in Weeping Water. The beautiful day was perfect for flying and all members having planes took advantage of the weather and flew into Weeping Water Airport.

Jan served a delicious chop suey dinner topped off with ice cream, strawberries and cake. After eating until we could hardly move, the business meeting was held and officers elected for the coming 99's year. Helen Nestle, Chapter Chairman, passed out the ballots. The eight members present voted in the following officers: Chairman, Barbara Anspaugh, Lincoln; Vice Chairman, Bettie King, Essex, Iowa; Secretary - Treasurer, Sandra Schepers, Fairmont; Membership Chairman, Jane Bay, Omaha; and News Letter Reporter, Bettie King. The calendar of meetings will be made out at the October meeting to be held in Beatrice with Helen Moore as hostess.

Our Chapter has 11 members, 10 of whom have been members for some time and one new member Sandra Schepers. Sandra will be attending Creighton University in Omaha this year so will be active with the chapter

Those who enjoyed the meeting at Jan and Neil Munkres' home were their guests Mr. and Mrs. Walter Roberts of Weeping Water, Jane and Curly Bay, Helen Nestle and daughter, Susie, all of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Schepers, Sandra and Karen of Fairmont, Pauline Hawks and guest, Miki Ayable of Bruning, Helen Moore of Beatrice, Barbara Anspaugh of Lincoln, and Bettie King and sons, Davey and Donnie.

It was found out that Belle Hetzel is on a three months trip around the world, having left the U. S. August 31. We are looking for some more interesting experiences when Belle gets home. Barbara told us mor about the air race, which we all enjoyed hearing.

#### OKLAHOMA CHAPTER

By Dorothy Morgan

From what I hear the September meeting of the Oklahoma Chapter of 99's held at Stillwater was one of the most successful and interesting meeting held this year. It was a panel discussion "Aviation of the Future," with Sally Broyles acting as moderator and Messrs. Hoyt Walkup, Tiner Lapsley and Russell Babb as the panel. Questions on various fields of aviation were asked by the girls and answered by the panel—each of whom is a specialist in his field. Brunch was served at the student union, then the panel discussion, after that a short business meeting which concluded the pleasant day. Two new members were present and to them goes a special welcome—Cheryl Johnson and Mary Lester. Regular members present were Ida Carter, June Crosby, Broneta Evans, Rita Eaves, Ruth Jones, Veda Mauk, Beth Smith, Emily Frost, Dorothy Young, Arlene Walkup, Sally Broyles and Betty Black. From the Tulsa Chapter Dorothy Rice, Peggy Snyder and Lois Martin attended. Other guests and 49½ers were Mrs. Lasley, Dolores Scott, Freda Guild, C. B. Smith, Bill Crosby, Dr. E. F. Lester, Al Guild, Charlie Broyles. I hope all these names are correct and that I omitted no one!

Notes from the Jet Stream (prop wash to some of us): A deep salaam to Arlene and Sally for taking second in the Doll Derby, flying a Cessna 172—and their very first race! Beth Smith has a new name "Lucky"—she won two hours instrument time at the Sectional meeting at Dallas, Beth and Smitty are flying the Texas Air Tour this year and no telling what loot Beth will accumulate. Our sympathy to Marie Ketchum understand she has spent some time in the hospital with a slipped disk, possibly caused from pushing her plane out of the hangar. Fly it out of the hangar next time, Marie. The Stillwater girls take their flying seriously, at least they did this

summer—Jean Williams flew to Florida, Sally Broyles to California, and Arlene Walkup to New York. Rita and Leonard Eaves attended a fly-in at Durant honoring the CAP, and Rita was named "Miss Eaker Field" by a vote of the pilots present.

#### SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER

By Cornelia Davis

September meeting was a special one called to elect officers since our earlier one was rained out. We met Sept. 28th at the Dobbs House, International Airport, San Antonio, races past and future were discussed and note was taken that Marian Burke and Co-Pilot Cornelia Davis placed 3rd in the Dallas Doll Derby. Plans were laid for the publicity angles for women pilots in this section.

S. A. Chapter is proud that one of our members is now a great-grandmother. Johnnie Robertson of Del Rio flew in for the meeting with this news. Wonder if any other Chapter has a 99 great-grandmother?

Officers for the coming year are: Chairman, Marian Burke; Vice Chairman, Gertrude Smith; Secretary-Treasurer, Betsy Hogan; Membership Chairman, Johnnie Robertson; News Letter Reporter, Cornelia Davis.

#### CHAPTERS NOT REPORTING THIS MONTH

Albuquerque  
Corpus Christi-Houston  
Fort Worth  
Kansas  
Tulsa

Hasn't Anything Happened?



#### EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

By Mary Drinkwater

Just received a report from Minnie Boyd on the Northwest Sectional meeting held at Lake Wilderness near Seattle, Sept. 13th and 14th with the Western Washington Chapter as hosts. One of the highlights of the Sectional was the presence of our International President, Broneta Davis Evans; Vice President Eugenia Heise; Gerry Mickelsen, Past President, and Betty Boyd of the Sacramento Chapter.

Due to poor weather our Chapter was poorly represented. Those attending were Minnie, Lygie Hagan and Gini Richardson. All of us who were unable to attend are sorry as we certainly missed a very instructive and entertaining Sectional.

Congratulations to Minnie Boyd, newly elected Governor of the North





Here's a picture of some of the 99's who attended the NW Sectional meeting at Lake Wilderness, Wash. Reading from left to right are: Maxine Fancher, Renton; Vanecia Adderson, Seattle; Deedo Heise, Milwaukee, Wisc.; Jimmie Kuhn, Missoula, Mont.; Pud Lovelace, Bozeman, Mont.; Lucille Taylor, Boise, Idaho; Terry Kellogg, Seattle; Edna Hettinger, Boise, Idaho; Laura Connor, Meridian, Idaho; Marg Long, Seattle; Gerry Mickelsen, Sacramento; Betty Boyd, Sacramento; Gayle Evans, McCall, Idaho; Minnie Boyd, Pullman, Wisc.; Donna Ezzell, Renton; Betty Brown, Boise, Idaho; Ester Stone, Pocatello, Idaho; Onita Hoff, Idaho Falls, Idaho; Broneta Evans, Minco, Okla.; Ruby Mathis, Seattle; Mildred Mandeville, Seattle.

west Section. Congratulations, also, to Gini Richardson and Dolores Hall on placing third in the International Air Race flown from Welland, Ont., to the Bahama Islands.

This weekend, I had a nice visit with Betty Seavey of Walla Walla. She and her 49½er flew in to attend the Northwest Ski Association convention in Yakima.

Our next Chapter meeting will be at Minnie Boyd's in Pullman, Oct. 5th.

#### **IDAHO CHAPTER** **By Mildred Shinn**

Voting time in the Northwest has unanimously put Minnie Boyd of Pullman in the Governor's busy seat for the coming 1959 AWTAR and Convention in Spokane. Vice Governor, Laura Conner; Secretary, Mildred Shinn; Treasurer, Winifred Lovelace. Conner advertised Hertz by renting a 172 to fly Gayle Evan, Shinn and Hettinger to Renton Sectional for a really fine meeting. Thanks, West Washington, for the RON Sunday, due to Washington's thick weather. Believe all were tickled to find three International officers had flown up. Broneta Evans and Deedo Heise in Cessna and Gerry Mickelsen and Betty Boyd in Bellanca. Locally, the Idaho Chapter installed: Chairman, Edna Hettinger; Vice Chairman, Margaret Gigray; Treasurer, Eula Logsdon; Secretary, Helen Higby, at a dinner meet at the Boise Airport—attention being divided between new officers and the West Coast F-27 members toured the

"Friendship" with Capt. Tuttle, who is in charge of flight training—15 hours for check-out.

Recent flying: Edna Hettinger and family to St. Louis and McCall in their new 182. Eula Logsdon plans to check out their 120. Lucille Taylor has her Luscombe flying—made it to Renton and return with no trouble. A mercy flight was made by Millie Shinn in Travelaire, when Bill Woods called for 99 help on a first-aider co-pilot trip, to bring out a man who had a stroke—but lost him the next day; otherwise keeping time up in 85 Cub. Helen Higby has been out on recent search and rescue in 170 and also flies up Hell Canyon way frequently. Conner made a thorough demonstration check-out in a new Mooney Mark 20A; has added three men and a lady to her students over in Adrian, Oregon, as well as five more students added to the guard group, flying an Aeronca—one of her local students walked off with a prize at recent Twin Falls Air Breakfast—says they never give her the prize. Lorraine Johnson, local 99er took prize as newest license. Taylors were present in Luscombe. Doris Atkinson says all her time on "99 Stove Pilot" cook book—proceeds to be used for 1959 convention. Coming Sunday should take local pilots across the state to Onita Hoff's ranch for a potluck fly-in—to date, Conners, Shinn, Taylors plan to attend and we hope many more 99's. Good luck one and all.

#### **MONTANA CHAPTER**

**By Dorothy Sabo**

August brought the final meeting of the summer for Montana 99's to the beautiful new administration building at the Billings Airport. After lunch in the attractive, air-conditioned dining room where we watched the planes arriving, a business meeting was held. Following that, we toured the building with Marge Rolle, our Safety Agent's secretary, as our guide. 49½er Ken Rolle is the Billings Field Manager. A beautiful day and a new experience for your correspondent in a delightful ride to the meeting with Sue Ward in her 180.

The big event in September saw Pud Lovelace and Jimmy Juhn heading for Renton, Wash., and the Northwest Sectional meeting at Wilderness Lodge. They were accompanied by 49½er Jack Lovelace and had a wonderful trip out in the Lovelace's brand new Cessna 175. The meeting was most successful and the girls enjoyed particularly seeing and visiting with the National Officers, Broneta Davis Evans and Deedo Heise. Low ceilings and poor visibility delayed their return trip one day.

Vivienne Schrank appeared on the Billings TV being interviewed by Terry Deever on the program "Spotlight." Vivienne gave the history of the 99's, the AWTAR and her part in the Montana Chapter's program in the field of aviation during her 13 years of flying.

We hope our fall weather will be conducive to flying and that our members will be able to attend more meetings.

#### **WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER** **By Ruby Mathis**

The proudest moment for this Section was when our International officers, Broneta Evans and Deedo Heise, landed at Renton to attend our Fall Sectional September 12, 13 and 14. It seems they had been to the Elko, Nev., Sectional and talked Gerry Mickelsen and Betty Boyd from Sacramento into coming up for the convention at Lake Wilderness Lodge. We were very pleased to have them as guests and hope they can come back more often. We had a wonderful turnout of Sectional members from Idaho, Eastern Idaho, Montana, Eastern Washington, Western Washington and one from Alaska, Carole Gillespie. Vanecia Adderson did a very fine job of organizing the convention. Tom Tretheway was guest speaker on the subject of "Survival." He gave pointers on forced landings and survival tips.

On Sunday everyone was weathered in so it gave us a wonderful opportunity to get better acquainted with other members of our Section. While the rest were waiting on weather, Broneta Davis, Deedo Heise, Gerry



Mickelson, Betty Boyd and I took the one-day boat trip through the San Juan Islands to Victoria, B. C. Good thing the stores were closed for the day!

Virginia Andrews' 49½er, Nick, is recuperating from a recent operation. He is a very active 49½er and we are wishing him a speedy recovery.

We welcome Donna Ezzell and her 49½er, Robert, to our Chapter as a new member. Donna is now studying for her commercial. Another new member to our Chapter is Louise Smith and her 49½er, Robert, formerly from Olympia. We certainly want to welcome them to our Chapter. We hope we can add new names each month to our roster and continue to build up our Chapter.

We found out at the Sectional that Marion Owen may be transferred by the telephone company to New York for two years. We will miss her but it will be an excellent opportunity for her to meet other 99's.

Our Chapter has decided to start changing the meeting place every month, instead of holding them all at Galvin's. We have been invited to Everett October 20, as guests of Mildred Pearson. We are hoping to make it a night flight to Paine Field and she will furnish transportation from the airport. In case of bad weather, we are to drive.

#### CHAPTERS NOT REPORTING THIS MONTH

Alaska  
Eastern Idaho

Hasn't Anything Happened?



#### BAY CITIES CHAPTER

By Margaret Gerhardt

Our September meeting was held at the home of Ruth Rueckert on the 19th. New officers for the year are: Chairman, Gail Lane; Vice Chairman, Mabel Zehr; Secretary, Doris Phillips; Treasurer, Marilyn Anderson; Membership, Mary Fields; News Letter, Margaret Gerhardt. Others present were Annette Anderson, Miriam Brugh, Maxine Carlson, Geri Hill, Helen Kelton, Ruth Rueckert, and Eleanor Wilson. We enjoyed having Annette with us. She is a member-at-large from Sydney, Australia, and it was interesting to hear about weather, flying and other conditions in Australia. Ruth, Geri, Miriam, Helen and Margaret reported a wonderful time in Elko at the Sectional. The Stockman's Motel is new and many used the swimming pool, and all enjoyed the

complimentary cocktail party at its edges.

Reports from the members: Marilyn and husband plan a two week trip to Mexico via Tri Pacer. The Fields are inspecting a 125 Swift at Long Beach with an eye to buy. The Wilsons took the Stits Flutterbug to Illinois via Texas, Oklahoma and Missouri. After visiting relatives, they had planned to go on to Milwaukee for the Experimental Aircraft Association fly-in. Weather interfered and the Flutterbug is still in Illinois and the Wilsons came back via TWA. Jean Kaye reports a fabulous time in Tahiti. Camilla Jenkins' son, George, was married in Hawaii Sept. 20th.

At the September meeting of the NAA Ruth Rueckert, Geri Hill and Ces Rose talked on the Air Race, and it was well received.

#### COACHELLA VALLEY CHAPTER

By Faye Douthitt

Once again I shall try to get the typewriter keys working. It has been sometime since our chapter has been heard from and I could give a list of excuses, but I will surprise everyone and remain quiet.

No one was more surprised than Zaddie Bunker and myself when we won the attendance trophy at the Fall Sectional at Elko, Nev., last weekend. Zaddie, myself and Jacqueline Cochran are the full force of our Chapter at the moment and since two of us were at the meeting I guess we were pretty well represented.

I am working on three girls at the present time, or I should say they are the ones who are working—for their privates. So maybe someday . . . !

Zaddie had with her in her Navion Fran Bera and Polly Stoehr and I had my 49½er and Bob and Bobbie Collins. Bobbie Collins has her private, but worse luck she lives in Covina and will belong to another chapter. Those who didn't make the meeting can't realize what a good time they missed. The weather was wonderful and the pool was very inviting and—to my sorrow—there were other diversion. Live and learn they say.

#### LONG BEACH CHAPTER

By Fran Bera

Our Fall Season was started with a meeting at Chairman Ruth Gay's apartment. Summer is over, and many members had interesting trips to tell about. Annette Castle and 49½er John and son, Johnny, flew their 172 to Alaska. The slides they took were colorful, and the trip was very enjoyable, but it seems the 172 was slow so they are shopping for something a bit faster. Mae Sharpe is back from five weeks in Europe, where she visited the Brussels Fair, and took a tour

of 12 different countries. She traveled by airline.

The test pilots of Douglas' El Segundo plant presented Claire Walters with a musical compact and a letter of appreciation for her dramatic part in saving the life of Test Pilot Leo Calapietro, when he bailed out of his F4D Skyray. Quick thinking Claire was instructing a student when she saw the jet in flames diving toward the ocean. She immediately called the tower and by circling over the water where the pilot bailed out, and remaining in radio contact to give directions, enabled rescue helicopters to locate the downed pilot almost immediately. Claire was credited with saving Calapietro's life, because of injuries he would not have lasted long in the ocean. She also received a letter of praise from Donald W. Douglas. We are all very proud of Claire.

Jackie Sepulveda flew her 140 to San Francisco, and Florence Anderberg flew to Utah in her 172. Cleo Morrison is busy building a few airplanes (moleds that is). She is building exact replicas of each plane she has flown in the AWTAR with numbers and colors the same.

Members from our chapter attending the Sectional in Elko were Barbara London and Fran Bera. Barbara and 49½er Jack flew up in an Air Force C-118, both are reserves and Barbara looked very chic in her Air Force uniform. Fran flew up with our wonderful great-grandmother, Zaddie Bunker in Zaddie's Navion. Zaddie won the spot landing contest prize, a free tank of gas, which took them to Jackson Hole, Wyo., after the convention. Polly Stair from San Fernando Chapter accompanied them on the trip.

#### LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

By Christie Warren

Chairman Ethel Pfbaum was out of town during July and August and no meetings were held. Prior to leaving, she planned a big and successful hangar party at Santa Monica Airport with the help of Claire Walters, who instructs there with Santa Monica Flyers. Refreshments were plentiful on the BYOL plan (bring your own) and music for dancing from a juke box supplied by Lee Morrow's 49½er. Bill, Ethel Kerley and Dru Benefiel added atmosphere in decor with all the old shirt tails they could gather, writing each person's name on one with a solo date and tacked them up all around the hangar. All members cooperated in setting up tables, chairs and arranging the food and drink attractively. We raffled off some items purchased at wholesale, along with a few items donated. A big turn-out of members, 49½ers, friends and prospective who had a good time, and our treasury was fattened up a bit.

Elsie and Norman Smith (49½er)



who never miss a Sectional, flew to the Fall Sectional in their Bonanza, taking Marijane Brown and Christie Warren as passengers. The Utah Chapter is to be commended for their fine job in hosting the Sectional at Elko, Nev., where everyone had just the greatest time. Anyone who has never attended a Sectional is missing a lot, truly. They seem to get better each time, and it is great getting together with girls from other chapters, seeing those you know and meeting new members. Our gracious International President, Broneta Davis Evans, flew her own plane from Minco, Okla., to be with us again. It is a great pleasure—and an inspiration—to be in a group with her.

Marijane Brown has been elected our new Chairman; Elsie Smith, Secretary; Ethel Pflaum is Treasurer and will also be Membership Chairman. We are looking forward to a really big year ahead.

#### **REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER** **By Hazel Bertagna**

Thank you, Utah Chapter, thank you, Elko, and thank you Stockman's Motor-Motel for an enjoyable (though unprofitable) weekend at the Sectional meeting.

We had as many prospective members present as we had members and have found that the trip was most inspiring to our "Little Sisters" (as we hear another chapter has labeled their prospective members). Two of them took their solo cross-country the following Wednesday.

Pat Stouffer was co-pilot with Nellie Palmer in her Cessna 140, and June O'Donnell, Barbara Wilkerson, and Betty Locken navigated for Hazel Bertagna in Bridgeford Flying Service's Cessna 172. It was a wonderful trip and my three good navigators kept us on course all the way.

The second Sunday we had our regular meeting at the Santa Rosa Airport. We reelected the same officers as last year. Chairman, Shirley Bolcher; Vice Chairman, Anna Brenner; Secretary, Nellie Palmer; Treasurer, Pat Stouffer; Membership Chairman, Jerry Schick; New Letter Reporter, Hazel Bertagna.

The delegate gave her report on the Sectional meeting, and the Chapter voted on subscribing for the Air Age library to be placed in the high schools or junior colleges in Ukiah, Santa Rosa, Boonsville, Napa, and Vallejo.

Everyone was present including "Little Sister" Betty Locken, except Jerry Schick, who is on vacation. Thank you, Anna, for picking up the check.

We are all looking forward to the next Sectional meeting and hope all our "Little Sisters" will be "Big Sisters" by then.

#### **UTAH CHAPTER** **By Jane Andreason**

As hostesses for the Southwestern Fall Sectional, we feel that our meeting was a success! Including guests we had 90 at our banquet and award meeting. Special guests included Broneta Evans, Deedo Heise from International; Mr. Glen Woodmansee from Civil Aeronautics Fourth Region and his charming wife (Mr. Woodmansee was our featured speaker), and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Wider, CAA. The Chapter is pleased that our Doris Eacret was reelected to a second term as Section Governor and also that we won the Air Marking trophy for the second year.

September meeting was hostessed by "little sister" Martha Whiting and it was strictly social with the main topic being the Sectional. Election of new officers is now being completed and shall have the new list in the next News Letter.

#### **SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER** **By Jeanne Strahl**

Our September meeting was one of the most enjoyable and inspiring meetings we can remember. The Los Angeles Chapter joined us in the Q. B. Room of the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel to hear Col. Dean Hess, USAF, who was our guest speaker, give a talk on "Humanities in Aviation." Col. Hess is the author of "Battle Hymn," a clergyman, and fighter pilot of two wars with over 250 missions.

Trixie Lee Schubert cannot rest on the laurels won in the AWTAR—she is out beating the drums for aviation again—this time Trixie has been lecturing to high school and college teachers who were attending the Fifth Aviation Education Workshop.

Joan Ferguson now settled in the Military Sales Department of Collins Radio. With her background and experience she should be a definite asset to the group.

Joan Wood is back in the harness now that school has started. Joan has an exciting and memorable summer to look back on, what with the AWTAR and her recent jaunt to Europe. We cannot help but wonder what fabulous plans she is making for next summer.

Donna Fisher is busy adding the hours to her new Ercoupe. Jean Parker Rose doesn't even take time out from luncheon between student instruction these days we hear—we have also heard that she is one of the best instructors in the business but this, of course, was no news to us. Renee Brown sold her T-Craft and is now looking for a Cessna 140. Lola Ricci and Virginia Hall chose a CAVU day to make a round-robin trip to Las Vegas last week in a Cessna 172. Your reporter met the Halls (Virginia, Les

and their beautiful daughter, Heather) Sunday morning at the Van Nuys Airport. They were taking a 172 to Big Bear and we were heading west in a 172 to Santa Barbara.

#### **SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CHAPTER** **By Katherine Wagner**

Polly Stoehr attended the Southwest Sectional at Elko, Nev., with Zaddie Bunker and Fran Bera. They flew up in Zaddie's Navion and also went on to Wyoming. Polly also went on a combined business and pleasure trip with 49½er Fred to Walden, Colo., in their Navion. And now at this writing, 49½er Fred reports that Polly is on an impromptu vacation at Palm Springs. They flew to Big Bear Lake in the San Bernardino Mts. over the weekend and found the San Gabriel Valley "socked in" when they returned, so they went to sunny Palm Springs where Fred returned to work by bus. Now, as soon as the weather front clears up, Polly will come home with the Navion. That gal sure has done her share of flying this month.

Dorothy Dancer, our Chapter Chairman, and 49½er Don spent an enjoyable weekend at Desert Airpark near Palm Springs.

Penny Swope, up to her elbows in rib-stitching, is tackling the recover job on her Piper Clipper herself.

Virginia Graham has been working hard on her multi-engine rating this summer and reports that she is about ready to take the test. Good luck, Virginia!

#### **SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER** **By Frances Dias**

Louciel Freeman, Laura May Crawford and Fran Dias attended the Southwest Sectional meeting at Elko, Nev. Flying there in Louciel's Stinson. We had a wonderful time, Sunday on the way back to California the weather over the Sierra closed in and we spent the night in Fallon.

Dorothy Koebel just returned from a flying trip with her 49½er. They made a trip to Philadelphia and visited Headquarters in Oklahoma City on the way home.

Billie Wyatt has been doing a lot of weekend flying. She and her 49½er flew to Fort Bragg for the Paul Bunyan Festival, and to Angels Camp to a breakfast flight and has made many flights to Lakeport to visit her family.

New officers for the coming year are: Laura May Crawford, Chairman; Dorothy Koebel, Vice Chairman; and Louciel Freeman, Secretary - Treasurer.

#### **SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHAPTER** **By Hialeah Reich**

Our Chapter had fine representation at the Fall Sectional in Elko, Nev. Present were Carol and Art Bloom with Cheryl and Roger, Gerry Mickelsen, Ruth and Al Wagner with Greg, Ruth and Rick Osier, Hialeah and



Harry Reilich with Eileen and Leah Liersch. Leah lives and works in Elko in CAA communications. It was fun meeting her for the first time.

It gives me great pleasure to report that our chapter was awarded two trophies at this meeting. The Air Education Trophy was won primarily through the efforts of Carol Bloom, Margaret Farkas and Thelma Syrek. Wish there were room here to give the whole report.

Ten new members acquired during the past year won the Membership Trophy.

Most of the Sacramento members had a chance to visit with Broneta Evans and Deedo Heise. They spent a few days with Gerry Mickelsen between the Southwest and Northwest Sectionals. Gerry and Betty Boyd flew up to the Northwest Sectional in Gerry's Bellanca. They report a marvelous time with a tailwind both ways.

Mary McFarland and family are now living in Reno. She says to check with the CAA upon landing (her husband works there) and you can locate her easily.

Doreen and Reinhard Brandley recently enjoyed flying their 172 to Lethbridge and Calgary to visit friends and relatives.

Clare Raley is really enjoying a birthday present from her husband, Tom. It's a brand new 160 hp Tri-Pacer. We also hear that Tom just may be learning to fly one of these days.

The Reilich's (on their way to Elko) had a wonderful ten days fishing and visiting through Oregon, Idaho, southern Alberta, Montana, etc.

Patty and Alan Johnson will be in Ft. Bragg for the next few months. Alan is resident engineer on a bridge there. Patty hopes to get checked out in their Bellanca as soon as they locate an instructor.

Jan Kapus is on overseas duty and will be settled in Prestwick, Scotland by the time this is printed.

New officers for '59-'59 are: Chairman, Hialeah Reilich; Vice Chairman, Betty Haynes; Secretary, Doreen Brandley; Treasurer, Ruth Wagner; Membership Chairman, Helen Mace; and finally—farewell, it has been fun—your next report will be from our new News Letter Reporter, Jo Edelman. Jo's husband was transferred recently from Albuquerque and we lost no time in putting her to work.

#### **TUCSON CHAPTER**

**By Mary A. Martin**

Tucson Chapter 99's kept 'em flying during August and September with 60 percent of the members making a total of seven trips.

Lorraine Chandler had perhaps the best of all reasons for her flight in August to Truth or Consequences,



Mary Martin, Lorraine Chandler and Gertrude Gelderman pose happily with the only edible award at the fall sectional in Elko. The prize was for the longest flight to the meeting.

N. M., with Gary Reid, age 6. Gary, a leukemia victim, was enabled to fulfill a dream of living on a ranch for his last days, and was flown back to Tucson only a few hours before the fatal disease finished its course.

Lorraine also made a trip through Utah August 21 and 22, making stops at Salt Lake, Cedar City, and Monticello.

Shirley Marshall and 49½'er, Art, flew to the Inter-Tribal Indian Ceremonials at Gallup, N. M., August 16. One of the highlights of the trip was meeting movie and TV star Vincent Price. Shirley and Art also took to the air September 19 when they brought their newly majored Pacer back from Phoenix.

Dorothy Jenkins, our chairman, flew to the OX-5 board meeting in Phoenix on August 30 in the Jenkins Tri-Pacer, and Donna and Leo Johnston also Pacered to Prescott on August 17.

The fall sectional at Elko was attended September 5 and 6 by Lorraine Chandler, Gertrude Gelderman and Me Too. Lorraine's 49½'er, Bill, went along to watch the fun. The group was awarded the prize for being the farthest from home; a basket of fruit and edibles which were consumed on the homeward journey in the Chandler's Navion.

See you-all in October; till then, Watch Tucson Go!

#### **SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER**

**By Jeanne McElhatton**

Our August "meeting" was held on the muddy shores of Anderson Dam. Forty-two arrived for the water ski party including thirteen children and five eager teen-agers. Almost everyone attempted water skiing with a great deal of success, but those teen-agers kept the boats on the go. Pat and Jack Gladney brought their boat and talked their neighbors into doing same. Floyd and Mickey Hughes brought their beautiful inboard and though late, Dave and Jeanne McElhatton finally arrived with boat. It's a good thing we had so many boats for we had our share of breakdowns.

Floyd has motor trouble at the start which he later found was due to Mickey's clothes drier. Sound weird? It is! Seems the lint from that little old drier got into the motor while Floyd was working on it in the garage and proceeded to clog it so there was no oil pressure. So there was one boat out of commission. As Dave was ferrying people back to the dock our boat sprung a leak and we had to bail furiously. Then on the last trip our steering cable broke. But in spite of such little problems a fine time was had by all.

More fun in the sun for Jackie and Lloyd Petty who spent a leisurely time swimming and fishing at Shaver Lake. As they were taking off on the return trip Jackie discovered that only one flap was operating. Fortunately she could manage without flaps, but it was rather a surprise.

Dorothy Monohan spent her time vacationing in Vancouver this year with daughter Pat. Came back so relaxed and rejuvenated that she had enough pep to pack up and move to a new apartment.

Pat Gladney appeared on my 49½'er's radio show last month to plug T. A. R. sponsor a bit more. She managed to get in her promote and win a couple of prizes, but she really got the treatment from all the little old ladies afterward. They just thought she was so brave to fly, and one commented that she looked so healthy for one who flew. We should wear halos maybe?

We should have a good turnout for our sectional in Elko.

Marion Barnick is taking the Twin Beech and hopes to fill all seats; Mayetta Behringer is planning to take her 170; Pat Gladney has a full crew for her 180 and even Jackie Petty is toying with the idea of going. At this rate we may get the whole chapter there!

**SAN DIEGO CHAPTER****By Aileen Saunders**

Our September meeting was held in the lovely home of Amy Chagon.

Election of officers was held and the new officers are: Marian Craver, Chairman; Aileen Saunders, vice-chairman; Frances Goodwin, secretary and Elsie Watson, treasurer.

Martha Mullen gave a report on the Southwest Sectional meeting in Elko, Nevada. It seems everyone had lots of fun — especially with the one arm bandits. Lucky members of the San Diego chapter who attended were: Betty Gillies, Marian Craver, Helen Dick, Clara Aldrich, Martha Mullen, Dotty Sanders and 49½ Bob. Dotty was elected treasurer of the Southwest Section.

The highlight of the evening was having our out-of-town member, Anne Bledsoe, present. Anne drove down from Granada Hills, Calif., and brought movies taken during a 2-month period last spring when she and 49½ Jim were stationed in Tel-Aviv, Israel, while Jim, Flying Tiger Line Capt. was on lease to El-Al

Israel Airlines. The movies covered their tour around Israel and thru out the Middle East. The pictures also covered a vacation trip thru Europe, Italy, Germany, Austria, Belgium (World Fair) and England. The pictures were wonderful and her talk most interesting.

Dotty Sanders showed slides of the recent AWTAR.

Bobby Westling who is going to Air Line training school at California Air College in Los Angeles drove down to attend our meeting. She reported she had to use radar driving thru the smog.

Lea Hanlon had to leave early as she and 49½ Bill were leaving early the next morning to fly to Montana for a three week vacation.

Terry Vasques and husband flew to Big Bear Sunday to attend the third annual fly-in breakfast.

Dotty Sanders and 49½, Dotty Davis and husband Roy, and Aileen Saunders flew to Lake Wolford to attend the Coast Guard Auxiliary picnic. Every one had fun with a bomb drop, each plane had three bombs (paper bag filled with lime) with which to

try to his the target.

Aileen Saunders and 49½er, Walt, flew to Pomona to attend the Pomona Fair and the races. Returning home found San Diego covered in fog so they had another day of rest in El Centro.

Betty Lambers returned from a wonderful vacation of 6 weeks with her 3 boys at Gorgian Bay, Ontario, Canada. Betty reports the 6 weeks was spent with swimming, fishing, boating and resting. They had no phone, roads, hot water, electricity, mail, to get to the place they had to go in by boat. Betty, where is this paradise?

The San Diego Chapter voted to donate all net proceeds from the annual rummage sale to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship fund.

Marian Cravers husband, Noble, has been in the hospital for a check up. Hope you will be feeling like yourself again soon, Noble.

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