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President's Column

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Everyone who participated in the S.M.A.L.L. Race saw Michigan in its full Autumn dress—a beautiful riot of color! All activities were so very well planned, there was wonderful cooperation from the contestants and all persons who assisted in any way. It was a successful and enjoyable event, with which to finish our Ninety-Nine racing activities for the season.

In attending the Michigan Chapter meeting after the finish of the race, I learned of their aim for this year. It was so inspirational that I feel sure all of you should know about it, so here it is: "To expand through the addition of valuable new members. To make tangible contribution to aviation and to the community around us. To be a genuine asset to the Ninety-Nines, Inc. To be worthy of recognition by qualifying our existence as an organized group." Haven't they put into words, so nicely, the actual aim of every Chapter?

The Amelia Earhart Scholarship application forms will be sent to your Chapter Chairman soon, and they must be in by January 15. This \$350 scholarship is worth competing for, so do get those applications in before the deadline date.

You will receive your new Roster early in December. It is our 30th anniversary edition, and you will note that it contains much information for quick reference. I would like to urge all who are not familiar with the Constitution and By-Laws, to take the time to read them. You will find the answers therein to the many questions that arise from time to time.

We are pleased to welcome the new Houston, Texas Chapter, and wish them much success.

There will be no December News Letter, so I want to take this opportunity to wish Ninety-Nines everywhere, a most WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON!

Sincerely,

Broneta Davis Evans

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29 YEARS YOUNG



MELBA BEARD, JIMMIE LOU SHELTON AND RUTH REINHOLD standing under the wing of Melba's Kinner Bird, which is a Bird biplane powered with a 160 hp Kinner R-55 engine, converted from the original OX-5 engine it was manufactured with. The plane is 29 years old and I flew it home from Fayetteville, N. C., this summer in 29 flying hours (five days flying plus a lay-over in Tulsa where Birdie won two lovely trophies in a static display of antique aircraft). The plane carries 45 gallons of gas and burns 8-10 an hour plus 2 quarts of oil and cruises at 80 mph, but lands at a slow 35 miles and takes off in 3 lengths. There is no radio and the only modernization features are hydraulic brakes, tail wheel and shock mounted instrument panel. It is beautifully restored and carries standard license N88K. Melba later flew the bird to the OX-5 Convention in California, which means this sturdy old plane successfully spanned the continent this summer.

Melba enjoys flying this open cockpit biplane more than any plane now made, but then she flies "just for the fun of it." One of her greatest difficulties was getting an appropriate yet attractive flying outfit. She uses western style "frontier" pants and shirt, and either a wool or cotton flying suit from a surplus store for actual flying, borrowed helmet and surplus store goggles. With 110 degrees on the ground, wool is needed at 8000 feet in an open cockpit, and she wears a chute at all times, shoulder type.

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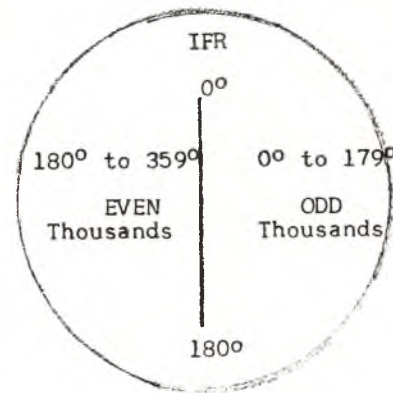
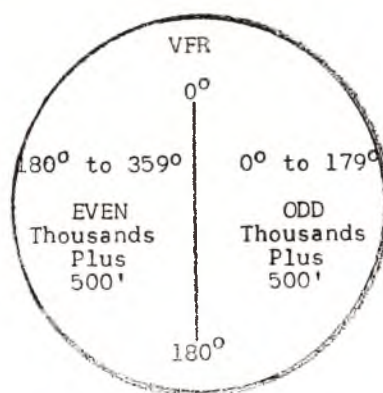
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A Sprained Neck Is Better Than A Broken One!

For those of you who do not receive AOPA Bulletins, don't read FLYING, or the various Government publications, or just need a memory jog—the new VFR and IFR cruising altitudes between 3000' and 29,000' are:



The above rules apply to all airspace, on or off airways, over The United States and its Territories.

A good rule is "A Sprained Neck is Better Than a Broken One." So keep looking — where you've been, are and will be. It's wonderful that so many more people are flying and traffic is getting heavy; but don't let the airways inherit the reputation of the freeways!

Flying Activities Chairman
Peggy Borek,

PUBLIC RELATIONS

Do you watch the Aviation Calendars in aviation periodicals for news of aviation meetings in your area?

If such a meeting is scheduled, write to the secretary or president of the organization extending your best wishes for a successful meeting and offering the cooperation of your local chapter. Often assistance in handling registration and transportation is gratefully received. Making arrangements for taking the wives on shopping or sight-seeing trips is also appreciated. And it is surprising how much fun your members can have meeting aviation personalities from other parts of the country. Frequently these meetings have outstanding aviation leaders in attendance or as guest speakers and the girls will enjoy meeting and hearing them.

And it is especially nice to know that the delegates to these meetings will go home with a pleasant memory of the hospitality extended to them by the Ninety-Nines.

And don't forget also to do the same thing for any state or national meeting of women's groups. It is an opportunity to acquaint the non-flying women with the high type of women who fly. Many people have greatly distorted ideas of women pilots.

In this connection, you might like to check into membership in the local Federated Women's Club, as an associate member if such is available. Since many women's organizations

plan their programs from the list of speakers made available by the Federation, it might be worthwhile to belong in order to be put on the list of speakers available, so that you will have an opportunity to speak before many of these groups. This is especially desirable when public support on bond issues for further development of aviation facilities is needed. And the general public is generally woefully uninformed on the needs of aviation.

Congratulations are always welcomed. Has a local CAA man received a promotion? Has any aviation personality received some special award or performed some outstanding service in your community? Send him a note or wire of congratulations.

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To All**News Letter Reporters**

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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

Pilots Briefing

There will be no news Letter in December, instead the 1959 Roster will be mailed. The next News Letter deadline will be December 25.

Send in dates and places for the Spring Sectionals as soon as possible for the Coming Events Section.

Read Elsie Ferich's delightful write-up on the S.M.A.L.L. Race under the Michigan Chapter report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS

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Have you sent a wire to General Quesada congratulating him on his appointment as head of the newly established FAA and extending your best wishes and cooperation? Are you well acquainted with the Chairman of the Aviation Committee of your local Chamber of Commerce? Director of Aeronautics at municipal and state level? Do they think of the 99's right away when they have a job to be done and need help? If they think of you then and know they can count on your cooperation when there is work, they will also think of you right away when there are special events and you are happy and honored to receive invitations to them, and also when appointments are made to committees on aviation.

Our international officers will only receive the recognition that has been earned by the local chapters so make any contacts you can so that our organization will receive recognition at the national level and will be invited to become a member organization of national aviation groups.

Loretta Slavick,
Chairman
Public Relations



FIRST CANADIAN CHAPTER
By Audrey Trotter

The meeting that I mentioned last month and which I had so looked forward to attending, has been fixed for the 25th of October. Unfortunately, I will be on my way out west for a short trip and therefore have to miss this grand opportunity of meeting with everyone again to hear all their news and especially the appointment of the new officers for 1959.

Not much news from Canada this month—the meeting will bring everyone up to date, so next month should provide some interesting reading, especially for the 99's unable to attend the meeting at Toronto. I managed a couple of trips out over the Gatineau Hills this month and the coloring of the trees are magnificent.

As this is my last News Letter for this year I would like to sign off by wishing the new officers for the First Canadian Chapter for 1959 and all Canadian members every success in their flying endeavors.

Application Blanks For Scholarship Award Are Now Available

Application blanks for the 1959 **Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship** award are now in the hands of all Chapter Chairmen. If you are desirous of applying for the award of \$350 now is the time to apply to your Chapter for consideration. Each Chapter may name ONE applicant as its choice to apply for the award from among its members. See your Chapter Chairman at your next meeting and submit your name as an applicant for the Scholarship.

Applications must be considered by your Chapter committee soon, so that they can arrive at a choice to represent them in the award contest.

Completed applications, with photo

or snapshot for reproduction, and with letter of recommendation on the back, giving the qualifications and aims of the applicant and signed by your Chapter Chairman and Secretary, must be in the hands of your Section Scholarship Chairman no later than JANUARY 15, 1959.

The end of the year will soon be here. Apply NOW to your Chapter Chairman or Scholarship committee. Let's have an application in from EVERY Chapter before the deadline.

Sincerely,

Marjorie E. Fauth, Chm.,
Amelia Earhart Memorial
Scholarship Fund



By Anne Baddour

For the New England Section the big thing for September was the 7th Annual Massachusetts Aviation Conference at which the N.E. 99's were the official hostesses. It was held at the Andover Country Club (Andover, Mass.) on Sept. 25. There were three panel discussions consisting of: (1) The Guided Missile; (2) How Can the Airport Help Business and Industry; and (3) Aviation Education. The guest speaker for the luncheon was Major General Kenneth P. Bergquist, who is stationed at the Air Force Cambridge Research Center, Bedford Airport (Bedford, Mass.) Coffee and doughnuts were served in the morning, courtesy of the Avis Auto Rental System, and prior to lunch cocktails were served, courtesy of the Hertz Auto Rental. Each person attending the conference was given a souvenir airline kit by Northeast Airlines. The Eighth Air Force, Westover Air Base, was to provide an actual demonstration of the refueling of a B-47 by a KC-97 but somewhere along the line it was snafued and we didn't get to have our private look but we're hoping that we'll see it at some future aviation conference.

After the conference was over and many departed with their golf clubs to enjoy the crisp autumn air on the golf course, our meeting got under way. Those present were Barbara way. At the meeting the results of the election were announced and these girls are to be the new officers: Governor, Jerry Gardiner of Waterford, Conn.; Vice-Governor, Lois Wartman

of Providence, R. I.; Secretary, June Douglas of Fall River, Mass.; Treasurer, Sara Hayden of Methuen, Mass.; and News Letter Reporter, Anne Baddour of Belmont, Mass.



By "AJ" Starr

Greetings to our new officers who are: Perry Norris, Governor; Marion Lopez, Vice-Governor; Doris Renninger, Secretary; and Kathleen Hilbrandt, Treasurer.

Things are really shaping up for our Hallowe'en Dinner Dance. Herb Fisher, our honorary 49½er, will be emcee. There will be prizes for the best costume and many, many door prizes!

Mrs. Maie Casey from Australia was our guest 99 at the September meeting. We served pink champagne in honor of the occasion. She presented us with a book, "Under Six Planets," by Winifred Brown and autographed by her. She is the only woman to win the "King's Cup Race" which is a closed course race completely around England. The book will circulate among us so we can all read it. This is the first book for our newly started library.

Dr. Clara Cross was in an auto accident we are sorry to report, but she is back "on the job" now!

Peggy Norris and Doris Renninger delivered Doris' daughter, Charlene, back to school at Georgetown. They flew Doris' Tri-Pacer. Kay Brick and Selma Cronan also got some Tri-Pacer time flying over to Block Island. On the way back they stopped at Zahn's Airport and had a real get-

together with Ann Baumgartner Carl who instructs there.

Ansel Talbot, Military and Aviation Editor of the New York Herald-Tribune, will be our guest speaker at the November meeting.

Another date for the future will be December 6 at Peggy and John Norris' home where we will have a Christmas Party!



EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

By Louise Sacchi

We missed the last News Letter, for which we apologize. At our August meeting, a swimming and hamburger party at Nancy Diemand's. We elected our new officers, as follows: Kay Macario, Chairman; Elsie McBride, Vice-Chairman; Jean Rutledge, Secretary; Nancy Diemand, Treasurer; Peggy Borek, Membership; Louise Sacchi, News Letter.

The September meeting, which was to have been joint with the Washington Chapter, almost became an October one due to hurricane Helena.

Ann Piggott and Margaret Clover, our Lock Haven members, were our hostesses for a fly-in luncheon and tour of the Piper plant. Ann's 49½er was our guide and the tour was very interesting, including, as it did, a private preview of something new from Mr. Piper for next year! Ann prepared a delicious lunch and afterward we had a short meeting and flew home again.

Members present were Kay Macario, Jane Morris, Nancy Demand, Kate Ornsen, Emily Conway, Peggy Borek, Marie D'Alterio, Helen Scheffer, Margaret Clover, Judy Rich, and Louise Sacchi. Guests and prospective members, Louise Kaiser and her husband, Paul, and Florence Shirey were also present. Our Sectional meeting is to be held on October 25 at Newcastle, Del., with luncheon at Dupont Country Club and a tour of the Hagy Museum.

WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER

By Virginia Thompson

We came, we saw, we conquered. Arthur Godfrey's famous Leesburg International Cowpasture Airport has now been airmarked. The nice cool morning soon faded into a rather warm day. So toward the end, Nancy Tier, Ada Mitchell, Hazel Dwiggin, Lamona Cervenka, Dorothy Mitchell, and I were jumping around like kittens on a hot tin roof. We managed the name "Leesburg" but "International Cowpasture" was a bit too much.

Parties are really a lot of fun, especially for the guests. Picture a room full of important aviation VIP's

happily munching on Jean Howard's goodies while waiting expectantly for the guests of honor, Maie Casey and her husband, Minister of External Affairs for Australia. The time passes but the honored guests fail to appear. A telephone call to the Embassy revealed that Jean had misunderstood the date of their arrival. Who minded—certainly not the guests who were having a wonderful time and delighted at the prospect of another party. On Tuesday, Oct. 14, all went well and it was a pleasure to meet our 99 friend from "down under" and hear all about flying in her country.

Fortunately, Jean only "goofs" on minor details. When it comes to helicopter flying, she is right on the ball. She recently had the opportunity of flying the Hiller 12-E with the Civil Air Attache from Britain as a passenger. To add an international flavor, she also flew the French Djinn.

Jean and I attended the U. S. Army Helicopter Show for the American Helicopter Society and the Institute of the Aeronautical Sciences. Here we saw the latest in helicopters and an airplane that can be inflated in eight minutes and folded to fit in a package half the size of most dining room tables.



SOUTHEAST FALL SECTIONAL

By Georgiana McConnell

Kitty Nix was hostess for the Fall Section meeting at Parkaire Field in Marietta, Ga. Attending the meeting were Dovie Robeson from Atlanta, Florence Fintak who drove from Alabama, Nita Hudman from the Carolinas flew in a Mooney and was met by her husband who was working in Atlanta. Minnie and Charles Wade, Estelle Moon and Grace Bailey flew from Alabama in Wade's 195, Estelle and Carl Bradshaw from the Carolinas in their 195, Louise Smith and Burnette Spencer in Louise's Bonanza, and Georgiana McConnell hitchhiking a ride in a Bonanza.

Saturday night we had a lovely cocktail party sponsored by the Piper dealers and catered by our able hostess. Our host, Walter Nix, showed us three of the Piper films, which were enjoyed by all.

Sunday we had our business meeting at a nearby restaurant. Burnette Spencer, our Governor, presided until the Teller's report on our new officers was given. The new officers are: Kitty Nix, Governor; Irma Price, Vice Governor; and Juanita Halsted, Secretary-Treasurer. Kitty thanked

the past officers for the wonderful job they had done and after much discussion we arrived at three aims for the coming year. We want to increase our membership; educate the general public with particular emphasis on women by urging the aviation manufacturers to advertise in women's magazines; and to place the 99's before the public by having our members either make talks themselves or sponsor talks on aviation to women's civic clubs. Attendance at the Section meetings was discussed. Next time we would like to have every Chapter represented and at least a 25 percent attendance.

Tentative plans were made to hold our Spring Sectional meeting at the Wade's place in Panama City, Fla.

FLORIDA CHAPTER

By Vera Bratz

With summer officially over, members of the Florida Chapter are reporting in from vacations all over the nation, Mexico, Germany and points N. E. S. & W. Some of us flew and others drove but all enjoyed the vacation season. Now we're back to week-end flying when the weatherman gives us some of that famous Florida weather he dishes out all week. Seems he keeps his bad days for Sundays. Oh, well, we can't have all the nice weather all the time, can we?

We held our regular monthly meeting on October 20 at the home of Verna Burke. It was short and sweet. We missed some familiar faces, among them Dorothea Vermorel who is on the sick list and Marian King, who, by the time this reaches the press should have presented the chapter with another King (or is it to be a queen again?). We rehearsed the race, met two prospective members and enjoyed our yearly visit from Anne Fruehauf from the Michigan Chapter.

One thing I learned since taking over this job of writing the News Letter is that quite a few members besides myself keep News Letters to re-read. It's a good way to keep in touch with other chapters. I know I always enjoy reading mine. Note to St. Louis Chapter: The smorgasbord sounded like quite a lot of fun.

TENNESSEE CHAPTER

By Evelyn Bryan

New officers for the coming year are: Chairman, Mary Jane Quarles; Vice-Chairman, Eddie Lee Griffin; Secretary-Treasurer, Georgiana McConnell. Things should be picking up in our chapter with the coming of a new year with these fine officers. We have hopes of getting several new members. We know of several girls learning to fly and we will be on hand to try to convince them that they should become Ninety-Nines.

Constance Ohlinger will be transfer-

ring to New England. She is now living in Vasseler, Maine. We hate to lose her to another chapter, but our loss will be their gain. Georgiana McConnell has been quite busy with her work in CAP. Since she has been working with Regional Staff she has made quite a number of inspection trips to Georgia, Alabama and Memphis. We are quite proud to have two of our Chapter on the Regional Staff. Sarah Duke is Regional Information Services Officer, and she is doing a fine job of it.

Our Olivia Browne really gets around. Anyone noticed the Joy advertisement on TV? Keep a lookout, you will see Olivia on those on a series of advertisements filmed while she was in Hollywood back in the spring. By the way, she took her Cessna 140 out to Texas and had metal wings put on it.

Delma Van Hoosier is now in the University of Tennessee in Knoxville. We are glad to have her nearer to us. The big trouble with our chapter is that we are scattered the entire length of our state and that is no little distance. Tenn. is over 400 miles long.



MICHIGAN CHAPTER By Elsie Ferich

Arrival at Sturgis, Mich., on Friday, Oct. 10, found the Kirsch Airport a flurry of activity under Eloise Smith's guidance. A jeep directed the planes to the gas pump prior to impound, and the exuberant "Welcome to Sturgis" from Janey Hart and Bernice Trimble made one feel arrived! With inspection of plane and papers completed, we were off to the registration desk. We left the registration desk, bedecked with contest ribbons, papers, program and a light hearted feeling. A friendly driver deposited us at our motel, saying he would call in about 45 minutes and drive us to the cocktail party at the Elks Club—this was the beginning of the S.M.A.L.L. Race.

The cocktail party was a chance to see and chat with old familiar friends, and make new ones, then off to the Sturgis-Young Auditorium for a pleasurable dinner and program. Dignitaries of Sturgis, and our hosts, the Chamber of Commerce, paid tribute to the contestants alike. It was added homage to the Michigan Chapter to have the International President and Vice President, Mrs. Broneta Davis Evans and Mrs. Eugenia Heise, present. James Ramsey, director of the Michigan Department of Aeronautics, proclaimed the race and Walter Carr, gave the briefing on the procedure

and the route. The secret "must checks" enroute to Manistee were Mt. Pleasant and Ewart, Mich.

After a hearty buffet breakfast, hosted by the Kirsch Company, we were off to the airport and alerted to the planes. A 10:00 take-off was scheduled for the 34 contestants, but reports of IFR conditions existing at the check-points, necessitated a delay. As the weather man dangled his icy fingers, hot coffee and sandwiches were served to the shivering persons. I thought of the girls who had come from sunny Florida and Texas to be part of the race, and I felt like shaking a fist at "Old Man Weather." Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio were represented and were being gustured with winds of 30 to 38 knots.

At 12:45 p.m., the first ship was flagged off, with orders issued for a straight course, and I was proud of the deft manner my friends handled their ships in the strong cross winds.

Skies brightened as I jostled and bounced along the course northward. I skirted rain showers, marveled at the rainbows ribboning the sky, and was breathless with the beauty of the crimson gold carpet spread out below me. A swoosh over the finish line, and I flew my plane to the ground for impounding. Hot coffee and sandwiches were the order of a friendly welcoming committee that assisted Sammy McKay at the terminus. Transported to the hotel, I made ready for the cocktail party being hosted by Manistee's Chamber of Commerce, and the awaited Awards Banquet. The tables were decked in the fall theme of colors, and while the harmonious singing of the Sweet Adelines serenaded us, a bountiful chicken dinner placated the appetites that had grown with the excitement.

Mr. N. Synnstedt made a formal welcome on behalf of Manistee's Chamber of Commerce, and Fred Waite announced the winners: Helen Weidwald, Cleveland, Ohio; Edna G. Whyte, Fort Worth, Texas; Faye Kirk, Detroit, Mich.; Mariorie Sanders, Flint, Mich.; and Velma Del Giorgio, Grosse Pointe, Mich. Last was Lois Whitney of Muncie, Ind., this year's winner of the Tail End Trophy, given by Tony Page. I felt like a "kissing cousin" to her. I had the T.E.T. Trophy last year.

Speculation was high as to how to win one of the five trophies given by the Aero Club, and that hand carved Paul Bunyan Trophy Traverse City gave as a rotating honor to the first place winner. There is a year to think it over, and maybe bring him back to Michigan or let him travel to another part of the country. Michigan's legendary lumberman could pay you a visit if you are the winner of the next Michigan S.M.A.L.L. Race.

INDIANA CHAPTER By Ethel Knuth

Our October meeting will always be remembered! We were most graciously entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Biddle at their recently remodeled airport at Sheridan, Ind. Both Ken and Velma went "all out" to make our day perfect—Ken having an airlift with his Cessna 310, and Velma serving a marvelous buffet dinner. The prize for the 180 degree spot landing contest was a beautiful jeweler's bronze and glass candy dish, presented by the Biddles, and won by Betty Nicholas. Bob Apple, airport manager, assisted at the field.

Trophies (lots of 'em) appropriately inscribed, were presented Miss Ann Orbaugh of Elwood and Miss Jerlyn Darlington of Anderson for solo flights on their 16th birthday. Our points program proved to be definitely stimulating and we had three high score participants, Nellie Jackson, Nellie Alger, and Flora Mae Newman, winning first, second and third places respectively.

Vigorous activity is revealed. Tannie Schlundt, Sophia Payton, Mildred Hurt and Delia Sanders all attended the Sectional in Chicago. (Delia is the proud recipient of a lovely 99 bracelet, a door prize at the Sectional.) Sophia Payton and 49½er Neal spent four days in New York City seeing the "town". Esther Berner and Tannie flew to Detroit in Esther's new Bonanza. Olive McCormick and 49½er Cassius are touring Europe in a chartered plane with the English Speaking Institute Group. Extra points were earned by Margaret Ringenberg, Jill McCormick and Jane Simmons as they participated in the S.M.A.L.L. Race in Michigan. (Margaret was eighth place, Jill ninth and Jane not quite next in line.) At the Totowa-Wayne Airport, near Patterson, N. J., our ex-Wasp Betty Nicholas and 49½er Ted had a delightful surprise. Betty, who has quite a background of flying, including smoke writing, offered transportation to a lady pilot, Pat Arnold of Hartford, Conn., who was weathered in because of loss of radio. Turns out that Pat is also a 99 member.

Back home in Indiana — Muncie to be exact: Dorothea Hendricks witnessed a most impressive ceremony as Vice President Nixon, accompanied by Mrs. Nixon, helped dedicate Johnson Field. Dorothea was an interested spectator, remembering her solo days on the old air strip. Blanche Noyes stopped in Indianapolis on the 11th and Tannie whisked her off to dinner at the Shrimp House. Margaret Ball Petty takes off for Sea Island, Ga., to attend the Sportsman's Pilot Association meeting this week. Mildred Hurt, Nellie Jackson and Billie Smith are

somewhere enroute on the Indianapolis Aero Club fall flight to California. They paused in Phoenix.

Notice to Saguaro Chapter — Since September 22 you have had a prospective member in Phoenix, eligible in 1974. Name: "Cathy Lou" Knuth. Her father is in ARTC at Sky Harbor CAA Center. (I've always wanted to be a "flying grandmother.")

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

By June Basile

The Chicago Area Chapter had great fun in holding the North Central Fall Sectional meeting in Chicago on September 26, 27 and 28. Wed Howard, radio and TV personality and pilot, emceed. Guest speaker was Steve J. Wittman, famous racing pilot. International Officers who attended were Broneta Davis Evans, President, and Eugenia Heise, Vice President. Blanche Noyes gave the invocation. We wish we had room to list all the 99s who attended. Thanks to all who helped us. To top it all off, the weather in Chicago was CAVU!

The October meeting was the well known day for mixed emotions. The Chapter's new officers were installed and "installation day" is like first solo day. Betty Morgan, our gracious hostess, provided just the right atmosphere for this happy-sad time. After a nice luncheon and some good coffee, we said thanks to Nell Brown, our retiring chairman, for her untiring efforts to keep the Chicago Chapter an active one.

Nell turned the gavel over to Lois Cassidy, our new Chairman, and business went on as usual. The new officers and committee chairmen were oriented to their jobs, and the new year's program was set up.

Some of our members are a bit reticent about their flying activities; consequently, our secretive informant kept her ears open and here is what she uncovered. We'll give you just the facts, nothing more.

Regina Devine has been flying out of Chicago-Hammond Airport. Lois Cassidy is the proud possessor of an Erco and Kay Buckley is working hard for her multi-engine rating. Alice Kudra is anxious to fly her Cessna 170 out of Midway Airport again. By the way, be sure to read the article she wrote for the June 1958 issue of "Air Facts."

GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER

By Maxine Loeffler

Our October meeting was held at the home of Sylvia Bloom, our Chairman, with Sylvia and Dorothy Wheeler as hostesses. After our meeting they served a delicious luncheon. We are quite happy to say that we had five student pilots attending and quite a good representation of members.

After the business meeting the movie, "Wings for a Beginner" was shown.

Plans are already in progress for the Spring Sectional to be held in St. Louis. We all had a most enjoyable time at Chicago's Fall Sectional and were very pleased and proud to be able to bring back to St. Louis for the second consecutive time the rotating trophy for the greatest percentage attending from any chapter. We hope to have as large a group in St. Louis next April when we intend to show you the true meaning behind "The Spirit of St. Louis."

Plans are also in progress for our annual Christmas Party and Fund Raising Party to be held in the Spring.

Our Wing Scout Group is coming along quite well and we are enjoying being able to work with the girls.

Mickey Clark and Irma Jaco with their 49½ers report they had a good time recently fishing and just vacationing in Minnesota.

Virginia Duenkle and 49½er Burton are returning from Europe after attending the World's Fair in Brussels, Switzerland, Rome, and many more points of interest.

ALL-OHIO CHAPTER

By Mary J. Fecser

Actual participation in flying a glider presented members and friends with a vivid experience of sensation and modus operandi necessary to keep an engineless craft airborne. Thanks to Janice, who is a licensed member of the Buckeye Glider Club, 19 members of the Ohio 99's and their guests had the rare opportunity of not only flying "in" a glider, but handling the controls in flight, and, under the vigilant eye of glider guider Dick Batts, even landing the craft.

Indefatigably, Dick repeated 19 times in swift succession the procedure we were to observe in flying the glider. Paul Wolfe, president of the club, and Ben Harlemert performed the towing rites which wafted us airborne, while flight leader Tom Terrall marshalled the riders in efficient order.

Those who heeded the call of this perfect autumn day to attend the meeting were Alice and Doc Schlott, Jean and Doc Bonar, who Cessnaed in, as did Penny Cramer and 49½er. Marilyn Collette and Virginia also flew in a Cessna. Bonanzaing were Marge Gorman and 49½er. Lavina Stolte Tri-Paced in, as did Joan Hrubec with Edythe Maxim, John Maxim, and Ruth Theis as her passengers. Marion Betzler was a passenger in Edna and Mr. Calbeck's new Skylane. Winnie Caughey was thrilled about just having bought her Luscombe 8A, which was her transportation to the meeting. Dottie Anderson, as usual, flew the Comanche. Lee

Best, Rosalie Bracht, and Jean Hixson chartered an all-metal Stinson to fly to the meeting. Harriet Wladyka flew a Champion. Also flying in a Cessna were guests Ruth and Merrill Love, with their three children, Carol, Ronny and Timmy.

MINNESOTA CHAPTER

By Shirley Iverson

A fly-in air meet was planned for Minnesota 99's on October 19. High, gusty winds and the first weekend of pheasant hunting spoiled both flying and attendance.

To those of us who did attend, Malcolm Manuel gave our first dual in a Link Trainer. Supposedly, we all survived over the eight minute time limit set up for beginners (but then, Malcolm didn't completely foul us up by giving us barometer icing conditions, etc.). That flight in the Link Trainer gave me a great deal of respect for instrument pilots!

Our hostess with the mostess, Margaret Manuel, served us a Thanksgiving type dinner. Turkey and all the fixings—real yummy!

A prospective and her husband, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Mennken, were guests of Marilyn Williams. They are Bonanza pilots, or at least expect to be again soon. They sold their plane not long ago and are feeling very much grounded and anxious to buy another plane! For the next News Letter we hope to be able to report Patty as a new member. Dr. Mennken is a cardiologist at the Mayo Clinic at Rochester, Minn.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER

By Rose S. Andrew

The October meeting of our group was held at Hotel Rogers, Bloomington, Ill., with Helen Greinkle acting as hostess. They had a fine dinner and listened to a gentleman, employed by the CAA, talk on safety.

The evening was fine for flying so Sue Hassler, Mrs. Hubbard and Miss Goldstein flew over from Champaign and came home by moonlight.

Others coming by air were Marjorie Kelly in her trusty Cessna 172, her instructor in night flying, Mr. Beatty, from Mattoon Airport, and Mrs. Marcia Brody, a new member (member of bio-physics staff, Univ. of Ill.), whom they stopped for at the Univ. of Ill. Airport.

Florence Musser was there from Lincoln, and Barbara Jenison from Paris.

Several of our 99's attended a meeting on safety at Springfield October 23.

Rose Andrew and her 49½er plus sons, Terry and Paul, have plans for spending the weekend of October 25 in Cleveland, Ohio, with relatives. They expect to make the trip the "easy way" via Tri-Pacer, owned by the University of Illinois.

IOWA CHAPTER**By Helen Holton**

Although I couldn't attend the October meeting, Joan Fortier, our new Secretary, gave me a run down of the day's event's.

Everyone met at Dodge Field which is at the northwest edge of Des Moines on October 19. Kitty Hach flew in from Ames in her 170, and Louise Swift, her 49½er and children flew a Tri-Pacer from Maquoketa. Others present were Maggie Adkins, her daughter, Susie, and Adolph Feiler; Irene Dalbey and her 49½er; Joan Fortier, and our new Chairman, Alice Pfantz, her 49½er and children.

From Dodge Field they drove to Adolph Feiler's trailer camp on the Des Moines River and grilled steaks. Adolph and Maggie furnished baked potatoes, salad, rolls and drink. Joann reported, "Everyone ate heartily - maybe it was the beautiful out-of-doors, I don't know, or maybe it was 'cause the fellas fixed the steaks while we started our meeting, but nevertheless, everyone was there with appetite."

Our meetings henceforth will be held on the second Sunday of each month.

Sorry I missed the book review on "Women with Wings" by Planck which Kitty gave.

Our next meeting will be at Marshalltown on the 9th of November with Leona Hertema as hostess.

Four of our members made it to Chicago for the Fall Sectional. Alice Pfantz and Evelyn Grandquist flew to Meigs Field in Alice's Tri-Pacer. Kitty Hach and her children picked your reporter up at Chariton in her 170, and we landed at Dupage County Airport. The Chicago Area girls met us and drove us to the Bismark Hotel. Thanks for your wonderful hospitality, girls. Meeting Broneta Davis Evans, Mrs. Blanche Noyes and Steve Wittman was a real thrill. We came home with new ideas and renewed enthusiasm.

**FORT WORTH CHAPTER****By Frances Pyland**

Thursday evening, Oct. 16, we had our first meeting of the fall season at the home of Mary Kahar. Ways and means of raising money were discussed and we voted to sponsor a special Woman's Day at Meacham Field in the near future. Tickets will be sold at half price to women who buy a plane ride over the city. The commercial pilots in our group will

be hopping the passengers. Sounds like fun. We also voted that two members each month should be responsible for the meetings of our group. In this way we feel we will have something new and different each meeting. Flew out to the ranch country of Texas to the airport dedication ceremonies of their new airport at Sonora. Saw plenty of cowboys, cowgals and airplanes, besides a very good air show.

We congratulate Georgiana McConnell, winner of the '57 Amelia Earhart Scholarship Award, on her accomplishments and wish for her the very best in her future endeavors in aviation.

The Fort Worth Chapter salutes Betty Anderson (Mrs. Tex), The National Flying Farmer Queen from Texas.

CORPUS CHRISTI-HOUSTON CHAPTER**By Elaine Needham**

Since the summer vacation months are over, we gals are sizzling with new enthusiasm, born of long-restrained seclusion . . . you guessed it - had our first meeting last Thursday, after a long absence; lasted almost five hours.

What did we talk about? Can't remember.

The valley gals couldn't make the meeting because of a swollen Rio Grande threatening to float the towns down there off the map. Anyway, we are happy to hear that all of Mexico and the Valley won't turn into mud after all.

Houston, where are you? We guess you're just too far away to make meetings when we have them this far down south, anyway, we missed having you with us.

We painted two new airmarkers at Lampasas on September 1st, one on the airport roof and one in town, which is a good eight miles away. Veta Tennent got bawled out for tracking black paint on the roof; poor Veta, two hours later we realized it was her rubber soles melting right off her shoes. Must have been 120 degrees on the roof!

We missed seeing some of you on the Air Tour. They really looked like a merry crowd.

We're having "Polio Flight Day" here at Cuddihy Field this Sunday to help raise funds to fight polio.

'Bout all 'til next time. Come see us sometime, youall.

COLORADO CHAPTER**By Peggy Ong**

Our October meeting was held at the Wayside Inn in Berthoud with Helen Choun and yours truly as co-hostesses. Chicken dinners were consumed by the group which included our chairman, Helen Maxson and her 49½er, John, Donna Meyers, Gene

Nora Stumbaugh, Bary and Bob Wenzholz, Mary Frenzel, Jo Dennis, Frances and Ed Tepper, Jane and Swede Nettleblad, Verna Christopher, Helen and Joe Choun, and Jim and me. Pat Moss was a guest of the chapter. Jim and I were pleasantly surprised by a Happy Tenth Anniversary gift, thanks to the ingenious idea of Helen.

During the short business meeting that followed, Pat Moss was voted in to the group. She's up to her ears in work at CSU but not too busy to be getting squared away to do some fly-in gin the CAP group based at Greeley. Happy to have you with us, Pat!

We also discussed some money-making ideas . . . namely attempting to put some earrings together for resale before Christmas and a rummage sale in February. Naturally we're still open for some further sure-fire money makers, so put on your thinking caps gals.

Mary Collett's littlest pilot has made a safe landing . . . haven't heard what his name is though. Jo Dennis took a couple of short flights to Laramie recently . . . said it was the only way that she could spend some time with her wandering husband. Anyone checking in at the Broadmoor? Be sure and look up Gene Nora . . . she's helping them run the place these days.

Happy flyin' gals!

TULSA CHAPTER**By Agnes Hellman**

We of the Tulsa chapter are delighted to have as guest for the October meeting, Broneta Evans, our International President. She sparked us with new enthusiasm by her pleasant and sincere participation.

During the evening we discovered that our chairman, Lois Martin is a licensed Engine Mechanic, and plans to take charge of the "carburetor division" for Ross Aviation at the new Tulsa Riverside Airport. Our Secretary, Agnes Hellman and her AOPAer husband flew to St. Petersburg, Fla., to take in the "Plantation Party" there.

At our October meeting we planned a Nov. 15 flight to the Fly 'N Fish Lodge Lake on the Texas-Louisiana border. Our meeting was held at Mildred Bishop's attractive new apartment at Cliff Towers Hotel. We were pleased to have Joan Huckeba and Mary Gauss as our guests. Our regular monthly meetings will be held on the fourth Thursdays at various locations.

Several orchids to hand out on this typewriter flight. First to Margie Barr, our outgoing chairman, for a successful, progressive year and many enjoyable meetings.

Hooray, hooray! Jerry Sloan has her commercial. Oct. 21 will go down in her history book as THE day. It

rained and rained but Jerry out-determined the weather and sewed up the new license between thundershowers.

Our famous Fort Worth neighbor, Edna Gardner Whyte, has won her 40th flying trophy following the S.M.A.L.L. race. Edna has collected some 13 of those trophies in the past two years!

OKLAHOMA CHAPTER

By Dorothy Morgan

Our Duncan members, Betty Black, Fern Yount and Marie Ketcham report that the Oklahoma Chapter was well represented at the Duncan Annual Fly-In sponsored by the CAP and Duncan Chamber of Commerce. Those attending were Sally Broyles and Arlene Walkup, Beth Smith, June Crosby and their 49½ers. Understand Fern had a case of "griddle hands" trying to fill up the visitors. Sally and Arlene took along their Gang—some 30 Flying Aggies.

A low bow to the Stillwater girls for their enthusiasm — they are having meetings in between our regular monthly meetings, as I understand it "just because they like being 99s."

On Oct. 23rd Beth and Smitty entertained the Chapter at a Buffet in honor of their special guests, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hendrix of Mexico City. A good time! The flying contingent from Stillwater got in some night flying on this occasion.

The Abilene girls finally caught some decent weather and flew up to make a tour of the CAA Aeronautical Center arranged for them by Dottie Young. We were happy to have them and hope they will come again.

Our October meeting was the 26th at Broneta Davis in Minco. Broneta, as usual, a perfect hostess, assisted by her 49½er, Clyde, served a delectable brunch to the members and guests. This was the annual 'Scrap Book' meeting — there is some talk of calling it the "Crazy 8" meeting. Members present were: Sally Broyles, Emily Frost, Ida Carter, Marie Hall, Nema Masonhall, Susie Sewell, Beth Smith, Arlene Walkup, Ruth Jones, Fern Yount, Marie Ketchum, Betty Black, Rita Eaves, Cheryl Johnson, Jean Williams, Velma Woodward, Dottie Young, Broneta and Dorothy Morgan. Guests: Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Franke, Ella Sharp and 49ers, Evans, Smith and Young. And our three new members, to whom we offer a friendly, cordial welcome — Wally Funk, Linda Cudd, Delores Scott.

EL PASO, TEXAS, CHAPTER

The September meeting was held at the home of Anne Duthie with Juanita Burdick furnishing the refreshments. Those attending the meeting were as follows: Ann Duthie, Lela Cowardine, Ruth Deerman, Lois

Hailey, Juanita Burdick and Frances Slape. Lela told us about her experiences in the I.A.R., in which she won the "Tail End Toni" cup. She made each of us feel that we missed a wonderful time.

Ruth Deerman attended the fall Sec. meeting at Dallas, Texas. She also entered the Dallas Doll Derby, placing 11th in the race. Ruth was also elected to take care of the publicity for the chapter.

Ruby and Dick Tatman flew to the Cessna factory to pick up their new Sky Lane. Ruby has named the new plant "Gertrude".

Tex and Juanita Burdick are off on another hunting trip to Colorado. Quite a few of the Ninety-Nines were out to the El Paso Airport to meet the All-Texas Air Tour as it landed here. Reminded us of when the T.W.A.R. landed here.

A picnic flight was planned for Nov. 1. Prospective 99's and 99's are to meet at the airport in El Paso and fly to the airport in Van Horn, Texas.

Frances Slape and two daughters spent the weekend in Deming, N. M. Bonnie, the oldest, modeled in the style show that was given in connection with the county fair.

ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER

By Meg Guggolz

We let meetings slip during the summer for one reason or another but are now back in business and hope to keep Albuquerque hopping this year.

We are all sorry to have had 49½er Capt. Eddie Eddleman and family transferred to McClellan AFB in Sacramento. Jo is sorely missed but will keep her membership here and return at the first possible moment. Glad to see the Sacramento Chapter has put her to work—she is tireless.

Donie Boon has resigned her job as Newsletter reporter so I have inherited it along with my scrap book. The complete roster of officers, elected at the last meeting are: Chairman, Betty Burritt; Vice Chairman, Mary Turney; Secretary and Treasurer, Randy Sutherland; Membership, one of our newest members, Jean Cryer. We are sorry to lose Donie's energetic participation and trust we will persuade her to return to the fold before too long.

Had a fine meeting 20 October at the Sandia Base Nurses Quarters with several courageous 49½ers present. The Kays, Burritts and Sutherlands entertained with movies of their various trips. Jack and Randy showed their complete post AWTAR trip — with running commentary on tape — via Cuba and Mexico. They are wonderful pictures.

We have several new prospects for

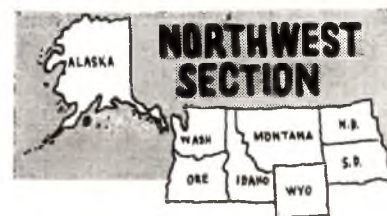
membership just as soon as those Private Licenses come through. Albuquerque women are taking to the air.

DALLAS, TEXAS, CHAPTER

By Frankie Waits

Pat Jetton is new pilot-in-command of our chapter following her election as chairman at the September dinner meeting at El Chico Inwood Restaurant. Other 1958-59 officers are Jerry Sloan, vice-chairman; Rowena Burns, secretary; Martha Ann Reading, re-elected treasurer; Doris Weller, re-elected membership chairman; and the Newsletter reporter.

Dorothy Warren was welcomed as our newest member. She is Link instructor with Precision Flight Navigation Co. at Love Field. Her 49½er, Chuck, is instrument flight instructor for the firm. Dorothy took her Link rating at Spartan School of Aeronautics in Tulsa. For several years she and Chuck leased and operated an airport at Mineral Wells. Their home is at 2671 Wasina, Dallas.



IDAHO CHAPTER

By Lucille Taylor

Congratulations to our newly elected officers: Edna Hettinger, Chairman; Margaret Gigray, Vice-Chairman; Helen Higby, Secretary; Eula Logsdon, Treasurer. On September 17, our chapter met at the Municipal Airport Flight Room for a no-host dinner and to install our new officers. After dinner we all enjoyed a personal tour of the West Coast Fairchild F-27 which landed in it's preliminary run.

Idaho girls attending the Northwest Sectional Meeting in Renton, Washington were terrifically impressed with the hospitality of Western Washington. On Friday we were taken on a tour of the Boeing plant with showings of the new 707 jet airliners and the KC-135 jet tankers. Our business meetings and social gatherings were held at the Lake Wilderness Lodge—a very beautiful resort area. The program given by Tom Trethewal on "Survival Tips" was very enlightening. Idaho Chapter members attending were: Edna Hettinger, Millie Shinn, Gayle Evans and pilot, Laura Conner in a Cessna 172; Lucille Taylor and 49½er in the Luscombe. With most of us weathered-in an extra day, we sort of extended our visit and I



Doris Atkinson (left) and Mrs. Hubert Martin at work on the Northwest 99 "Stover Pilot" Cookbook, the sale of which will help extend real Western hospitality to the delegates of the 1959 International Convention and participants of the AWTAR next July in Spokane, Washington.

think everyone was quite happy to be able to stay another day.

Our October meeting was held in the home of Margaret Gigray in Caldwell, with guest speaker, Bob Nichols, showing films on his recent tour of Mexico and last year's tour of Europe. The "travel bug" was nipping at everyone when he finished.

MONTANA CHAPTER

By Dorothy Sabo

The outstanding event of October was the Air Fair in Billings which included the dedication of the beautiful new Administration Building. On Sunday afternoon, October 5, the Montana 99's ably represented by Pud Lovelace, Norma Wingfield, Marge Rolle, Jean Brink Nadine Rothrock and Inza Riedesel were official hostesses at the Friendship Hour held in the new pilot's room for visiting pilots and friends. The famous Blue Angels performed for the Fair. On Monday and Tuesday following, the 99s attended panel discussions and meetings of the International Northwest Aviation Council and Marge Rolle and Norma Wingfield modeled flying costumes of earlier times at the style show in connection with one of the luncheons. Mrs. Lucille Wright of Jamestown, N. Y., presented an Amelia Earhart medal to Marge, whose father, Dick Logan, managed the Billings airport for many years and whose family was honored at the Air Fair.

Vivienne Schrank is busy with her instructing. One of her new private pilots is encouraging his wife to learn so Vivienne will have another student soon. She and 49½ Milton had a thrill at the Air Fair when they rode in a Bell Helicopter.

Orpha Dann is becoming accustomed to her new Piper Cruiser. We heard that Orpha befriended a hunter who was caught by the recent violent and early snowstorm which hit the eastern part of the state without warning a week ago.

Pud Lovelace and your correspondent had a delightful trip on a beautiful Sunday morning to West Yellowstone where we met with Ernestine Gore and Sue Ward who were there for the fall Montana Pilot's Association fly-in weekend. Sue has a new Cessna 180 to enjoy. After the meeting, we flew on down over Yellowstone Park to Jackson Hole, Wyoming. The trip back took us over the pass south of the awe inspiring Teton Mountains and the beauty of the autumn colors of their forest covering.

Gladys and Don Chapman just returned from Denver in time to attend a Flying Farmers' meeting in Red Lodge.

EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

By Mary Drinkwater

October 5th, Minnie Boyd and Louise Lee were hostesses for our chapter meeting at Minnie's lovely home

in Pullman. A perfect flying day resulted in a big turn-out. 99's from Yakima, Walla Walla, Pomeroy, Wenatchee, Pullman, Spokane, Moses Lake and Lewiston numbered twelve.

Seven 49½ers and four children brought the gang to twenty-three!

While we had our business meeting the fellows enjoyed the World Series on TV. A feast, a real yummy one, followed the meeting with visiting the rest of the day.

Chairman, Lygie Hagan; V-Chairman, Betty Seavey; Secretary, Ardith Sherman and Treasurer, Louise Lee were re-elected as chapter officers for another term.

Our newest member, Margrett Clarke of Lewiston and Carol Gillespie, formerly of Alaska and now of Moses Lake attended. Happy to have you with us girls.

As the 1959 International Convention comes nearer, our meetings are necessarily devoted to convention plans. Lygie Hagan, chairman, is doing a superb job of getting plans organized. Lygie suffered painful injuries in an automobile (nasty things) accident two weeks ago, but was able to come and we are so happy her injuries weren't more serious.

During a recent open-house of a newly formed flying service at the Yakima Municipal Airport, I had the pleasure of meeting a 99 from the Western Washington chapter; Ida Beebe. It's always such fun seeing a fellow 99!

November 8th is the date of our next meeting. An over-night meet at Pasco.

EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER

By Esther Stone

We, in Eastern Idaho seem to run into an automatic rough as soon as a Newsletter reporter is appointed, elected or designed, something happens — she goes away — and no news.

Officers for the chapter were elected in August, at May, Idaho where we flew in for breakfast. Steaks for breakfast yet! The new officers are: Esther Stone, chairman; Elaine Loeving, vice chairman; Onita Hoff, secretary; Marilyn Hansen, treasurer; and Marie Hansen, membership chairman and Newsletter reporter.

In September, the Eastern Idaho 99s really circulated. Selma Mischuk flew her TriPacer to New York and back — all alone. Our newest member, Betty Brown and her husband, the Judge, flew to Seattle and back in their Ercole. Marie Hansen went to Denver, and we haven't heard from her since — tho we get reports she is flying around in Colorado and New

Mexico. Onita Hoff and the Stones flew to Renton, Wash., for a wonderful Northwest Sectional meeting. (weather was not too good) Elaine Loening has been flying the Super Cub between the ranch and Salmon, Idaho. Marilyn Hansen went on a trip—where? We haven't gotten the details yet.

Our September meeting was held in Idaho Falls at the Hoff's Rainbow Ranch. It was a joint meeting with the Idaho Flying Farmers. Four planes landed on the strip at Rainbow Ranch, the balance at Idaho Falls airport. It was "Pot Luck" dinner, and did we gorge ourselves. Laura Conner and her 49½, her sister and brother-in-law, Russell, flew over from Boise in a new 172. We were sorry to miss the Beebes from Washington, who had to leave early—they missed Mark Hoff's specialty—Mountain Oysters. Twas a grand gathering, conversation went from Jennys to Jets, wheat and sugar beets to baby formulas, and back lot football on the sidelines. Next meeting will be Sunday, Oct. 26, when an agenda of future meetings will be planned.



TUCSON CHAPTER **By Mary A. Martin**

The Tucson Chapter, at its regular meeting October 6, invited guests to hear Mr. George W. Truman (no relation to Harry S.)

Mr. Truman was one of the two pilots who originally flew around the world in a Piper Cruiser, in 1948; his partner being Cliff Edwards. What had started out as a hanger flight wound up as a completed blueprint when the boys were told it couldn't be done. In the face of much opposition, they used the "camp on the doorstep" technique to get a hearing from Piper Aircraft, Lycoming Engines, Kollsman Instruments, etc.; all of which agreed to back them after seeing their detailed plans.

Two used aircraft having been secured, fitted with extra fuel tanks and all possible equipment, the pilots managed to squeeze into their ships and run off necessary C.A.A. tests before departure.

Finally, Cliff and George were winging on their way through weather to Greenland, to Ireland, England, Paris, Rome; across the Mediterranean by careful navigation to Egypt; to Bagdad and Arabia with the dysentery and Mercenary natives. Thru India and Burma and up to China,



TUCSON 99 SHIRLEY MARSHALL
and actor Vincent Price having a good time at the Inter-Tribal Indian Ceremonials in Gallup, N. M.

where bad luck continued to plague them down to their last ten dollars. When they arrived in American-occupied Japan the red carpet was rolled out, but bad luck still followed, for permission could not be obtained to land in Russia for refueling. So from the northern tip of Japan, they set out groggily across the black Pacific for the Aleutians where they arrived safely in spite of malevolent weather. Through Alaska and down the Alcan Highway the pair flew, to finally land at Los Angeles, George's hometown.

Their feat earned them widespread respect as well as financial remuneration and good jobs. They were invited to a command performance at the White House, and one with Wilber Wright, and certainly they had earned it all the hard way.

Mr. Truman's twin daughters attended the meeting as well as several guests. Regular members attending were Donna Johnston, Lorraine Chandler, Gertrude Gelderman, Shirley Marshall, and Mary Martin, and our hostess was Dorothy Jenkins.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER

By Louciel B. Freeman

Our October meeting was held at Stockton airport. Ethel Hieland flew in with her 49½er Bob and their two children, Maxine and Joyce. Laura May Crawford, Billie Wyatt, Eve Hendley and Louciel B. Freeman had to fly low in Laura May's cad. We all

seem to have some excuse for not flying.

Billie Wyatt seems to be doing a lot of flying, she and 49½er Ed flew into Willit for an air show which she saw the California parachute jumpers and sky diving exhibition. They flew to Clear Lake taking along Frank and Olive Bednar and were met by Gus and Helen Nicolas of Lakeport. That isn't all, they flew to Yuba City fly-in sponsored by the Lazy 8 Flying Club, and then ending up at the Nut Tree for lunch.

Laura May Crawford and her 49½er Gene flew to the Nut Tree, and also they recently returned from a four day flying trip to Las Vegas. I received first hand information on that trip—WHOW WEE.

We haven't seen Fran Dias around. She's been working eighteen out of every twenty-four hours, seven days a week. Maybe, she's planning to go go back up to Elko, Nev.

Louciel Freeman is getting her Stinson ready for 100 hour inspection, including a brand new windshield. Ethel Hieland's hubby has been helping Lou in getting her plane in top shape. Thanks Bob.

Louciel and her helpers, Billie and Ethel has repaired the airmarking in Gustine and Newman. We must not forget Ethel's two daughters, Maxine and Joyce. They were a lot of help. So girls if you get lost around here you'll be able to identify Gustine and Newman by a brand new paint job. Please appreciate the job we did, because it was hot as ----- Well you name it.

Norma Norton has a brand new baby boy.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER

By Jeanne Strahl

While gleaning news from our chapter members we found one of our most glamorous girls, Audrey Shutte, also leads a most exciting existence and has chosen parachute jumping as a hobby. Audrey and her hubbie belong to a group of avid jumpers and they both have several jumps to their credit. Audrey hasn't graduated to the "delayed" or free-fall jump as yet but hopes to very soon.

Shirley Robinson is adding one more function to her already busy schedule. She has accepted the position of membership chairman for our chapter. Shirley and Bill are most actively engaged in the preparation of the Experimental Aircraft Assoc. fly-in on November 2 at Santa Paula. Bill has been made director of the meet. Shirley placed first in spot landing and final tally in the last

meet sponsored by the EAA at Paso Robles.

On October 6 we had our monthly meeting at the home of Louise Robertson in Van Nuys. Everyone was delighted to see Loretta Foy Savory—it was her first appearance since nuptial vows. Understand Mr. Savory is head of Research and Development at Capitol Records. Jean Parker Rose's guest was Lee Sachnoff who makes her home in Manhattan Beach. Two more cross country jaunts and Lee will earn her wings.

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

By Christie Warren

Our October meeting was held at Claire Walters' home which is on the edge of Santa Monica airport. Back of the house, there is a separate rumpus room with all facilities for the the wonderful barbecue steak dinner enjoyed before starting the meeting. Chairman, Marijane Brown, an attorney at law, really gave a shining example of ho who conduct a meeting, getting business over with in short order, allowing plenty of time for visiting and getting acquainted with our new member, Mary Ann Craig.

Mary Ann is a most enthusiastic pilto as shown by these statistics: first flying lesson in June, and flight check on August 8th. Less than 2 months of flying to become eligible for 99's. Her instructor? None other than Claire Walters who is considered the very best. Mary Ann is a checker at Von's market in West L. A. and has a daughter nine years old.

Our meeting dates for the ensuing year will be on the 2nd Tuesdays, and Claire has given us her rumpus room as a permanent meeting place. We plan to have instructors for a night flight from Santa Monica airport for one meeting, another with Link Trainer time (using airport equipment) and an added attraction on November 2nd will be a Sunday breakfast flight to Desert Air Park.

Our chapter regrets that we are losing Val Verba to the San Fernando Valley Chapter because she lives in that area. She is a great gal, and a very valuable member.

So that 99's from out of town may contact us when in town without their Roster, it was agreed that we have listings in the area telephone directories using members' numbers.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

By Dottie Sanders

We're sorry to hear Aileen Saunders had to enter the hospital for minor surgery this week, but she thinks she will be well by October 31 when

a group will go to Mellings Ranch in Mexico for a Hallowe'en barbecue and hayride. Up and at 'em, Aileen.

A white elephant sale was held at our October 17th meeting in the home of Amy Changnon, and our income for the evening was \$71.95, which is a good start for our campaign to swell the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund. Our rummage sale is set for November 8, and we hope to have a good sale so that we will have a good contribution to the fund, which we are sure of with Wilma Kleven as Chairman.

Desert Air Park at Palm Desert, just south of Palm Springs on your maps, was headquarters for a delightful fly-in brunch on October 12th. Elsie Smith and 49½er, Norman, from the Los Angeles chapter, joined us for a restful day with good food and swimming.

It looks like a busy year ahead with so many good members heading committees. We hope to do some air marking, with Thelma Bishop at the wheel. Anna Christensen, one of our newest members, will be Assistant Secretary; Air Age Education and Wing Scout Chairman is our very capable Betty Lambert; Board Member at large, our former Secretary, Gerry Vickers; Flying Activities Chairman, Lois Bartling; Nominating Committee Chairman, Dottie Davis; Historian, Stella Hardin; Program Chairman, Terry Vasques; and Membership Chairman, Dottie Sanders. Newsletter Editor and Publicity is held by our Vice-Chairman, Aileen Saunders.

LONG BEACH CHAPTER

By F. Bera

The October meeting of our chapter was held at the home of Fran Bera, with Hallowe'en decor. A little excitement when the paper mache pumpkin caught fire, but it was under control in seconds.

The evening was spent pouring over the scrapbooks of Amelia Earhart, which will be flown to headquarters by Cleo Morrison. These were so very interesting we wish we had more time to spend reading them. Betty Loufek gave a talk on the highlights of Amelia's career. The meeting was well attended with members and prospective members, a turnout of 23.

Claire Walters is teaching movie actor John Gavin to fly. They cross-countryed to Las Vegas where Claire was a guest at his family's home.

Cleo Morrison flew a Tri Pacer out from New York and also checked out in the new Commanche while on her trip.

Betty Miller has a new 150 Cessna with five more ordered for their school, Santa Monica Flyers. We are busy making plans for our Christmas party and a nickel jitney sale in January to raise the funds in our treasury. Virginia Showers and husband, Glenn, both received their private licenses on the same day. Claire Walters instructed both of them, and Fran gave the Flight check, so Virginia will be a new member of our chapter very soon.

Members of our chapter have been invited on a tour of George Air Force base by the San Diego chapter. Special permission will be given the girls to fly in.

BAY CITIES CHAPTER

By Margaret Gerhardt

The October meeting was on Friday the 17th at Mable Zehrs in Redwood City. I was sorry to miss the cake with the pink chocolate icing, and also a look at Mable's colored TV. Present were Miriam Brugh, Mary Fields, Jean Kaye, Gail Lane, Doris Phillips, Ruth Rueckert, and Mable Zehr. We are sorry that Mable is going to transfer to the Santa Clara chapter. Our new vice-chairman will be Jean Kaye. Jean told of her trip to the South Pacific, and I was sorry to miss hearing about it first hand. She was on the original flight of the Tahitian airline (don't know its French name). Jean expects to apply for the Amelia Earhart scholarship from our chapter, and has put in 26 hours of flying since her return. Other flying includes Geri Hill and Miriam Brugh to Bakersfield in a Mooney, and Rita and Al Hart to Las Vegas for the boat races via Bellanca.

We had an impromptu get-together with Ena Ayers on October 4th. Dinner at the Fairmont and an after-dinner drink at the Top of the Mark was fun, with the Keltons, Rueckerts, Gerhardts and Marge Fauth.

For our November meeting we plan to join the NAA for Kitty Hawk on December 5th. There will be a 99 table and we will welcome 99's and their guests from other chapters. Tickets will be available from Ruth Rueckert. Christmas party will be at Margaret Gerhardts on December 12th.

SAGUARO CHAPTER

By Alice Roberts

I am typing this at Sky Harbor airport while waiting for my 49½er to fly in from Huron, South Dakota. He went pheasant hunting and according to all reports he got his limit of 4 a day each day he was there. So if any of you have recipes for pheas-

ant please forward to yours truly.

At the end of the Southwest section last Newsletter . . . it stated "Didn't hear from Saguaro Chapter . . . didn't anything happen?" Yes, lots has happened, which is why you didn't hear from us. Jimmye Shelton, our new chairman, "Comancheed" to the coast, the October 4th. She and Frank "Apacheed" to Lock Haven for a convention of Piper Distributors (her husband is one). Melba Beard flew her OX 5 Bird to the coast and was treated like royalty, she reports. She said they moved brand new Bonanza out in the rain so her little "Bird" could be under cover. Imagine that! Wilma Bland and her spouse, Bill, summered at Balboa . . . the luck of some people.

Our meeting this month was held at the home of Jimmye Shelton and the following were present; Jimmye, Juanita Newell, Wilma Bland, Melba Beard, Margie Crowl, prospective member Pat Runyon, June Keyser and Alice Roberts.

We were really sorry that our new Vice-Governor was down with the flu and couldn't make it. Virginia

Hash should be up and going again soon, we hope.

Lots of good flying 'til next month!

SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER **By Jeanne McElhatton**

We really took to the air for this report! Yours truly and Pat Gladney headed for Phoenix just before Labor Day to bring Jack's folks back for the holiday. Flew Pat's Cessna 180 which is a real dream to fly. Made an overnight stop at Apple Valley and we couldn't have timed it better if we had tried. It was their biggest night of the season, complete with poolside tables, an elaborate "Luau", excellent Hawaiian floor show and hundreds of people. No sooner settled down than the Sectional at Elko loomed forth, and thanks to an invitation from Pat, off we went again. This time Margaret Standish and Patty Sherwood were our pleasant companions. Had a great time at the Sectional, thanks to the Utah Chapter who were hosts. The trip back was spent skirting a storm which moved in during the night. But it was a nice change, for instead of crossing over so much desert we flew over elegant

Lake Tahoe and the ruggedly beautiful country which surrounds it.

Marion and Herm Barnick flew their twin Beech to the Sectional bringing along some of the Bay Cities girls. The Barnicks have started an air ambulance service recently, however the plane was not being used in this capacity on the trip to Elko. They have not done much advertising as yet, but have already had many calls. A Twin Cessna and Twin Beech are completely outfitted with oxygen and room for two patients, a nurse, a passenger, pilot and co-pilot. One trip has taken them to Akron and Detroit and in another case the Cessna was the only plane which could be used for transport of an iron lung patient. The large side door is the only one which was large enough to allow the iron lung to be put aboard. This trip took them to Eureka where hours had to be spent connecting equipment to assure perfect operation of the lung in flight. The time spent paid off and all went well on the entire flight. Congratulations to the Barnicks and good luck in this new venture.

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