



THE NINETY-NINES, Inc.  
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN PILOTS

# News Letter

International Headquarters — P. O. Box 1444 — Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

AIR TERMINAL BUILDING — WILL ROGERS FIELD — May, 1959

## SEE YOU IN SPOKANE!

### President's Column

May 1, 1959

"The Jet Age has dawned like thunder!" said Mr. Curtis in his opening remarks at the World Congress of Flight. After I saw the firepower, airpower and flying demonstrations at Indian Springs Gunnery Range, I realized the real truth in this statement. The sonic booms, the rockets, sidewinders, bombs dropping, and never have I seen such perfect and beautiful formation flying! It was all so spectacular and exciting that I was almost breathless during the entire demonstration. All the speakers were excellent, the panels were informative, with stress on flight proficiency. There is no doubt that our fastest disappearing resource is air space, and the necessary changes in regulations are coming for our safety in flying. All 15 nations of NATO were represented at this first World Congress, and there was a fabulous exhibition and many interesting demonstrations of everything concerning aviation in the beautiful and very large convention hall. I was so pleased to find 31 other Ninety-Nines in attendance. For the first time, it happened to me in St. Louis! An energetic little bird built an oversized nest on the engine in my airplane while I was attending the North Central Section meeting. An amused audience watched me dig out the grass, leaves, and even some good sized pieces of rope, while I was wondering how large a blaze it would have made, had I failed to find it. The St. Louis Chapter left nothing undone in making this meeting a most enjoyable one, the weather cooperated too, and there was a very good attendance.

Because of conflicting dates, I was unable to attend the Southwest Sectional, but I am sure that they had their usual wonderful get-together in  
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### INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION PROGRAM

#### Davenport Hotel SPOKANE, WASHINGTON

July 7		Entertainment for Early Arrivals
July 8	12:00 noon	Official End of AWTAR, Felts Field, Spokane
	6:00 p.m.	Entertainment for Race Contestants and Early Convention Arrivals
July 9	9:00 a.m.	AWTAR Pilots Meeting—Hall of Doges
		Announcement of Race Results Here
	11:00 a.m.	Executive Committee Meeting (President's Suite)
	1:00 p.m.	Governors' Meeting with Executive Committee (President's Suite)
	6:00 p.m.	Cocktail Hour
	7:00 p.m.	Salmon Bake—Manito Park. Transportation provided from Hotel
July 10	8:30 a.m. - 12:00	Business Session (delegates must be registered by 8:00 a.m.)
	12:30 p.m.	Luncheon—Marie Antoinette Room
	2:00 p.m. - 5:00	Business Session
	7:00 p.m.	Champagne Party—Elizabethan Room
	8:00 p.m.	Awards and Convention Banquet—Marie Antoinette Room
July 11		Sightseeing: Grand Coulee Dam, Lake Coeur d'Alene and City Tour. Transportation to Airport for those who must leave this date.
July 12		Fly-Away Day—Transportation to Airport

### RACE TERMINUS AND CONVENTION NEWS

Western Washington Chapter of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., will be in charge of the "salmon bake" at Manito Park and will serve as hostesses for the evening. The western theme will be carried out with the program by the "Silver Spurs." This will be held on Thursday night, July 9.

Friday's luncheon will be in the hands of the Montana Chapter, and the two Idaho Chapters will chairmen the awards and convention banquet on Friday night, July 10.

On Saturday, July 11, all members will have the opportunity of choosing a sightseeing tour . . . either one of the city or a trip to Coulee Dam. We hope that many will want to remain

an extra day to enjoy some of the scenic spots of our state of Washington.

Each member of The Ninety-Nines, Inc., will receive in their mail by April 30 a letter inviting them to Spokane and the convention. We hope that many of you are already enthusiastic about our plans, and will mail us the RETURN CARD immediately. Everyone in Spokane, and all of us from the chapters here in the Northwest are eagerly awaiting July for its race terminus (13th race) and the convention, which will celebrate the 30th anniversary of The Ninety-Nines, Inc.

Betty Jane Seavey,  
Publicity Chm. for Race  
Terminus and Convention



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**The 25th Of Each Month**

**Flying Activities**

January 1, 1960, is the date for raising "control area" floors from 700 to 1500 feet above the ground. "Control zones" (immediate vicinity of airports where planes are landing and taking off) will continue to provide controlled airspace from the ground up. Visibility minimum for VFR flight in "control zones" is three miles or, with special VFR clearance, not less than one mile. "Control zone" normally has a five mile radius with

**Pilots Briefing**

Have you sent any articles, pictures or newspaper clippings to Alice Kudrna for the International Scrapbook? Let's make this year's scrapbook the biggest and best we've ever assembled.

Please, News Letter Reporters, head each page of your submitted reports with section, chapter, etc. This will keep down mix-ups in the chapter news and a big "thank you" for the double-spacing.

Do plan to attend the international convention in Spokane this July.

No News Letter in July.

The Amelia Earhart Medals make wonderful gifts for honoring outstanding chapter members and out-going officers. Order some today.

**JERRIE DOES IT AGAIN . . . . .**

The Red Carpet was rolled out for Jerrie Cobb, Oklahoma Chapter 99 and Triple World Record Holder on her return from the World Congress of Flight at Las Vegas. Jerrie now holds the world's speed record for light twin-engine aircraft, formerly held by the Russians, as well as the world's distance and altitude records, all done in an Oklahoma-built Aero Commander.

On hand to welcome Jerrie was Lt. Gov. Nigh, City Manager Sheldon Sterling, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Cobb, Ponca City, our 99 President Broneta Davis Evans, officials of Aero Design, aviation friends and other members of the 99s.

an extension along the instrument approach path.

A new "terminal control area," to allow for maneuvering outside of the takeoff and landing zone, will be set up within which visibility must be at least three miles for VFR. "Terminal control area" floor will be 700 feet above the ground. Radius of the "terminal control area" has not yet been fixed.

Then, beyond the "terminal control area," "control areas," usually along civil airways, will have a minimum 1500 foot floor. No IFR route assignments will be made below 2000

feet, providing a 500 foot separation between IFR traffic and VFR operations below the control area floor.

The FAA administrator will have power to raise the "control area" floor to levels higher than 1500 where traffic permits. Below all these "control area" floors VFR flight can be

**WANTED**

**Stenotypist** for International 99 Convention, July 9, 10, 11, 1959, Spokane, Wash. Contact Minnie Boyd, RFD No. 1, Pullman, Wash.

**Coming Events**

**June 6 - 7**

Southeastern Sectional Meeting, Panama City, Fla.

**June 11**

Sky Lady Derby

**July 1 - 8**

All Womens Transcontinental Air Race.

**July 9 - 11**

International Ninety-Nine Convention, Spokane, Wash.

**No Dates**

International Air Race, write Barbara Erickson, 5617 Riveria Dr., Coral Gables, Fla., for dates and details.



made when visibility is one mile and aircraft is clear of clouds.

REMEMBER: "Control zone" take-off and landing area, controlled airspace from the ground up. VFR visibility three miles. Special VFR clearance one mile. Radius of "control zone" is five miles with extension along instrument approach path.

"Terminal control area" maneuvering area outside take-off and landing zone 700 feet up. VFR visibility three miles radius of "terminal control area" not yet established.

"Control area" beyond "terminal control area" usually along civil airways 1500 foot floor. VFR flight below this visibility one mile and clear of clouds.

The above is for your information. When it definitely becomes effective January 1, 1960 the succeeding Flying Activities chairman will again call these matters to your attention.

Like the writer, you may have many notes on scraps of paper, magazine articles tossed here and there, crowded bookshelves (which books you never take time to read). When you want certain information the scraps, articles and books go in every direction. We've solved the problem by gathering ground school notes, informative articles, CAR changes, ad infinitum, into a small looseleaf binder. Questions on navigation, meteorology, engines, "just what is the adiabatic lapse rate?", etc., are at fingertips. It's the handiest thing. We suggest you try it. For instance, cut out the above notes on "control zones," "areas," etc. and paste it into your notebook.

Star Gazer radar service is being dropped by the Air Force because these facilities are being incorporated into SAGE.

If you own a Piper PA-24-180 (Comanche) a forthcoming directive says you must have the oil cooler line fixed by June 1. Or if your Mooney M20 or M20A is serial No. 1002 thru 1364 better look into faulty rudder hinges.

Flight Safety Foundation has recommended that FAA deny medical certificates to:

Diabetics who require insulin or other hypoglycemic treatment.

Persons with myocardial infarctions or other evidence of coronary artery disease.

Persons suffering from psychosis, severe psychoneurosis, severe personality abnormality, epilepsy, chronic alcoholism or drug addiction.

FAA will probably adopt these recommendations.

Peggy Borek,  
Flying Activities  
Chairman

## AWTAR NEWS

All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race, Lawrence, Mass., to Spokane, Wash.

ENTRIES ARE OPEN: If you have not already done so, write immediately for your copy of the rules and regulations, your application for entry and other pertinent material. Address all inquiries to:

All-Woman Transcontinental  
Air Race, Inc.  
2611 East Spring Street  
Long Beach 6, Calif.

ENTRIES WILL CLOSE on the 15th of June. Time is getting short so ACT NOW!

THE DATES:  
Impound Deadline  
(Lawrence) ..... 1700 EST July 1  
Take-Off ..... 0800 EST July 4  
Deadline to  
Finish (Spokane) .... 1200 PST July 8

THE ROUTE: 2470.75 statute miles. Lawrence, Binghamton, Youngstown, Kokomo, West Chicago, Rochester, Fargo, Bismark, Miles City, Helena, Spokane.

AWARDS: First place, \$800; second, \$600; third, \$500; fourth, \$400; fifth, \$200; trophies for pilot and co-pilot first five places. In addition, rotating trophy for first. LEG PRIZES—all legs. Cash awards for best score made by each make and/or model aircraft of which there are at least three in competition. \$50 for best score made by a crew flying their first AWTAR. \$100 Flying Magazine award for best score made by a crew whose total combined solo time is 500 hours or less. Special prizes donated by Jeppesen & Co., Airway Manual with one year revision service for first place; Jeppesen Flight Case for second place; computers, plotters and pertinent aviation booklets for special categories. (Jeppesen and Co. is also providing current navigation kits for all crews, covering the entire route.) AC Spark Plug awards: Cash awards for the first five places providing the aircraft are equipped with AC spark plugs as follows: \$300 first place; \$200 second place; \$100 third place; \$50 fourth place; \$25 fifth place. Watch this News Letter for further information.

Wilbur Zepp, president of Zep Aero, 113 Sheldon St., El Segundo, Calif., offers a 40 percent discount on any one of their model A200 series portable oxygen assemblies to any pilot who is entering the AWTAR. If you plan to fly high, plan to have oxygen aboard.

New England Section of The Ninety-Nines and the Eastern Washington Chapter, as well as all the Ninety-

Nine chapters along the route, are making great plans for your convenience in flying the race and for your pleasure. We hope you will be with us.

Betty H. Gillies,  
Chairman  
Board of Directors  
AWTAR, Inc.

## Proposed Amendments

### TO CONSTITUTION

Proposed by the New York-New Jersey Section.

Amend Article IV, Section 4, the first sentence in paragraph A to read: "Any member who shall not have paid dues thirty days after the date payable shall be dropped from membership in The Ninety-Nines, Inc."

Reason: If membership dues notices were sent by August 1, with a due date of September 1, and a grace period of 30 days, it would be possible for the roster to be mailed to the membership one month earlier, thus giving all officers and members the advantage of working a greater portion of the year with an up-dated roster.

### TO BY-LAWS

Proposed by the New York-New Jersey Section.

Amend Article V, Section 3 to read: "Members other than citizens of the United States of America and Canada shall be assessed annual dues of one-fourth the amount assessed citizens of the United State of America and Canada."

Reason: We are an international organization but do not have the great potential of international membership we could have because of the amount of dues. While \$10 according to our standards doesn't seem very high, it is extremely high in countries where the average weekly pay is so much lower than ours. As an organization we have as much or more to gain by having greater international representation. It is suggested that the initiation fee remain the same.

Proposed by the San Diego Chapter:

Amend Article V, Section 3 to read: "Members resident in, and citizens of countries other than the United States of America, and its territories, and Canada, shall pay membership dues in an amount, with due consideration for monetary fluctuations, so that, all things considered, the amount assessed will be equal in value to \$2.00 in the United States and Canada."

Reason: To make The Ninety-Nines a truly international organization and to make membership more accessible



to women pilots of foreign countries. The rate of money exchange in foreign countries prevents many women pilots from becoming Ninety-Nines because there is only a limited amount, if any, that can be sent out of their countries. We feel that if they were charged an amount that would pay postage on our publications, it would be sufficient since it is difficult for them to partake in many of our events. An inquiry from our local post office revealed the following costs: For first class mail of News Letter at approximately 13 cents, for each of ten copies or a total of \$1.30; roster approximately 23 cents for one mailing; 47 cents for miscellaneous correspondence, for a total of \$2.00 per year.

Should it be felt that the \$5.00 initiation fee should be charged for processing memberships, we suggest the chapters in the United States and Canada take turns in sponsoring memberships of foreign women pilots as chapter projects, or make donations to international headquarters for the cost of such processing.

Proposed by the Executive Committee:

Amend Article V, Section 3 to read: "Members resident in, and citizens of countries other than the United States of America and Canada shall pay membership dues consistent with the membership fee set in the United States, less the existing refund to chapter and section."

Reason: This would reduce dues for members of other countries and still retain a reasonable amount for maintaining such a member. Correspondence received from many members-at-large indicate that they desire the continuation of airmail service for their News Letters. Cost of airmail service during the past year has amounted to a little more than an average of \$7.50 per year per member. In addition to this there is the cost of printing and mailing the roster, dues notices, ballots and miscellaneous correspondence. We have numerous complaints that regular mail is slow and often lost. The Membership chairman, Laura Sellinger, has been doing considerable work towards obtaining more international members, and from the response received the members-at-large might easily double during the coming year.

## 99 Membership List

### Member-at-Large

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(Mrs. Francois Jules) Member-  
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## REINSTATEMENTS

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## President's Column

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California, and a most successful and enjoyable meeting.

Our thanks and appreciation to Claire Walters of the Los Angeles Chapter, for a lovely painting of Amelia Earhart, gift for our headquarters office.

You will find the national convention program in this issue of News Letter, circle the dates on your calendar now, and plan to be in Spokane to take part in YOUR convention. The proposed amendments to the constitution and by-laws are also included in this issue, and finally (I would like to direct your attention to the column by our Flying Activities chairman.

Watch for those bird nests!

Sincerely,

*Bronie Davis Evans*





By Anne Baddour

Just sliding into the old arm chair here, and I must say it's good to be home again. Husband Raymond and I have just returned from a trip to Europe and Russia. Yes, ma'am, I said Russia. There was a conference in Moscow about general and applied chemistry, and 19 countries of the world took part. The United States sent six delegates and Raymond was one of the six. As you can see, I have a brain-type husband and besides that, he's awfully nice, especially when he takes me with him on trips like this. We crossed the Atlantic at night in a Pan-American DC-7C. The crew was very hospitable when I visited the cockpit. The navigator and I even found a 99 friend in common from the NY-NJ Section. There weren't many people on board, so we each had a row of three seats. We took the armrests out, curled up with a pillow and blanket and had a wonderful nights sleep. Next morning, there was London. After a day in London, we flew to Paris via British European Airways. This time we went first class. Our seats were in the rear of the plane, and our lunch consisted of all the champagne we could drink, plus five courses of delectable food, elegantly served. After a day in Paris, we had a six-hour non-stop flight on Air France to Moscow. Air France was also very hospitable and invited me up to the cockpit where I met all the crew members. It is a very serious business flying into the Soviet Union. Every crew member was on the alert and tending 100 percent to his job. Particularly the navigator, he didn't even look up from his deck to say hello. Every position point is checked and rechecked. The Moscow airport is large, well constructed and maintained. The terminal buildings is adequate, but from the viewpoint of a westerner, has much to be desired. It could be compared with an old American bus station. It is clean but cheerless. The people in it, as we found everywhere we went in Russia, have very serious faces. A smile is a rare thing. The only decoration on the walls is a large map of the Aeroflot route system. Aeroflot being the Russian airline. There is only one Russian airline, of course. We were in Russia for about two weeks, seeing Moscow and Leningrad.

From Russia we flew via Fin Air to Helsinki. When we arrived inside the airport, we were struck by the terrific difference in the atmosphere be-

tween the Moscow and Helsinki airports. Perhaps it was just being back in the free world again, but we really felt much easier. From Helsinki, we went to Copenhagen, remained there for a day and a half, then on to Paris and stayed in that beautiful city for three days. Then London and home again via Pan-American. It was really a wonderful trip, but I think the best part was coming home again and fully realizing in what a wonderful country we live.



By "AJ" Starr

Our TV star, Selma Cronan, baffled the panel (consisting of Kitty Carlisle, Polly Bergen, Tom Poston and Ralph Bellamy) on "To Tell The Truth" last April 7. The panel tried to guess which of three women was an air route controller from Boston International and Selma's glib answers got all the votes. She won \$1,000 to split three ways—anyone any suggestions as to how she should spend it? The monthly meeting was held the same evening at Ferdi's Restaurant and Selma got to the meeting in time to view the program on tape. Then everybody got busy helping to compile the lists for invitations to our panel next month at the Wings Club.

The Mid-Eastern Sectional was attended by Barbara Evans, Arax Simsarian, Kay Brick and Selma Cronan on April 18. They drove down to the Philadelphia International Airport and enjoyed a good dinner and good fellowship with the other 99's present. A Convair hospital ship with all the latest portable equipment was there for them to inspect.

Some more winter vacation notes: Marion Lopez flew down to the sixth annual Azalea Festival fly-in in Norfolk, Va., last Saturday. Doris and Henry Renninger had fun flying around Florida in their Tri-Pacer. Kay and Bunny Brick returned to New Jersey from Florida to be met by a snow storm. Dorothy Julich ferried a Tri-Pacer to Florida.

June 13 is the date to remember for our indoor-outdoor party to be held at the home of the Cronan's in Leonia, N. J.



EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

By Louise Sacchi

On April 18 the Spring Sectional was held at Philadelphia International Airport. The weather cooperated and

attendance was about 35 members. Four girls came down from New York Chapter, and they also came from Lancaster, Harrisburg, Washington, all points between. We were especially glad to see Ann Piggott, who came from Lock Haven and won 10 gallons of gas for coming the greatest distance. She is planning to do some instructing and is working on the instructor rating.

The group started arriving about 10:00 and when all were assembled, toured an air evacuation ship from McGuire, the control tower and radar room at the airport, had a very good lunch, complete with cocktails in the airport dining room, and then a short business meeting to discuss the 1960 TAR (more about that next time).

Everybody was supplied with a balloon and the girl who first blew it up to bursting won a Pan Am flight bag. Barbara Evans from N. Y. proved to have the greatest lung power and won this prize.

It seemed to be a very successful sectional, since everybody had a good time with no weather problems.

Jane Morris returned from Florida more in love than ever with her Cessna 175, after trying its wings on the first really long trip.

Nancy Diemand has just moved from her Cessna 172, which has done yeoman duty, into a 175, and of course is thrilled.

Jean Rutledge and her 49½er have gone to Van Nuys, Calif., to live due to RCA moving out there. When we hear from her, will pass on the address so the California girls can find her. She is a good addition to any chapter, and we miss her.

#### WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER

By Virginia Thompson

To start our news reporting this month, let's fly out to the West Coast, San Diego, Calif., to be exact. Here we learn that Fran Nolde, in conjunction with the air coordinating committee, has been busy developing a program for the 12th assembly of the Annual International Civil Aviation Organization. The San Diego Chapter under the direction of Marian Carver Jackson, is lending invaluable assistance. Gertrude Lockwood has accepted chairmanship of a group to develop an interesting program for the wives of the members.

Let us now move eastward to Las Vegas, Nev., where we find Fran attending the World Congress of Flight. She reported seeing many 99-ers here, a highlight of the trip.

Once again, we are in ye ole home town. Dorothy Mitchell, our Chairman, met with the Civil Defense chief for the state of Virginia and five other officials to review the mock Civil Defense test last week in Falls Church, Arlington, Fairfax and Alexandria. It was excellent training for



all involved and showed the problems yet to be solved.

Doty Powers, working with the Civil Air Patrol air education section of National Capitol Wing, met with the board of education for northern Virginia to try to promote air education in our high schools. Let us hope that she and the others succeed since our future in the air rests with the young of today.

We are glad to learn that "Mitzie" Moore is out of the hospital and doing nicely. Her advice—beware of tripping over a sweeper cord while descending a flight of stairs—and some say aviation isn't safe.

Our busy beaver, Ada Mitchell, is up to her ears in ceramics these days. In fact, you will find reminders of her handiwork in every nook and cranny in her apartment. This enthusiasm she is now passing on to a class of 28 students she is teaching in her spare time.

As you know, air minded people soon get itchy feet to move around. So, here we go again. Monday, it is off on a preliminary trip over the "49'er Skyway" to Miami, Fla., for Blanche Noyes. As all of you probably know by now, this skyway runs from Miami to Fairbanks, Alaska, and plans are being made for the big "49'er Skyway Cruise" leaving Miami on June 19th. Are you all set to make this interesting and adventurous hop?



#### **SOUTH FLORIDA CHAPTER**

By Vera Bratz

Another meeting date rolled around before the last one seemed over and again it was a very pleasant affair. Irma Price had the 99's and some of better halves, the 49½ers for a delicious chicken fry. The early part of the day was rainy and we were all worried about the outside event that evening but, as usual the weatherman cooperated with us and the time of the meeting came bright and clear and cool. We all know Irma's reputation for a wonderful meal planner so we had a large number at the meeting again. The chicken was friend to a delicious golden brown and the potato salad did justice to the cook and the chicken. We asked Irma for the recipe for the lime pie and she said it is the usual one only you don't do this and you don't do that as the recipe calls for you mix this etc., etc., so if we want another piece of the pie we'll have to call on Irma for it.

Among the usual members who showed up for most of the meetings

were some guests and non-members who are sincerely interested in the 99's and flying in general. Betty Cull put her name on the regular mailing list and Ann Fruehauf was another guest we are always delighted to have attend the meeting when she is in town.

Naturally some of the meeting was spent discussing the new tower being erected at Tamiami—one that is badly needed and a little late to prevent a bad accident. Till other facilities are designed we are told the Richmond blimp base will be used for landings and takeoffs for student flying. This may save the lives of some of the people using Tamiami—not that the students aren't careful but the airport just has outgrown the town's aviation minded citizens and visitors.

Again — an invitation to visiting members to attend our meetings when you are in town—the third Monday evening of each month at about 7:30. If you are here for several months let me know and I will send notice of the meeting places. We are always glad to have you.

There is an advantage to being in Florida, we get to see so many of the gals from other chapters, to wit: Helen Wetherill, on her way to Jamaica; Nita Feinman, on a visit; Alma Harwood, trying to rest from the rigors of a new York winter; and Jane Morris of Philadelphia. Louise Kidd had a nice party for Jane one Sunday evening, and we are looking forward to another visit from Blanche Noyes.

April meeting was a barbecue feast at Irma Price's and we ate and ate and ate and naturally did a little talking. Betty Cull, of the Indiana Chapter, now living in Florida, attended and we hope to have her as a transfer. Verna Burke was honor guest at a party given by her boss to celebrate her 10,000th hour! Quite a feast.

Joan Merliam is in Panama City, Fla., flying executive aircraft and having a wonderful time.

We are having perfect weather so why don't some of you plan a flying vacation and join us on the third Monday of each month.

#### **TENNESSEE CHAPTER**

By Evelyn Bryan

Was delighted to see Sarah Duke receive national recognition for her work as Southeastern Region Information Services officer for Civil Air Patrol. Sarah has worked hard and deserves every commendation awarded her.

Sarah Duke and Georgianna McConnell attended the Southeastern Regional conference of CAP held in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., on April 16, 17, 18 and 19. As this is being written they are down there so a report on the conference will have to come along next time. Sure envy them down

there on the beach. Both Sarah and Georgianna hold region offices. We are proud of their work in CAP.

Edna Gardner Whyte of Fort Worth 99's was a business visitor in Nashville recently. Georgianna McConnell, who lives in Nashville, says she and Edna had an evening together which turned out to be a lot of fun and their Sunday night "supper club" from the airport all really enjoyed being with Edna.

Constance Ohlinger was a recent visitor to Nashville also. She dropped by Georgianna's office and chatted for a while. Constance says she is enjoying Maine and is looking forward to doing a lot of fling up there this spring.

Our Chairman, Mary Jane Quarles, has won three trophies and three money prizes in her bowling activities and competition this spring. Mary Jane is going to have a house full of trophies if she keeps that up, for she has been doing the same thing year after year.

This reporter has made a couple of charter trips of late. One to Memphis flying a 180 Comanche and one to Columbia, S. C., flying my own Tri-Pacer.

The Tennessee Chapter is finally getting around to planning a spring meeting. The first Sunday in May we will meet in Chattanooga, at the airport, at 11 a.m. If any Ninty-Nines happen to be in the area we would love to have them attend.



#### **WISCONSIN CHAPTER**

By Justine Mills

Wisconsin Chapter's April meeting was held at Mitchell Field. Present were Dottie Faust, Dora Fritzke, Deedo Heise, Jean Molholt, Bernie Voelker, and Justine Mills.

Bernie came as a "lady" via North Central from Madison, new bonnet and all, with her transistor radio (for the Braves game) in her purse. The purse weighed in at the airline at 4½ pounds.

Note absent members: You've been missing some mighty exciting and interesting meetings and prizes! Last month Ruth Lembke showed us excellent slides from her around the world trip. This month beautiful silver pins from Castillo's shop in Taxco were presented to those present by hostess, Deedo Heise.

Membership chairman, Judy Olson, has been busy. We've obtained four new and interesting members and have two prospective ones. Mary Landis, a recent 99, is working on her A&E license.



Bernie Voelker has been instrumental in starting some Rockford gal pilots on their way to the 99 roster. Nice work. Best wishes to the Rockford group.

Watch for the blue and white 99 matts coming soon—our new project.

### MICHIGAN CHAPTER

By Elsie Ferich

Jeannette Sovereign hosted the April meeting at the Tri-City Airport. She not only ordered a wonderful brunch, but also that "special" kind of weather that gave us practically 100 percent fly-in.

The girls were still talking about the helicopter rides Janey gave everybody at the March meeting in Jackson, and we all send our thanks again.

In a month's time many things can happen to 99's: Velma Del Giorgno and her 49½er were just back from a visit to the Carribean which included



Dropping down for "brunch", left to right, Marjorie Sanders, Elsie Ferich and pilot Janey Hart.

such places as Haiti, Puerto Rico, St. Thomas, just to mention a few. Quite a few of the girls sought early sunshine in Florida while waiting for Michigan to catch up: Margaret Windfuhr, Sammy McKay, Olivia Bell, Fran Meyers, and Janey Hart.

Bette Crook and her husband went a bit farther from a tropical paradise—they flew to Hawaii. Wish we could all say "aloha" from the states here and join her. I'll get all the data from her when she returns and pass it on to you, so we can reflect on the outer circle, the gentle breezes, splashing surf, tropical moonlight and music.

Pat Russell, our Chapter Chairman, is like a Sabre Jet across our country. She reported she had flown over 10,000 miles (airlines) in the previous two and one-half weeks, but she was

there to conduct the business meeting. She had to leave early however, and as she turned the balance of the meeting over to our Vice Chairman Jean Reynolds, I caught the last of the "prop wash", Pat and her 49½er were flying to Europe the next week. I heard mention of England, Scotland, and Switzerland, and then she was gone. I'll sharpen up my pencil, for I should have much to report to you after the next meeting.

### INDIANA CHAPTER

By Ethel Knuth

ATTENTION ALL 99's! Kokomo is really getting ready for your visit! This is a MUST STOP for all AWTAR contestants and certainly you could not hope for better cooperation than our local chapter promises. The Kokomo Chamber of Commerce, the airport owners and management, the ham radio operators, the local Checker Cab agency, are all on the alert, have not overlooked a thing to make this a pleasant occasion for all. We drove through pouring rain for our April meeting with these friendly people and found them fired with enthusiasm. Attendance was good—we had two prospective members present—Alma Hartman of Kokomo and Jerilyn Darlington of Anderson—both are licensed pilots. We welcome Betty Archibald, formerly from Chicago Area, and now transferred to our chapter. (Tower duties prevented Betty from attending at Kokomo.) We have a new coordinator for the Kokomo details, Flora Mae Newman moved to Florida and Jane Ackors has graciously consented to take over.

Weather prevented Deedo Heise and Lois Cassidy from going "straight home" on the flight from North Carolina. Tannie Schlundt, Delia Sanders, Mildred Hurt, Sophia Payton, Rae Cawdell, Mid Cassidy and Barry Smith "rallied round" and all enjoyed dinner at the Hotel Continental in downtown Indianapolis. Nice opportunity to get better acquainted for all of them.

Sophia Payton and 49½er, Neal, are off to Florida on a 170 vacation, while Mildred and 49½er Col. Hurt are flying their 170 down to Washington, D. C. to visit daughter Doris. Nellie Jackson and 49½er Bill have just returned from Washington. Delia Sanders and Peggy Coulter are packing right now to go to the sectional in St. Louis.

Tannie Schlundt and 49½er Paul flew a Twin-Beech to Jamacia (Montega Bay) and Tannie had an opportunity to be co-pilot. Lucky girl! The trip was thrilling, and the week on the island was delightful. Tannie's enthusiasm for Jamacia knows no bounds—exquisite flowers, heavenly blue water, fresh, clean, wholesome atmosphere, and with the stars so

bright at night she is certain they have been polished.

There are 14 chapter members this reporter would like to hear from—please let us know how YOU are doing. We write you every month.

Our May meeting will be a flight from Muncie to Monticello on May 17. However, at that time your reporter and 49½er Rusty should be (weather permitting) almost to Sky Harbor Airport at Phoenix for vacation.

### GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

By Elaine Morris

Our regular meeting was held April 3 at the home of our Chairman, Katherine Peck. Those attending were Marjory Farrell, Joan Cayot, Mary Ruth Dietrich, Sarah Gorlick, Betty Siggs, Dee Southard, Ruth Stafford, Lucia Jolliff and yours truly. Katherine delighted us with dinner of (American version) Mexican tacos. The number consumed by myself alone indicated the enjoyment we shared of this delicious food. A business meeting was held and spring activities discussed. I do not know who suggested it but the idea of a "garage sale" came up and for the sake of our bank account we made plans to try one April 18. Our day started out cool, sunny and beautiful, but by noon clouds and rain descended upon us. Although we were chilled to the bone by the weather we were warmed and thrilled by the success of our sale. It is a good way to clean house and have a lot of fun.

### ALL-OHIO CHAPTER

By Mary J. Fescer

It's certainly difficult to find Arlene Davis at home these days. She recently returned from her second flight to Paris as U. S. delegate to FAI's technical commissions. The National Aeronautics Ass'n, which represents FAI in the United States, sent Arlene, its national secretary, as its delegate for the FAI economical-technical air touring commission, which considered restrictions on air space utilization. She traveled via military aircraft, departing from Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, D. C. Arlene received the red carpet, VIP treatment, staff car and the works. She was the only U. S. delegate besides Jackie Cochran, who is president of FAI. By the time this issue goes to press, Arlene will be taking off again via MATS from Andrews Air Force Base, on her way to the FAI international conference in Moscow, the only fem U. S. delegate. The air transport will make a stop at Tempelhof Airport in West Berlin, where the delegation will take on a Russian aviator-navigator, and will arrive in Moscow on May 24.

At the present, Arlene is attend-



ing the World Congress of Flight as executive member of the Space Education Foundation. Arlene's manifold aviation interests have characterized her activity in spurring awareness of the need for aviation education. She was instrumental in bringing about the Wing Scout movement within the Senior Girl Scout organization; in fact, she was one of the consultants who assisted in formulating the rules requirements and qualifications of Wing Scouts as set forth in the original Wing Scout Manual.

Marion Betzler, All-Ohio Vice Chairman, presided at the March meeting at Urbana, in the absence of Chairman Edythe Maxim, who with 49½er John, was frolicking on the beach sands of Florida. Janice Kuechenmeister, our corresponding secretary, wrote your reporter that everyone drove because the winds were terrific (80 mile velocity, as a fact). It is amusing for pilots to speak about being deterred on the ground by winds while within the safety of their cars on the ground, but this Sunday the wind was so rambunctious that it knocked a man to death off his second floor porch in Cleveland.

Others who attended were Rosalie Bracht, Edna Calbeck and 49½er, Marilyn Collette, Margaret Hammon, Mary Scheafer, Virginia Schumacher and her daughter Martha, Jim Foley and daughter Susan, Lavina Stolte and guest Kate Kohler. Joan Hrubec flew in via United from Chicago where she attended the Chicago Area Flying Achievement Award banquet.

The discussion revolved mainly about revising the point system for the Ohio Achievement Award and who was planning to enter the races this year. So far, Marion, Joan, Marilyn, and Marge are eyeing the future with race intentions.

**FLITTINGS HITHER AND YON:** Virginia Schumacher writes, "As near as I know, Marilyn and Mary Schaefer will Ercoupe to the St. Louis Sectional; Joan Hrubec and Rosalie Bracht will Tri-Pace; Martha Walter and I will airplane from Dayton; Ione Kiplinger will fly from Toledo; and Helen Weidwald plans to go. Marilyn, Mary, Martha and I have reserved a suite with a living room, and we're planning another 'party.'" Martha, Jim and baby Susan Foley are planning a plane trip in their 170 to Alaskan parts. Just before Lent, they planed their 170 to New Orleans for the pre-Mardi Gras activities. I couldn't help chuckling over Dottie Anderson's note, in which she says, "My time on Sundays is so limited that I just can't get to the meetings if they are far away. For example—the Cleveland meeting—my boss told me I could go if I went on my lunch hour!" How's that for a boss? Of course, Dottie has been practically

living at Bluffton Airport, fighting the weatherman for enough good days to get her students some flying time. Besides, she also managed to get her instrument rating and was hoping to get her instrument instructor's rating in March. Virginia Schumacher, Mary Scheafer, Marilyn Collette, and Mary Fecser are now sporting Ohio State license plates with number "99". The Arlene Davis Wing Scout Troop (original, 1946) was entertained by Arlene recently, at a brunch, at which time they received their wings. The troop's leader is Mrs. Gertrude Maxim, sister-in-law of our Chairman, Edythe Maxim. Joan Hrubec's Claude King Wing Scouts were presented their wings during special program activities at the National Model Airplane Exposition at Higbee's Department Store auditorium, also in March.

### CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

By June Basile

Now that the unusually severe Chicago winter is over, we hope, and the robins have come back, the Chicago Area Ninety-Nines are taking to the air again. We had a chance to say a fast hello to Deedo Heise when she stopped at DuPage to pick up Lois Cassidy. They were on their way to the executive board meeting at High Point, N. C. Nell Brown came out for a demonstration ride in a new 150. She's having trouble deciding between the new 150 and a new Ercoupe. Alice Kudrna flew in from Midway to pick up her safety pilot, my 49½er Tony, for some nuder the hood time. Eva White stopped to have a cup of coffee with us when she came back from giving a first airplane ride to a very air-minded teenager. After being grounded for five months by work and weather, Mary Beritich celebrated the coming of the robins by getting back into the air again. She said that she knew she missed flying, but she didn't know how much. Dorothy Vachout and family spent Easter vacation in New Orleans and Monterrey, Mexico. They fell in love with the climate in Mexico. When the Nita Fineman family was in Miami, they went sightseeing the modern way—in a helicopter. Nita says that she thinks the pilot could sense her desire to get at the controls and he very obligingly allowed her to move the control stick. A quote from Nita, "Such sensitivity, which explains how 'copters can accomplish miracles."

The balmy spring weather may be good for flying, but it is also good for aviation work-time. Busy Marge Raglin is working with the McHenry County Aero Club to establish several new airmarkers in the area. They plan to do five in the next few weeks. Our new cross-country students will be happy to hear this. Louise Kokesh and I decided to surprise our 49½ers and gave up a beautiful flying Satur-

day to wash and wax their 172—our 175 was on our list for the following Saturday. I guess we grunted and groaned so much the next couple of days, our 49½ers decided to surprise us, they had the field wash the 175 during the week. Needless to say, we think their surprise was better. If you see Lois and Ed Miller sitting at their kitchen table at 4 a.m., they are not entertaining. They're all involved in building their own swept-wing Tailwind.



### MIDLAND CHAPTER

By Joy Butts

For somewhere close to a year we have been locating women pilots in the Midland area who are qualified for membership in the Ninety-Nines and student pilots who are interested. To date, we boast eleven licensed pilots and some fifteen students.

On Saturday afternoon, April 4, an organizational meeting was held in the newly decorated clubroom at the Midland Airpark. The chapter has been given the use of a room at Midland Airpark by West Texas Flying Service for the purpose of establishing an area headquarters. This room has been redecorated, the girls have donated whatever furniture they had available, and we had a huge bulletin board made. It turned out beautifully and we would like to extend an invitation to all to drop by any time you might be in the area. We would love to have you and to hear from you.

At the meeting on April 4, the major business at hand was the election of officers. Our new officers for 1959 are Chairman, Velma Lee Copeland of Midland; Vice-Chairman, Netta Adcock of Lamesa; Secretary-Treasurer, Pat Schneider of Midland; Membership Chairman, Bettie Powell of Pecos; and Reporter-Publicity Chairman, Joy Butts of Midland. Our regular meeting date has been set on the first Saturday of each month.

Being West Texans, we are not always impressed by vast areas, however, we must say we do have pilots from a number of miles away. Our membership includes Netta Adcock of Lamesa, Ann Bynum of Big Spring, Pat Barbee of Ozona, Ordith Cutts of Eagle Pass, Dorothy McMichaels of Del Rio, Bettie Powell of Pecos, Nancy Brumlow of Kermit, and Velma Lee Copeland, Joy Butts, Pat Schnei-



der, and Lora Lee Canter, all of Midland.

#### **GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER** **By Maxine Loeffler**

Our hostesses for our April meeting, Adel Schaar and Hilda Hemmermeier, had arranged a most interesting program. We toured the studios of Television Station KETC located on the campus of Washington University. We were fortunate in being able to view the program presented by the Civil Defense called "Survival." Mr. August Benson, who, by the way, is one Del's student pilots, conducted the tour and showed us a movie — "The Air Force Story." After a short business meeting Del and Hilda served a delicious luncheon of sandwiches, cake, and coffee.

Loreta Slavick has just returned from Las Vegas where she attended the World Congress of Flight.

Evelyn Neise is vacationing in Florida.

We are sorry to report June Evers in the hospital and sincerely hope it won't be long before she is up and flying her Cessna once again.

Fran. Merrill is flying around the skys these days in her own brand new green and white Tripacer.

#### **OKLAHOMA CHAPTER** **By Sally Broyles**

We had a very nice group out for our April meeting at Catlin hanger on Will Rogers airport in Oklahoma City. Our International President, Broneta, told us about her trip to Las Vegas and the World Conference of Flight and from her descriptions, that must have been quite a meeting. She told us that at the last count there were some thirty one Ninety ones there for the World Congress of Flight so it seems we were very well represented. The main item of business discussed at our meeting was the Spring sectional meeting in Omaha and it seems that quite a few from our chapter are planning to attend. It really sounds like an interesting few days in Omaha.

All of us are certainly proud of Jerrie Cobb. Her breaking of the speed record on her flight out of Las Vegas was surely an accomplishment! Understand she now holds the world's record for altitude, distance, and speed! Pray tell what other records are there to hold? Many congratulations Jerrie.

We are also very proud of Arlene Walkup, who was just crowned Queen of the Oklahoma Flying Farmers recently at the region 8 meeting of the Flying Farmers in Tulsa. Marie Ketchum, Broneta Evans, and Velma Woodward were also in attendance at the Tulsa Flying Farmer meeting

and Billy Tune was re-elected president of the Oklahoma Flying Farmers.

Emily Frost is very excited over her forthcoming trip to Baltimore. She will be there about a month for some special training for her job. We will miss having Emily in this area, but are happy she is getting such a nice trip.

There has been quite a bit of flying activity lately. The two state Universities had a practice air meet in Stillwater and the gals from both Oklahoma University and Oklahoma State Univ. really made a good showing placing high in all events. Those competing included Gene Nora Stumbough, Donna Shirley, and Carol Conley from Okla. Univ. and Mary Wallace Funk from Okla. State Univ.

#### **HOUSTON CHAPTER** **By Alice Seaborn**

Our chapter had a fly-in to Beaumont to meet and spread the word to some prospective 99's there. The whole thing started with Mr. A. G. Vanaman of Van Air Flying Service. He contacted Marcelline Todd on behalf of some of his women student pilots and the licensed women pilots in that area. They want to be 99's and start their own chapter there and we gave them advise, encouragement, and the benefit of our experience in organizing a chapter.

Those attending from Houston were Joyce Brooks, Marcelline Todd, Frances Castleberry, Virginia Williams, and Alice Seaborn. Merle Boitnott tried to make it but her strip was too muddy for takeoff. Then she went to Conroe to ho pa ride but — woe again — the starter burned out.

The girls we met were Elaine Eitel, Katherine Fredericksen, Betty Richards, and Vera Ford. We had a nice visit, lunch, and flight.

Incidentally, I checked out in the 150 and made the flight in it. LOVE that plane!

#### **DALLAS CHAPTER** **By Pat Jetton**

The Dallas Chapter started April off with a bang and flew to San Antonio to attend the Texas Chapters meeting April 5th. Flying down in Mildred Bishops Pink Tri-Pacer were Mildred, Virginia Holmes and Pat Jetton. In a Cessna 172 were Jerry Sloan, pilot, Dorothy Warren, new member Joyce Wright and prospective member Luciene Moore. A wonderful time was had by all and we are looking forward to another such meeting soon.

Eleven of our members have been attending an instrument ground school which Dal-Tex Aviation offer-

ed. Jerry Sloan and Dorothy Warren have been supplementing their ground schooling with flight lessons. By the time this newsletter comes out Martha Robinson will be deep in maps planning the route to California which the family is going to make in their Bonanza in June. Joan Huckeba has been doing some nite flying in her Ercoupe and loving it. Mildred Bishop has put in an order for the Doynn wheel pants for her Tri-Pacer and now is anxiously awaiting them.

Mary Gauss has been putting in quite a bit of time renovating a boat which she and Gene have.

Dorothy will open an office for Precision Flight Navigation at Dal-Tex Aviation at Addison Airport the first of May. Anyone having some extra time in the Dallas area will benefit from putting in some time in one of Dorothy's Links.

Joyce Wright recently made a cross country and ran into some rain (her first) She called the nearest radio station and asked if it were better ahead of her or should she turn around. The station called her back and told her "no, there's no rain where you are." That's all right Joyce, we've all been THERE.

#### **EL PASO CHAPTER** **By Evelyn Wasser**

In line with a report of the news for this month was the item that Ruth Deerman had flown to Chickasha where she met Broneta Davis Evans and together went on to spend two and a half days at the Executive Board meeting in High Point. Ruth incidentally was elected Vice President of the El Paso Airplane Owners' Association and doing an excellent job. She was the co-hostess at a Fly-In breakfast last Sunday at the Rex Kipp ranch. Such a sumptuous meal with steak and beans and all the fixings. I felt sorry for all the 99's who were invited and didn't attend. Winds got up to 35 miles an hour by the time we had gotten back to El Paso. The ranch was about 15 miles west of Lordsburg and with the winds aloft everyone made it back in half the time it took to get there.

We want to welcome our new member, Jean Nicholas to our chapter. Also congratulations to the new Marfa and Midland chapters. We all enjoyed meeting the girls when we flew as a group to Marfa a couple of months ago and look forward to getting together more and more often.

A hectic time trying to keep up with Ruby Tatman who is in and out of their ranch every other day.

Was a good meeting last Saturday at Ann Duthie's house. Ann as usual



the gracious hostess and everyone enjoying her hospitality and the informal manner in which the meeting was conducted with our good Chairman Juanita Burdick looking so crisp in a new spring suit.

Isn't it a shame that all the juicy news cannot be printed. When a news reporter is scratching for an article we can think of pages of little stories that just would not be in good taste.

### COLORADO CHAPTER

By Peg Ong

Again our gracious chairman entertained us April 3 . . . thanks much for your hospitality, Helen! Those present and accounted for besides the hostess were Mary Wenholz, Mary Frenzel, Peg Ong, Jane Nettleblad, Donna Myers, Grace Mayfield, and our brand-new member Emily Hanrahan. Our guest for the evening was Joyce Lyons, whose husband is Cessna salesman. She obtained her private last Jan. and knows some of our gals through the Flying Farmer activities. The chairman reminded us of the sectional in Omaha and the World Congress of Flight in Vegas as well as giving one and all an invite to the Kansas Chapter Fly-In luncheon in Rexford, Kansas. We all put the delicious refreshments to good use!

As it has now turned out none of the gals were able to make the Kansas get-together due to weather . . . hope we'll get a rain (or was it snow?) check for another "doins" sometime soon! Jo Dennis and yours truly were fortunate enough to get to take a couple of Fornaires over the hills to Las Vegas . . . and what a show that was! We tried to see it all on one day which was simply impossible but we did our best. Jo called several of the Vegas gals but we were too bushed to actually get to meet them in person. We were lucky enough to be there the day of the flight demos of the "Bog Boys" . . . DC-8 . . . Convair 880 . . . British Comet . . . Fairchild etc., etc. The climax of the show was a small twin accidentally coming in gear up and apparently the tower caught it just an inch 'er so off the runway! We brought back the new Fornaire demonstrator that's equipped with rudders . . . they're now optional at no extra cost. As we were nearing Laramie, Jo heard a plane call in and recognized the numbers as those of her 195. After double checking with Laramie radio, the fact was verified so we landed and she flew back to Denver in her own plane . . . it's a small world!

### FT. WORTH CHAPTER

By Frances Pyland

Mary Kahan, Verna Stubbs and Frances Pyland recently flew to San Antonio to attend a luncheon given by the San Antonio Chapter. We had as our guests two prospective members for our group. We express our thanks to the San Antonio Chapter for a very lovely time.

Belle Hetzel, former president of the Ninety-Nines was recently a guest in the home of Dora Dougherty. Belle was on her way to Las Vegas to attend the World Congress on Flight. Open house was attended in her honor by members of the Ft. Worth Chapter.

Last Saturday Mary Kahas made a talk, "Women In Aviation" at the Woman's Club. She spoke to a group known as "American Association of University Women."

### TIP OF TEXAS CHAPTER

Valley — Corpus Christi

Here come the rain and clouds, there goes the airmarking. We've been packing and unpacking our bags for the entire season and could hardly get a paint brush wet before the clouds let loose with heavenly showers.

Easter holidays were no exception. Wing Scouts and Pauline Glasson jaunted hopefully off on a long trip with paint cans full hoping to paint the towns yellow and black, but returned with only one new town to their credit. A miserable end to a merry start.

The April 4th rummage sale in McAllen was, we trust, a happy prelude to greater things. We had four Spanish-speaking gals in our midst, Ada Toland, Ardath McCreery, Patti Bird and Sally Sullivan, all terrific traders and sellers.

Ardath, Merle, Veda and Louise in a 172 and Pauline, Sally and two Wing Scouts in a 175 flew to San Antonio, as guests of the San Antonio Ninety-Nines on April 5th, met by many other Ninety-Nines from all over the State gathering together for one happy time of gab and "togetherness." It was great!

Oh yes, Veda and Pauline, all by their little lonesome, airmarked Aransas Pass between rains. How sweet of the weatherman.

For you dare-devil pilots flying through thunder-heads, tornadoes and what-nots, here's a happy thought:

### MISSOURI VALLEY CHAPTER

By Bettie King

Missouri Valley Chapter of 99's met at Hayden House, Municipal Airport in Omaha, Nebr., on Sunday, April 5. Plans for the South Central Sectional meeting were discussed. The Section-

al will be held May 1, 2 and 3 at the Sheraton-Fontenelle Hotel in Omaha. Highlight of the weekend convention will be a two hour tour of Offutt Air Base, near Omaha. The sectional business meeting will be held Saturday morning with luncheon in the hotel at 11:30 and the tour group leaving from the Hotel promptly at 1 p.m. for SAC.

The sectional banquet and cocktail party will be held at 6:30 p.m. Saturday evening in the Mirror Room of the Sheraton-Fontenelle. Cards are being mailed to all members in the Section for the Hotel reservations. See you all at the Sectional in May.

Attending the meeting were Janie Bay, Laura Russell, Helen Nestle and Sandra Schepers, all of Omaha; Helen and Roy Simmons of Abilene, Kans.; Rosemary and Howard Phelps of Ralston; Pauline Hawks of Bruning; Barbara Anspaugh of Lincoln and Bettie King of Essex, Ia., and guest Karen Scheppers of Fairmont. Bettie King was hostess to the dinner meeting.

At this meeting registration fee for the convention was decided upon and tickets for the banquet were given to the members to sell to outsiders interested in aviation.

It was decided to hold a special meeting at Hayden House in Omaha on Sunday, April 26, to make the final plans for the spring sectional and to all details and tour plans completed.

### ABILENE CHAPTER

By June Renny

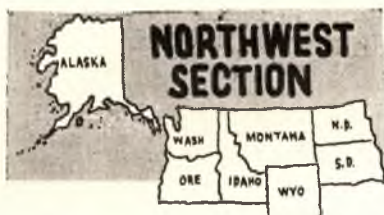
A get-together of all Texas Chapters was held on April 5th at San Antonio. The girls enjoyed luncheon and meeting old and new friends at the San Antonio airport. There were about forty girls attending with three from the Abilene Chapter, Patty Taliaferro, Marylynn Schulz, and Ann Nell Hooks.

On April 21st seven members in three planes flew to Weatherford, Texas, which is near Dallas where they toured the beautiful Chandler gardens. These gardens were begun in 1936 by Mr. Chandler. Mr. Chandler had been an English artist, perhaps best known for his portrait of Winston Churchill. He came to the U. S., met and married a Texas girl and went to live near her home. Being impressed with the vast barrenness of that part of Texas, he devoted the rest of his life to creating seven acres of loveliness. If Ruby Caldwell had married anyone but James this chapter would have certainly missed a great deal of enjoyment as he seems to have a charming relative in just about every town in Texas who



shows hospitable interest in our club. In this instance it was Mrs. Bloom, who hosted the girls to luncheon at the Live Oaks Country Club.

Mozelle Scarborough, along with her husband Davis and friends Bill and Betsy Fulwiler climbed aboard their Apache March 1st for three fun weeks. They flew to Brownsville where they crossed into Mexico at Matamoras then on down the east coast to Tampico, era Cruze, Minetland, Ixatapac, and Tehuantepec where they crossed the isthmus and headed north along the west coast. Their next stop was to be Acapulco, but some well-wishing traveler suggested they stop first at Zihualamijo . . . don't bother to look for it on the map. They stopped and it was beautiful, but Mozelle suggests you skip this place unless you are a real lover of the primitive way of life. The next day they were off to Acapulco where they stayed for six glorious days and Mozelle took time to drop our group a card saying she had found a delightful place for this chapter to go to lunch . . . just roughly some 2,000 miles . . . we should start flying jets. They continued up the coast to Mazatlan where Betsy landed a hundred and fifty-four pound marlin. Then on to Guaymas and re-entered the U. S. at Nogales. Upon checking their reserve they realized they had miscalculated and had money left so they decided to leave it in Las Vegas. The entire trip went smoothly and without mishap of any sort. Before starting they had written to AOPA of their flight plan and OAPA gave advance notice of their intended stops so they had absolutely no trouble upon entering and exiting. They found the people very hospitable and co-operative all along the way.



#### IDAHO CHAPTER

By Lucille T. Taylor

The March business meeting was held in the home of Varian Kimbro, one of our prospective members. Results of our annual dance were disclosed and everyone was pleased with the financial return as well as the many nice comments by the public.

Our April meeting was held on April 5 at the municipal airport in Twin Falls jointly with the Eastern Idaho chapter. This meeting was a fly-in breakfast along with the business planning for the convention

awards banquet. We were happy to see the five planes of girls attending, and the Idaho chapter was especially happy to meet Virginia Huidekoper from Wilson, Wyoming. Virginia Crain, a student pilot from Homedale also attended this meeting and we are happy that Virginia is planning to have her license and become a 99 by Spokane convention time.

Doris Atkinson has been released from the hospital and has announced her forthcoming marriage to Wilbur Helsley, pilot of the Bunker Hill Mining Company 310; their home will be in Kellogg, Idaho. We will all miss Doris who has always participated to the fullest in all 99 activities.

On April 18 and 19 the Bradley field held their annual air fair. The 99's were again asked to participate in the "bomb drop" (two lb. flour sacks) and the spot landing contest. There were seven planes in the Saturday event, and eight on Sunday. Congratulations to winners Joyce Morcom, Laura Conner, Edna Hettlinger, Doris Atkinson, Millie Shinn, Georgia Martin, and Helen Higby.

On April 21 we met in the home of Georgia Martin and a collection of 99 pictures of previous years was shown. We all enjoyed recalling many of the past events, and continued the evening with a surprise bridal shower for Doris.

#### WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

By Ruby Mathis

Our April meeting was held at Renton Aviation Coffee Shop with the following attendance — Ginny Andrews, Vanecia Adderson, Terry Kellogg, Maxine Fancher, "Pete" Anderson, Marion Owen and Ruby Mathis.

Vanecia Adderson has been a flying chauffeur for a Chronological Photographer while he was taking aerial shots of new housing projects in the Renton vicinity.

Helen Appel was a busy gal for an hour or so when her daughter, Cathy, received an accidental head injury during a croquet game. No stitches though! Helen is flying to Spokane this week to see a possible race sponsor.

Marion Owen visited Lydiellen and Cornelius Hagan in Spokane this month. Lygie is getting so well known in Spokane because of race publicity, that everyone now is referring to Dr. Hagan as "Mrs. Hagan's husband!" Looks like he's gained a permanent new title!

We want to offer our condolences to Mildred Pearson of Everett on the death of her father; also, to prospec-

tive member Winnie Blythe on the loss of her mother.

Bob and Donna Ezzell have joined the Tri-Pacer Flying Club and are selling their Sky Ranger.

49½'er Hugh Fancher is recuperating from a gall bladder operation this month. Understand Maxine is having quite a job trying to keep him away from the office. Maxine said they were giving Roger, at the age of two weeks, a "flying start" on the family flying tradition when the family flew to Arlington. Roger seemed to like flying. She is now checking out in the Cessna 150.

Some of the 99's may fly over to the Apple Blossom Festival at Wenatchee, Washington, May 2 and 3.

Low Becker and Gene Tanner, who are on the "hoped for" endurance flight of 66 days for the American Cancer Crusade, have been refuelling at Seattle during their first week. Sunday Hugh and the Fordomatics were returning from Klamath Falls, Oregon when they spied the plane, so they flew around and serenaded them awhile.

Now that Spring has finally arrived in the Northwest, we are all getting Spring fever and hope to have more activities to report next month.

#### MONTANA CHAPTER

By Dorothy Sabo

Since the last Newsletter went to press, we have not had a 99 meeting in Montana. However, the correspondence and calls have been numerous as we swing into action with our plans for the Race stops here this summer. With such a large state to cover and a small membership it presents quite a problem. Our three contestants, Vivienne Schrank, Mary Jo Janey and Elsie Childs are busily finishing their own plans as well as doing a fine job in Helena and Miles City in laying the groundwork for the girls who will be there during the race.

Chairman Pud Lovelace has been busy flying back and forth to Butte, Helena and Billings on Race business. Norma Wingfield called us recently when she flew in from Billings on business. 49½'er Dr. Sabo brought back some exciting tales of the planes and activities he witnessed last weekend at Las Vegas at the start of the World Congress of Flight. He encountered extremely heavy traffic with 8 planes downwind at one time and four voices on Tower frequency. It was one of the biggest fly-ins in the history of civil aviation. The big thrill was to see the tremendous jet transports and to be able to go into the 880. Dorothy was left at home on that trip



due to a cast on a broken leg, the second time in a year.

We are looking forward hopefully to good weather for a May day meeting.

#### ALASKA CHAPTER

By Ann Pollom

Most of the chapter has managed to take a vacation trip of some type "outside" during the past few weeks, and consequently there really hasn't been too much going on. However, the "stay-at-homes" met at Pat Gil-



Pat Gilda, Lew Becker, Gene Tanner, Helen Stoddard and Ruth O'Buck in front of the Crusader plane just before takeoff on their endurance flight April 10, 1959 at Anchorage, Alaska.

da's home where we worked on the favors for the July convention. Present were Pat McGee, Helen Stoddard, Ruth O'Buck, Ann Pollom, Pat Gilda, and Marian Zaegel.

We are glad to welcome Pat Gilda back from her visit to the doctors in Washington, and to know that she is going to be flying all summer long in their new plane, a PA-12 Super-cruiser.

Helen Stoddard left for her first ferrying trip of the season. She will pick up a Cub in Lockhaven, Penn.

Well, the Cancer Endurance Flight, with pilots Gene Tanner and Lew Becker finally succeeded in taking off from Anchorage International Airport. Typical Alaskan "break-up" weather and the old flu bug had detained them for several days. The best of wishes went with them from this chapter.

We are planning a fly-in breakfast April 26, weather permitting, in Palmer. We hope that the mud will be gone, the sun will shine, and that the ground will be completely dry by then. We'll see!

Spring is almost here, and with it comes flying weather. After the long winter we're all anxious to be out and about. Maybe we'll see some of you up here in the next few months.



#### SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER

By Jeanne Strahl

Just a few items in interest from the San Fernando Valley Chapter amidst last minute preparations for the Sectional Meeting.

Clara and Walt Davis, Audrey Shutte and Lois Vdenek and their young-uns', Liz Crowley, Lola and Ed Ricci and Trixie Schubert flew to the Salton Sea for a BAR-B-Q with Renee and Del Brown. Liz had an exciting day and it was tiring and Riverside Airport was handy so Liz put an RON on the little plane and caught a bus for LA. This isn't Liz's description of the return trip but your reporter had so many versions of the story—thus the improvisation.

Nancy Lynam and 49½ also made the trip to the Salton Sea. They flew their T-34 from Oxnard Air Base where Nancy is a member of the Air Base flying club. Understand she will be transferring soon to our chapter from the San Diego Chapter.

Virginia Hall and your reporter were only two of the many representatives of the 99's at the World Congress of Flight in Las Vegas. We stopped for a luncheon chat with Loretta Slavick—St. Louis Chapter, Belle Hetzel—Omaha, Broneta Davis, our national president; Ruth Gay—Long Beach, Ruth Rueckert—San Francisco Bay Area, Gerry Mickelson—Sacramento, Esther Stone—Idaho and Laura May Crawford of the San Joaquin Chapter. Such a notable group of 99's—and Broneta's parting plea was for all of us to get busy and try to reach our goal of 1500 members this year. Fran Berra was spotted breathlessly watching the sensational flying maneuvers of the Chinese Air Force. To culminate an eventful week we had breakfast and a most pleasant visit with Zadio Bunker. Zadio is a warm and inspiring individual.

Last minute changes for Virginia Hall and Lola Ricci. Lola was forced to bow out of the Air Race this year—inlaws will be visiting the Riccis in July. Virginia Hall now has joined forces with Virginia Graham and they will enter the Graham family's Apache.

The May meeting will be held at Virginia Kahse's home in Hollywood. On their last trip to Mexico the Kahses took their movie camera along and they are going to show the movies at our meeting.

#### SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

By Aileen Saunders

Betty Gillies was hostess to a well attended monthly meeting at her lovely home. Betty recently returned from a vacation in the Bahamas with 49½'er Bud in their Apache. They enjoyed the vacation immensely and acquired a new hobby, "skin diving."

Our novel Easter Egg Hunt was enjoyed by all participants. Each aircraft was given a card containing a clue which would lead them to a successive clue at another airport, eventually leading them to the final destination, Gillespie Field. The egg hunt and picnic was held at Dotty and Bob Sanders new hanger adjoining the field. Bob insisted on looking in the strangest places for eggs. At our monthly meeting Dotty showed slides that were taken of the egg hunt. Lynn Briggs won the prize for the funniest hat.

Honors for the 4th Annual Picture Hunt were won by Thelma Bishop who identified 14 of the 16 pictures and 2nd place went to Dotty Sanders who identified 13 of the 16 pictures. Each aircraft had from 2 to 2½ hours (depending on engine horsepower) in which to identify the pictures and accurately mark them on a local San Diego chart. The amusing high light of the picture hunt was due to a typographical error on the announcements which read coffee and cakes and should have read coffee and cokes. Consequently, Marian Jepsen and Lois Bartling spent half the previous night baking cup cakes and cookies. Thanks for a job well done goes to Ruth Gamber for this very successful picture hunt and to Betty Gillies for her clever pictures.

It was Wedding Bells for Mrs. Ray Jepsen (Marian Carver) and Mrs. Jack Nicholson (Clara Hale) Congratulation and much happiness.

The World Congress of Flight in Las Vegas was attended by Marian Jepsen, Francis Goodwin and Betty Gillies. Betty gave us stay-at-homes a rundown of events and activities which took place.

Our chapter members are the most when it comes to going places. Ruby and Jack Keaveny drove to Medford, Oregon for a vacation before going to Europe. Lois and Harry Bartling are on a 3 week flying vacation to Reno and parts unknown. Elsie and Ed Watson just returned from a Las Vegas vacation in their Apache. Polly Ross has been spending all her week ends flying to Desert Air and Apple Valley to relax in the sun. Gertrude and John Lockwood flew commercially to Wichita to take delivery on their new Cessna 175.



Jerry Vickers husband Bob is recovering nicely from a serious auto accident.

Don't forget our Hanger Dance June 6th-Gillespie Field.

### LONG BEACH CHAPTER

By Fran Bera

The April meeting of the Long Beach Chapter was held at the home of Helen Albani, with refreshments by Ruth Gay and Helen. After the business meeting we were entertained with slides shown by Mae Sharp of her trip to Europe and the Worlds Fair at Brussels. The pictures were beautiful, and if Mae ever gives up schoolteaching we are sure she could enter the field of photography.

Two members, Barbara London and Ruth Gay attended The World Congress of Flight in Las Vegas. After hearing Ruth's report on this, more of us wished we had gone. Ruth also flew to Santa Ana to hear Paul Mantz speak and see his collection of antique airplanes still in perfect flying condition, used for motion pictures.

Cleo Morrison missed the meeting again, was reported in the midwest on the way back from Lock Haven with a Piper Tri-Pacer. Cleo has been doing lots of ferrying for a local aircraft Distributer. Cleo, why don't you arrange your trips in between meetings so we can see you occasionally?

Dudley Greer and 49½er are building a home in Twenty-Nine Palms where they will fly to week ends and enjoy the desert sun. Dudley says there will be a welcome mat out for all Ninety-Nines.

Ruth Nitzen cross countryed to San Diego for the horse races at Caliente. She didn't say whether or not this was a profitable trip. Claire Walters flew to San Francisco for lunch, and when asked why, said "all the local drive ins were crowded." Claire and Fran are planning a trip to Europe with much enthusiasm. Fran gave us details of the Mobilgas Economy Run in which she placed sixth. She admitted that the Air Race was more fun than competition in automobiles.

We had many new faces at the meeting, with two new members, Eleanor Cowles and Mary Pinkney. Mary has helped with many projects and has been with us so long, I must confess many of us thought she was a member. Congratulations, Mary, for making it official.

### LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

By Christie Warren

At the April 14th meeting, we were delighted to have as guests again Hannah Mueller from Germany, Dr. Gloria Allen, Jackie Kessler and

Kathleen Braithwaite, prospective, also a new prospect, Rebecca Held.

Special guests were Wing Scout leader, Mrs. Beverly Anshen and Troop Crew Chief, Barbara Perlee, of the newly formed Wing Scout Troop 722 which our chapter is sponsoring under the direction of Tillie Kaufman, Wing Scout Chairman.

A Flight Committee was formed to plan at least on fly-in each month. Sally La Fagre, Mary Ann Craig, and Jan Vawter will head the committee, and anyone finding some delightful spot for a fly-in, please get in touch with the committee, giving them in info so that they may make arrangements.

The Air Marking Committee also asks cooperation from all who fly around these un-marked airports and towns. There are so many of them that should be marked, and all we have to know is the location. The Committee will contact the airport manager and arrange to do the marking. Please, everyone, take notice when you fly and get all possible data you can for the committee. If possible, land at the airport and ask.

Some breathtaking scenery and interesting facts were given us by Annette Castle who showed color slides of the trip she took with hubby and son in their plane thru Alaska and Canada. In primitive Alaska, was \$1.09 a gallon, hamburgers \$1.50, and pancakes 50c each.

### SAGUARO CHAPTER

By Alice Roberts

I guess this is the month that every one is getting ready to enter the All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race. At least every one around here is talking about it. There are going to be three planes from Phoenix and I haven't checked with Tucson . . . but they always have two or three. This should be a GOOD race.

Melba Beard called to tell me that she had a wonderful time at the World Congress of Flight in Las Vegas. From all reports, I'd say it was terrific. I had hoped to go . . . but weddings, cross-country flights, etc., (mostly Etc.) kept me busy elsewhere. Melba tells me there were about 25 99's present. Thelma Biegert and her 49½er Max were there, also our national president Broneta Evans.

Our son-in-law, David Pine, was promoted to 1st Lt. last week. He is stationed at Luke Field flying the F-100s. He says they are GREAT!!

Juanita Newell, Melba Beard, Betty K. Slater, Virginia Hash, Thelma Biegert and I hope others are going to make it to Sectional Meeting in Van Nuys, Calif., this weekend. We all hope the weather cooperates with us. Sounds like fun.

Betty Slater, June Kaiser, Juanita Newell, Marge Crowl, Jimmie Shelton and Doris Rowe were present at our last meeting of the Saguara chapter which was held at the home of Doris Rowe.

Jimmie Shelton and her 49½er Frank, Alice and her 49½er Chas. decided to take a trip to Palm Springs for breakfast. Got about 25 miles west of Phoenix and remembered that the cafe doesn't open until 9:00 (PHX time) so did a 180 and flew to Tucson instead. Had a lot of fun . . . you should try it some time.

Looking forward to seeing you all in the near future.

Happy landings.

### SANTA CLARA CHAPTER

By Dorothy Monahan

FUN FOR FUN was the theme of our April get-together at the Palo Alto Airport. Fifty members and friends attended our annual bingo party to raise money for our projects. Genial 49½er Lloyd Petty was in charge of the refreshment bar, assisted by Herm Barnick. We do appreciate everyone's assistance in making this a gala evening. Thanks to Wes Reynolds for donating his place for the party. Patty Sherwood won the grand prize of the evening. Carol Veris of Chicago chapter, now living in Sausalito, was member that came the greatest distance.

### TUCSON CHAPTER

By Mary A. Martin

Congratulations to Mary Johnston who obtained her commercial in February. Currently in Riverside, this busy gal not only teaches school, teaches ground school, helps her husband with the cafe and lends a hand at the airport; in her "spare" time she is studying for her flight instructor's rating!

Thanks to the scholarship from the Tucson group, our other new commercial pilot is yours truly. I am deeply grateful.

At the barbecue April 4, 43 members and guests were entertained. Pacing in from Albuquerque were the Sutherlands and the Woods; and a number of Tucson guests also enjoyed the evening around the Marshall's pool.

Newest member is Jane Creise, formerly of Alaska. We haven't had the pleasure of meeting her 49½er and two children, but hope to soon.

### SACRAMENTA CALLEY CHAPTER

By Genevieve Hall

A delicious Chinese luncheon, complete with chopsticks, was enjoyed at the home of Ruth Lummis. Our April business meeting was held afterwards and the afternoon continued with "hangar flying." Members and guests attending were Betty Haynes, Ruth Wagner, Carol Bloom, Doreen



Brandley, Helen Mace, Hialeach Relich, Florence Breen, June Devine, Mary Ann Fleharty, and Mary McFarland flew in from Reno in her 170 bringing guest Sue Pedri.

Florence Breen and June Devine with their husbands were all packed to attend the World Congress of Flight at Las Vegas, making the trip in the Breen airplane. Gerry Mickelson flying her Bellanca and Carol Bloom flying her own plane, were planning to leave on Wednesday to attend the same event, continuing on to Riverside to attend the National Aviation Education Council of Flight where Carol is to be a speaker.

Betty and Joe Haynes had just returned from Baja and Rodriques Ranch in their new Comanche. Doreen and Reinard Brandley flew their plane to Utah and back this week.

Jo Eddleman is in Houston where her mother has undergone a very serious operation. We all wish her mother a speedy recovery.

This week Hialeach Relich received a ride in the new F27 turbo-prop airplane that Pacific Airlines plans to put into service out of Sacramento on April 26. She enjoyed the ride very

much, though how she found time to take it, in between trying to get settled in her new home, I'll never know! Her new address and phone number are: 7455 Henrietta Drive, Sacramento 22. GArden 8-1728.

"Good flying weather" having arrived, this chapter is making plans for fly-in meetings from now until fall. May 9 will find us at Columbia with a picnic lunch along and we have a tentative invitation from Mary McFarland to hold the June meeting in Reno, Nev. In meantime most of our members are busy making preparations for a flight to the San Fernando Valley for the Southwest Sectional. We expect to have a wonderful time and will report on that next month.

#### **BAY CITIES CHAPTER By Margaret Gerhardt**

Chairman Gail Lane was hostess for the April meeting, which was held on Friday, the 10th. The meeting was held one week earlier than usual, because several of our members expect to be in Las Vegas for the World Congress of Flight. Gail's Twin Peaks apartment has a beautiful view of the city and the bay bridge, and the

choice between the two kinds of cake was hard to make. Most of us settled for a piece of each. Those present were Annette Anderson, Mary Fields, Geri Hill, Margaret Gerhardt, Jean Kaye, Gail Lane, Doris Phillips, Ruth Rueckert and Eleanor Wilson. Business discussed included nominations for sectional officers, delegates and proxies for the spring sectional in Encino, TWTAR contributions, and meetings to be attended by Ruth Rueckert in Las Vegas. We decided that each member would contribute \$2.50 to the AWTAR. Ruth Rueckert will report at the next meeting on the World Congress of Flight. At least seven of our members expect to go to spring sectional.

Annette Anderson is now working for the British Consulate and has moved into a new apartment. Hazel Miles also has a new home. Gail Lane is leaving for Hawaii on April 19 for two weeks. Jean Kaye has been airplane shopping. Next meeting will be at Jean Kaye's in Palto Alto on May 15. I would like to issue a special invitation to Maxine Carlson to join us. It's been too long since we have seen her.

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