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Renew Before Sept. 30

President's Column

Septemper 1, 1959

All the officers and members of the executive committee join me in thanking you for the faith you have expressed in electing us to staff the flight of The Ninety-Lines for the 1959-60 journey-and to you we pledge our combined efforts to continue the splendid record of the thirty flights that have preceded ours,

At our recent convention in Spokane, I heard a statement which I think most adequately signifies the meaning of the Ninety-Nines to all of us-One of our members remarked that she had heretofore not been extremely active in the group, particularly on the national level. However, having worked on preparations for the convention and then meeting so many other Ninety-Nines from all over this and other countries, she felt like dropping all her other affiliations and concentrating solely on the Ninety-Nines. From the briefing received by Past Presidents Gerry Mickelsen and Broneta Evans, I know that will be my course for the next year.

We are hoping this year to prepare a film - color and sound - that will adequately portray all the facets of Ninety-Nines activity. In order to cover all the various activities and spread the expense we believe that different chapters might be able to supply footage depicting a particular activity in which they have been successful; such as: air marking, competition, air age education, etc. The combined footage could then be edited, sound track added and copies be made available for our own use



INTERNATIONAL OFFICERS FOR 1959-1960

Left to right: Louise Smith, Secretary; Eugenia "Deedo" Heise, President; Barbara Kiernan, Treasurer; and Ruth Deerman, Vice President.

and other interested organizations. A thirty minute finished film would be sufficient. May I have your ideas and suggestions on this and also on financing the sound and copy work?

I hope that each of you has read the beautiful and inspiring editorial written by Mr. Gill Robb Wilson in the August issue of "Flying." I firmly believe it is one of the finest tributes we have ever received and something that all the money in the world could not have bought. If you have not seen it, by all means, beg or borrow a copy of the magazine. I quote from the second paragraph: "Down the roll of the years since then the Ninety-Nines have kept faith on the air frontiers with the spirit and traditions of the

pioneer women of America. In ever increasing numbers they have climbed aboard the driver's seat and whipped up the horses toward the future as did their forebears in colonial times and in the day of the Conestoga. We hail them for their cockpit skill and courage—but most of all we hail them for their intelligent understanding of the part they have had to play.'

If we, in the present and future, can live up to this heritage we can indeed feel that we have made our fair contribution as women and pilots.

> DEEdo Eugenia R. Heise. President

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The 25th Of Each Month

To All News Letter Reporters

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Heading — Please head each of report as to Section, Chapter and Reporter. This prevents mixups with news from other chapters.

Contents Type double spaced, full width of regular sized paper, if reports exceed one type written page, please number paragraphs in order of importance. Unless numbered the last paragraph is usually the one deleted, if the occasion arises. Do not write on backs.

Pictures—Color prints will not reproduce, glossy black and whites preferable. Do not write on the backs, but attach the names and occasion to the bottom of the picture with Scotch Tape for removal in printing.

By following the above procedure you will make my task and the printers a little easier, so thanks a million.

Editor

4th Annual Small Race

Michigan Bay City - Benton Harbor

Prizes And Trophies

- 1. \$200 plus Bunyan Rotating Trophy ? maybe jet ride ?
- 2. \$150.00
- 3. \$125.00
- 4. \$75.00
- 5. \$50.00

Miniature trophies for all winning co-pilots.

ENTRY FEE-\$10.00

Impound Date-October 2, 1959

Prizes for first plane to impound, the one coming greatest distance, the pilot with the most hours, and the pilot with the least hours.

BE A WINNER BEFORE THE RACE STARTS

Arrangements made with U. S. Navy to tour missile destroyers.

Cocktail party, pre-race banquet, pilots briefing, and "mystery route" revealed. A community sing plus door prize.

All contestants to receive a tube of Saran Wrap, compliments of Dow Chemical Co., and a vial of aspirins for use if your score isn't what you hoped it would be. Plus purse-size vials of Arpege or My Sin perfume.

Breakfast, final briefing, October 3. Take-off, 10 a.m.

Enter now. Write to:

Margaret Windfuhr 3537 Tecumseh River Rd. Lansing, Michigan

Alma Harwood Resigns From Scholarship

After almost 20 years of devoted service to the AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP, Alma H. Harwood has announced her resignation as Permanent Trustee, due to the pressure of other affairs. Alma conducted the formation of the fund, together with Margaret Cooper Manser, when the type of memorial was first agreed upon in 1940. Thereafter she was Chairman of the Board of Trustees for some years, and guided the Scholarship through its infancy until its successful operation was established. She continued to serve as one of the two Permanent Trustees. after the task of Chairman was assumed by Jeannette Sovereign following Margaret Manser's death in 1951. Alma has always held the welfare of the Scholarship foremost in her thoughts, and has been a regular attendant at the annual Trustees meetings held at the time of the National Conventions.

To succeed Alma as Permanent Trustee, the Executive Board has appointed Alice H. Hammond, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich. Alice has served as elected Trustee in the past, was appointed subsequently to fill out the term of another elected Trustee who resigned, and in addition has served as the Scholarship Treasurer for the past two years. Her experience and her deep interest in the AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP make her an excellent choice to succeed Alma Harwood as Permanent Trustee.

Many 99's Belong To CAP

Many 99 members hold key positions of every kind in the CAP, from wing commander (Clara Livingston, Pureto Rico Wing) to basic member. Ninety-Nines are numerous among the aviation education personnel of the organization, which is the only

Roster 1959 - 1960

The 1960 Roster will be in your possession in November this year, but in order-to do so, we need to have prior to September 30 the following:

- 1. A PICTURE of each new Section Governor. These should be at least 1½"x1½" or larger—a glossy black and white.
- 2. COMPLETE LISTINGS of Section and Chapter officers, meeting dates, etc. Please return forms to headquarters as soon as possible. Let's make these 100 percent this year.
- 3. NOTIFY ME as to any changes or deletions in the "Articles For Sale" section of the Roster or any new articles to be listed.
- 4. NOTIFY HEADQUARTERS as to any deceased 99 member for this past year.

Thanks again to all of you for your wonderful cooperation this past year and don't forget to renew your membership prior to September 30.

Your Editor

group we know of whose major effort, in a membership of some 40,000 seniors, is slanted toward aviation education.

CAP has many capabilities in its unique position of Civilian Auxiliary to the Air Force, but chief among its responsibilities is its aviation program aimed both at the man in the street and the teen-ager.

CAP members are deadly serious about this areo-space age need and spend much time by way of staff colleges, training conferences, extension courses, ground school, aviation education workshops, and whatever else they can reach, trying to improve their own frames of reference so they can make civic talks, teach their own cadets, and convince the guy next door that the airplane is here to stay.

It is in this field that 99's and CAP can join forces in their all-out efforts to "air condition" the nation. Ninety-Nines know general avaition or they just wouldn't be 99's. There are professional teachers among them, flight and ground school instructors, aviation specialists of every description. Those of us who are Civil Air Patrol ask other 99's most earnestly to offer your skills, your teaching abilities, your know-how, to us as we try, with you, to tell this nation that aero-space power goes hand-in-hand with the capability for survival. Betty W. McNabb, Georgia Chapter, 99's, Deputy, Cadets, Southeastern Region, CAP, Assis. Aviation Edu. Officer, SER, Lt. Col., for Mary Jane Fescer, Chairman, Air Age Education.



By Anne Baddour

Mary Lowry is popping the buttons

Coming Events

September 18-20 North Central Sectional Meeting, Indianapolis, Ind.

October 3

Michigan 99's SMALL Race, Bay City to Benton Harbor. Details in this issue. Go and have fun.

October 31

Dallas DOLL DERBY—leaving from and returning to Addison Airport, Dallas. Race chairman, Doris Weller, 4233 McKinney Ave., Dallas 5, Texas, for details and entry blanks.

on her vest. She got her commercial July 28.

Pat Arnold has bought some acreage in Connecticut. She's thinking about putting a runway on it, and is even toying with the idea of bulldozing it herself. Why? Because she just happens to have a bulldozer and besides it's cheaper that way. Pat's been traveling lately, but in her car and not her airplane. Some time ago she collided with a pine tree in Virginia and they're still trying to get the pine needles out of her airplane.

Under New Additions — Charlotte and Len Kelley's beautiful new home. They moved in August 1.

In giving out orchids in our last Issue, I forgot two very important and very hard working girls, both named Lois. Lois Dobbin worked diligently and put in some long hours at the Air Race Start. Lois Wartman came in after everyone had gone and took over on the telephone and rerouted the many letters and telegrams that came in after the race was under way. Specially nice orchids to you both

It was so nice to meet Fran Pierce from Connecticut. She is a 99 member but had never been to a meeting before, and now I understand she and her family are moving. Fran, wish we could have seen more of you.

Chris Seaver isn't getting around quite so fast and far these days, I'm sorry to say. She injured her ankle at the race finish and has had it in a cast for several weeks. It is my hope that soon you're litterally "on your feet again." Chris.

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EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER By Kate Macario

Everyone who attended the July 26 fly-in meeting at Nancy Diemand's agreed it was a perfect day. To begin, it was a beautiful, clear Sunday, sandwiched between much rain and poor flying weather. Six airplanes landed in Nancy's 2400 strip near Doylestown which had been kindly cut by Buzz Diemand in anticipation of our fly-in. Twenty-one in all attended, plus our gracious hosts and their two children. Selma Cronan of New York joining us in a borrowed Bellanca came the greatest distance. Augusta Roberts came in her 140, flying in and out of private strips is old stuff to her, since she also has her own field. After much fun cooling off in the pool,

a barbecue on the patio by a charming brook was next on the agenda. Again Buzz came to the fore with his heavenly barbecued hamburgers (he makes a wonderful 49½ er) which everyone ate with relish (or without) The meeting followed and included nominations for new chapter officers, much discussion on the Race and Convention and the Amelia Earhart Award of \$700 for next year. Then one by one the planes departed, concluding a perfectly delightful day. Tony D'Alterio (Marie's 49½er) took some beautiful colored slides of this occasion which I hope our members will get a chance to see at a future meeting.

News about some of our chapter members: When Peggy Borek first handed in her resignation to our Chapter and Section none of us suspected her reason for it. Now we understand Peg has decided to fulfill a desire she has held for many years—she has entered the Dominican Order to become a Nun, and our very best wishes go with her. Maybe someday she will

Pilot's Briefing

Have you renewed your 90 membership yet, if not, please do so before September 30, avoid the penalty. Three bucks is three bucks.

The 1959-60 Roster will be out in November of this year.

News Letter Reporters—Don't forget to send in a NL report from your Chapter by October 25 for the 30th anniversary NL edition.

Don't forget to return by the 25th of September the form sent out by headquarters concerning pertinent info in regard to the new officers, etc., as the Roster listings will be based on this.

In filling out your renewals and new members' applications check to be sure all the blanks are filled in, especially changes in names, addresses and the number of your license.

Now is the time to present your Chapter officers with an Amelia Earhart Medal for their devoted and unselfish service to this wonderful organization of ours, the Ninety-Nines. They may be secured through head-quarters, either plain or inscribed reverse side for \$3.50 each

Renew yourself and remind others, too.

have the opportunity to use her flying experience to some very beneficial purpose. Peg, we're sorry to lose such an active 99'er.

Ann Piggott has been spending the last few weeks at North Phila. Airport working on her instructor's rating. She is trying to put on as much flying and studying as possible while the children are staying at her parent's place; then in her return to Lock Haven, she hopes to finish up and take her test there. Having an instructor's rating will enable Ann to earn a living during hours when the children are at school and at the same time work at something she enjoys doing.

Elsie McBride, after many set backs due to bad weather each time she was scheduled to take her flight test, has very happily acquired her commercial license. Every Sunday night this summer she has been giving a traffic report for a local station, flying a Comanche, gratis, in order to get the time and the experience, and she has done real well by it.

Adelaide Tinker and her family finally came down to earth after a three week extended tour of the U. S. in a Bonanza K model. John Tinker took over 400 pictures, many of those at Spokane. These would also make good showing at a meeting.

Anne Shields is studying very hard these days for her area rating as an FAA communicator even when she's sojourning at Beach Haven, N. J., on her days off.

We welcome the return of Jean and Jack Rutledge who left Los Angeles after a three months period with R.C.A. Both decided they preferred the East Coast, and to make their return permanent they immediately bought a house in Moorestown, N. J., where Jack will be only a stone's throw from work. We knew you couldn't stay away from us, Jean.

The Diemands are vacationing in Maine, having left soon after the flyin. Also our Secretary, Gert Dennis, and her 49½er Chet are Main bound. accompanied by their golf clubs so they can play en route.

Judy Rich, it looks like you make the cover of "Air Facts" (nice legs)! Sorry we neglected to mention you and Betty Ward in the last News Letter for being a part of the starting group at Lawrence. Hope to see you at more of the meetings, Betty, even though Peg isn't around.

Beth Sturtevant, our new Membership Chairman, her husband and children, had an excellent write-up and pictures of them in their local paper. The subject was on husbands and wives becoming flying teams and included many couple who fly from Echelon Airport where both Beth and

Clyde work. This is a subject true of many airports and if made known would undoubtedly result in some of the wives becoming interested in the 99's.

Our next meeting is a fly-in to Ocean City, N. J., August 30. Hope the weather is fair and you all can make it.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER By Virginia Thompson

Vacationing by air is really a wonderful way to see many of our country's natural beauties according to the flying Tinker family. Adelaide was the pilot; son, Robert, the co-pilot; and husband, John, the photographer, even though all are licensed pilots.

After heading into the blue skies at Wilmington, Del., they flew along the St. Lawrence Seaway where they had a grand view of this tremendous project, on to the Thousand Islands, and over Niagara Falls. After the cherry harvest in Traverse City, Mich., they joined many of the girls in the AWTAR in Miles City, Mont. A short detour enabled them to visit Glacier National Park before going to Spokane. To them, Felts Field was a unipue sight with its rows of race planes tied down and shining in the sun.

They joined the Eastern Pa. Chapter delegates and their 49½ers and had a grand time enjoing the many interesting and well planned activities at the Convention in Spokane.

About two hours out of that city, they had a spectacular view of Crater Lake. They landed at Crescent City. Calif., so that they could see the giant redwoods from the ground and appreciate their tremendous size. Other stops included San Francisco, Yosemite National Park and Palm Springs. Grand Canyon was huge and overwhelming even from the air and rough for flying even along the edges.

She said that the intriguing part of their VFR flying was that they never knew for a certainty where they would be from one day to the next. Many places they would not otherwise think of visiting turned out to be very interesting. Except for a tour through Carlsbad Caverns, the rest of their overnight stops were unplanned and sometimes extended due to weather.

After the flat terrain of the East, they were especially thrilled to fly in the magnificent Rockies. Not only were they impressive but the visibility was marvelous.

After traveling 7,500 miles in 23 days, they said that they still weren't tired. Tomerrow, they are off again.

This time, son, Robert, will be the pilot in a Tri-Pacer while Adelaide relaxes enroute to Vermont for three or four days.

Mrs. Donald Quarles, widow of the late Deputy Secretary of Defense, has just returned from two weeks of study at the aviation education workshop in Plattsburg, N. Y. After August 31, you will find her at the FAA office of Public Information.

On August 15, just after inspecting an apartment she planned to move into the following weekend, she was attacked and her purse snatched by a 19 year old unemployer porter. Although her injuries were quite painful, she is improving with each passing day.

Also improving is Connie Luehman who recently underwent surgery at Walter Reed Hospital.

Plans are grand—relatives are wonderful, but often the two don't mix. especially if there is an abundance of the latter. Frank and Lamona Cervenka headed toward Spokane and the 99 Convention but the state of North Dakota saw the end of their westward journey. However, they did have a wonderful time chatting with the girls who flew to Chicago en rouse in the AWTAR.

Another westward traveler was "Doty" Powers who had a wonderful time just taking life easy in Indiana and visiting former professors at Purdue University.

Jan Tyler headed for Madison and Milwaukee, Wis., where the boating, swimming, etc., were a delight.

Josie Cook and I were a bit different, we headed toward the beautiful New England hills. Josie reported a delightful vacation at Cape Ann near Gloucester, Mass., while the water of Lake Champlain in Vermont beckoned our family.

With vacations rapidly becoming a fond memory, thoughts once again turn toward fall activities and a busy year. A barbecue at Dorothy Mitchell's home is planned for Sept. 6 and is really a delightful way to start the new season as 99'ers.

Dorothy Citchell is looking forward to Dora Firtzke's visit while Eugenia Heise is with her sister in Philadelphia after visiting 99 groups in Canada and New England. We do hope that we too will be so honored.

Blanche Noyes is off to an OX-5 meeting in Pittsburgs, Pa., prior to a six weeks business trip, returning around Oct. 26.

The Los Angeles Chamber of Commence's two-day symposium to discuss urban planning for helicopter and heliports beckons our Jean Howward. She is then off on a week's vacation to see the wonders of Disneyland and visit some of the Whirly Girls. Then the New England Regional meeting of the American Helicopter Society in Lynn, Mass., will claim her attention.

So goes life at the hub of our nation.

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FLORIDA CHAPTER By Dorothea Vermorel

Well, our chapter has another famcus gal—"baby" Joan Merriam, just received her ATR—she is the youngest in the world! 23 years and 13 days!

Vivian Meyers is presently spending time in travel, leaving Alaska on her way to Hawaii, and Jane Kochmit is preparing for her vacation to Russia.

We welcomed two new members at our meeting last night: our hostess, Constance Poppenhager, and Dutch McCoy. One more meeting and Clydelle Fowler, with FAA, will join us. Our members have been participating in various fly-ins and meetings with the co-ed greups and some are looking forward to the "Ruby Rendevous" in the Carolinas next month.

Next month -- lesson meeting at school,-

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ALABAMA CHAPTER By Florence F. Fintak

We've been quite a galavanting crowd of late. We only have 11 members but we have really been on the go. Seven of us made the Spring Southeastern Sectional at Minnie and Charlie Wade's place in Sunnyside, Fla. Those of us woh got down were Cora McDonald, Grace Bailey, Mrs. Minnie Wade and little Minnie Wade, Dr. Gertrude Luther, Juanita Halstead and Florence Fintak. We enjoyed swimming in the Gulf of Mexico as well as visiting with our President, Broneta Davis Evans. Since then Mrs. Minnie and little Minnie Wade, Juanita Halstead, Grace Bailey and Cora McDonald made the International Convention at Spokane, Wash. Juanita Halstead and her 49½ er Foy and their daughters, Linda and Jackie, also flew to Fairbanks. Alaska, to help celebrate that "great

State" into the union on the 4th of July. Sorry, I could not be with them since I spent two years there from 1952 to 1954—as a matter of fact I was there when the 99's received their charter for the Alaska Chapter. I attended many of their meetings and my best wishes still go to the Stoddards and the rest at Merrill Field at Anchorage, Alaska.

The Wade's came back from the Convention via Los Angeles and stopped at the airport which will be next year's start of the TAR. We hope several of us will be there to start the race. We were pleased to hear that Cora McDonald received the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Award. She sure deserves it and will put it to good use in her instruction of the CAP students. Dr. Gertrude Luther flew to Montreal, Canada for a medical convention. She is our newest and flyingest member. Florence Fintak spent a week in Milwaultee, Wis. Jan Warrick is just completing a six weeks tour of Europe with her twin sister, Claudie, We missed her at the last two meetings, but are locking forward to seeing her at the September meeting in Marietta, Ga.. which will also be the Fall Sectional meeting. Most of our members plan to attend.

Our August meeting was held here in Montgomery, Ala., at the new administration building at Dannally Field. We sure wish that the building had been ready last year at the time of the Convention. It is really an advance for Alabama aviation. Asa Rountree, director of the Alabama State Aeronautics Commission, met with us. He is a true friend of all 99's. We have been meeting at the various airports in the state the past year, and plan to continue doing so. Thus we can make ourselves known state-wide. Be sure and look us up if you come by this way. The welcome mat is always out.

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GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER By Elaine Morris

Late but sincere congratulations to the AWTAR winners. Tardy reason: Missed the August News Letter. Excuse: None, just ole summer laziness.

Our July meeting was cancelled due to the absence of Katherine Peck who has been spending the summer with her parents at Malden, Mo., and the



OFFICERS of Greater Kansas City Chapter for 1959-60 are (left to right): Ruth Stafford, Secretary; Marge Farrell, Vice Chairman; Elaine Morris, Chairman; and Mary Ruth Dietrich, Treasurer.

illness of Marge Farrell's father who underwent a very serious operation.

Our August meeting was a dinner meeting held at the Municipal Airport restaurant. Our airport here at Kansas City is becoming an interesting attraction since the rebuilding of the private operators row on the west side of the field, the new administration building not yet finished and the addition of the Boeing 707 jet service by both TWA and Continental Airlines. Those attending the meeting were Marge Farrell, Sarah Gorelick, Betty Siggs, Ruth Stafford, Mary Ruth Dietrich, Joan Cayot, Dee Southard, Elaine Morris and guest Rosalie Bracht from the All-Ohio Chapter. We enjoyed having Rosalie with us and her story of her experience with the AWTAR Race the year a stop was at her home base, Akron, Ohio. After dinner we all went to the Baker Flying Service for our business meeting, the election of officers for the coming year. Chairman, Elaine Morris; Vice Chairman, Marjory Farrell; Secretary, Ruth Stafford; and Treasurer, Mary Ruth Dietrich.

Summer Activities — Laurien Griffin flew her Cessna 180 to Bolivar, Mo., from the Ozark Aero Club meeting. She was a guest speaker on the program of 99's and women in aviation.

Marie Kuhlman, Laurien Griffin and Ruth Stafford attended the annual meeting of the Women's Aeronautical Association in Dallas. Marie was reelected vice president.

Ruth Stafford, Elaine Morris and 49½ ers Sheldon and Bill spent a most delightful fly-in weekend with members of the K. C. Aero Club at Grand View Lodge, Brainerd, Minn. Ruth logged 30 minutes duel in a Sea Bee and checked out in a 310 Cessna. She plans now to start work on a commercial rating. This is one busy gal

but I have no doubts about her getting the job done.

Sarah Gorelick is adding to her accomplishments of ASEL&S, commercial, instrument and flight instructor ratings, a sailplane rating. Sarah flew a Comanche all over the state of Nebraska for their Aviation Week held in Omaha in June, and enjoyed every minute of it.

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INDIANA CHAPTER By Ethel Knuth

Our July meeting was at the North Vernon ranch home of Billie Smith. who with Betty Cull as co-hostess, entertained us royally. Again we had mountains of food-served outdoors under huge trees, with a carpet of beautiful lawn. We welcomed Flora Mae Newman back from a long sojourn in Florida, Learned via postcard that Rae Cawdell did not come straight home from the Spokane Convention but continued on to Anchorage, Alaska! Betty Nicholas and 49½ er Ted had their Cessna 140 wings metalized and were packing for a trip to Canada, a visit with Esther Berner and family at Lake George, N. Y., and a week in the Adirondacks with Betty's mother.

Nellie Alger arranged for our August meeting and we had 30 members and guests dine in the very attractive Pilot Room at Sky Harbor Airport in Indianapolis. Remodeled a short time ago the Pilot Room has an unobstructed view of the flight line. We were especially happy to welcome Mrs. Estelle Adkins, Miss Jerilyn Darlington, Mrs. Alma Hartman, and Mrs. Gloria Richards--all new members who were initiated in one ceremony and were presented with carnation corsages bearing our colors. Again our thanks and appreciation to Betty Nicholas for her excellent introduction, Chairman Delia Sanders had an exciting outline of the Fall Sectional to put in the mail that day, and we look forward to seeing a great crowd in Indianapolis September 18, 19 and 20 to sample Hoosier hospitality. An election of officers was held as follows: Chairman, Ethel Knuth; Vice Chairman, Flora Mae Newman; Secretary, Peggy Coulter; Treasurer, Dorothea Hendricks; and Sergeantat-Arms, Wilma Gunderson.

Sincere sympathy is extended to Nellie Jackson on the death of her mother. Nellie now lives at 8100 Beechtree Roard, Washington, D. C., since 49½er Bill's transfer to the captiol city of the FAA.

Sophia Payton and 49½ er Neal have purchased a new home at 3920 Moller Road in Indianapolis, which is cer-

tainly convenient to Shank's airport. Delia Sanders and 49½er Harry are on vacation in the Cessna 170 at this writing and they went thatta way—East. Fern Rinker and Flora Mae Newman were heading for Canada in Fern's 170. Ruth Congram, who is a 2nd. Lt. in the CAP, attended the Indian Summer Encampment at Whiteman AFB, Mo., and while there had a brief but enjoyable phone visit with Amy Summers of Jefferson City.

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GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER By Maxine Loeffler

Our August get-together was held in the form of a chicken supper for 99's, 49½ers and students at the St. Charles Airport with chicken flown in for the occasion by 49½er Lackland Bloom from Highland, Ill. Approximately 38 were in attendance and it was enjoyed by all.

We are so very happy to welcome into our chapter four new members: Marilyn Stoneburg, who recently moved here from the San Antonio Chapter, Connie Matters, Edith Olovitch and Barbara Reithmeier.

The arrival of young Matthew Duenke into the world was made public in a most unusual way, as proud father, Burton, flew over one of the local airports asking if any of the 99's were down there, and if so, he would like for them to know that Ginny had just presented him with a future 198'er.

Ruth and Ed Lake just spent a very enjoyable vacation in the Kentucky Lake region.

Mickey Clark and Golly Miner, our TAR participants, had the occasion to give the 99's a little publicity by appearing on two television programs in the St. Louis area. They both appeared on station KTVI-TV on the "Coffee Break" and Mickey appeared on station KPLR-TV on the "Luncheon with Fender" program.

We have great hopes in the St. Louis area for a good increase in members as it appears the women student pilots are really keeping the local airports busy.

We are all looking forward to the Sectional in Indiana and the opportunity of meeting everyone once again.

A good number of our 99's took part in the Aero Club race on August 22. It had its beginning at Bethalto Airport near Alton, Ill., and went from there to Moberly and Vichey, Mo., ending at Arrowhead Airport near St. Louis where trophies were to be given out and a barbecue enjoyed by all. Local girls entering were Dorothy

Rumsey, Adel Shaar, Mickey Clark, Ruth Lake, Golly Miner, Sylvia Bloom and Fran Merrill. Out-of-town 99's who entered the race were Deedo Heise, Edna Gardner Whyte and Barbara Jennison. Congratulations to Deedo for coming in in third place!

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ALL-OHIO CHAPTER By Mary J. Fecser

May 17, 1959, Lunken Airport, Cincinnati, Ohio. Hostesses were Margaret Berning, Edith Friedrich and Janice Kuechenmeister, Cincinnati is one of those more distant Ohio cities to which the girls don't get too often. This Sunday morning wasn't too clear, but as the day wore on, the better it became, thus permitting a majority of fly-ins: Edna Calbeck and 491/2 er flew the Cessna Skylane from Columbus: Nellie Rasor Cessna 175'ed from Brookville; Martha Walter drove; Virginia Schumacher in her Thunderbird; Edythe Maxim Tri-Paced with Joan Hrubec from Mansfield, where they picked up Joan's plane, which had just received a 100-hour check; Marion Betzler and Kak Wood flew the Bonanza which they entered in the TAR; Martha Foley flew Beverly Mather and Jeri Parker, prospective member, in her Cessna 170 from Columbus; Alice Schlott and Martha Wilcox 170'ed: Jody Scott 170'ed from Youngstown, one side of the state to the other: Ione Kiplinger flew from Toledo; Winnie Caughey flew in on Saturday in her Luscombe and stayed overnight with friends; guest of Meg Berning was Retha Augspurger of Cincinnati.

The speaker was William Schoneberger, promotion and publicity of Commercial Jet Engines Department of General Electric Co., Evendale, Ohio. He spoke about commercial jets, and in particular, about those which are powered by G.E. jets. He pointed out that the Russia commercial jets can be readily converted into bombers, whereas the American jets cannot be so converted, except to haul troops and cargo—but not into bombers.

Janice's mother, Mrs. Kuechenmeister, baked two delicious cakes for this meeting, which was also the 25th (unconfirmed) anniversary of the All-Ohio Chapter.

Saturday and Sunday, June 13 and 14, were the carefree days spent in fun and frolic on the Island of Putin-Bay, that charming resort in Lake Erie, and the scene of the All-Ohio wing-ding to which our friends, and particularly from Michigan, were invited. Most of the girls arrived on Saturday and stayed overnight. The hostesses were the Akron girls. The

Ohio girls who attended were Jeri Parker, Rosalie Bracht, Marilyn Collette, Marge Gorman, Joan Hrubec, Janice Kuechenmeister, Edythe Maxim, Virginia Schumacher, Jody Scott, Helen Wiedwald, Virginia's three daughter and her mother. Nellie Rasor, Meg Berning and family. Guests were Alice V. Davis, treasurer of the Michigan Chapter, from Grosse Ile, and Olivia Bell of Plymouth, Mich.

Thisa and Thata: Jean Hixson has been off on a round the world flying trip, starting across the Pacific. Most of her trip she won in a Bold Journey contest for teachers. Arlene Davis is recovering from the virus she picked up in Russia. Martha, Jim Foley and baby Susan left in August for Alaska in their 170. Although I never see Bonnie Miller at the meetings, I know via the flight line that she's working on her instrument rating. Helen and Jim Sammon are luxuriously and happily esconced in their "little castle", a lovely Georgian colonial brick, in South Hills. Their new address, Mrs. and Mrs. James Sammon. 4736 Morningside Drive, Cleveland 9, Ohio. Phone SH I-3764. Mary Scheafer thanks all who sent her cards while she was laid up with a twisted neck. She still wears the brace, but she will be shedding it soon, we all hope. Howard and Meg Berning were official and race secretary, respectively, of the 10th Annual Trophy Race Sept. 6 at Lunken Airport, Cincinnati, over the Labor Day weekend. All-Ohio Chapter membership is now 61, qualifying for three Amelia Earhart Scholarship applications this year. Come on, Ohio 99's, contact one of the officers of our chapter. You may be the winner of \$700-that's what it is now-\$700. Don't forget to send in your Achievement Award forms by Oct. 10, 1959, to Martha Foley, In October: 2 and 3, the Michigan SMALL race and on Oct. 18, in Richmond, Ind., a joint meeting of All-Ohio and Indiana Chapters, Marge Hammon and Tony Gideon report VIP treatment from the mayors and the police departments when the girls were forced because of weather to land at undesignated airports during the race. At both Harlowton and White Sulphur Springs, they were swept into town, were given official cars and were mentioned in the news flashes over the radio.

Rosalie Bracht entertained three AWTAR Powder Puffers—Kay Brick, Marion Lopey and Selina Cronin—who were served refreshments at Rosalie's home in the afternoon and stayed for TV and radio appearances in the evening. Rosalie appeared with them Mary Fecser and Arlene Davis have been appointed by new President Deedo Heise to continue as Chairman and

co-Chairman of the International Aviation Education Committee, Surprises will never cease. When Joan Hrubec and Helen Wiedwald left Joan's 'Pee-Wee' at Rochester, Minn. for repairs on a scored piston, during the AWTAR, they were given a free flight by a sympathetic pilot to Minneapolis, where the girls caught an airliner to Spokane and the Convention. Imagine their surprise to meet All-Ohio Chairman Edythe Maxim already on board! ('Pee-Wee' is gaily cloud hopping again.) After the Convention, Edythe and Joan Maxim left via N. E. route for the Banff. Mary Fecser went via Seattle, Victoria, Vancouver for Banff and Columbian Ice Fields. While Mary was trying to arrange flight home, who should walk into the airline office but Edythe and John! Ask Jane Howell to tell you about the sights she saw in the Great West as she flew the AWTAR solo the scattering deer, in particular, that turned out to realy be buffaloes.

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MICHIGAN CHAPTER By Elsie Ferich

Eloise Smith was hostess to the August meeting at her home at Austin Lake. Yours truly was weathered out of the trip, and I know I missed a real good time. I "quick-like" checked with Mary Clark to get the names of the new officers, since this was the time of the Michigan Chapter's election. The new officers are as follows: Jean Reynolds, Chairman; Margaret Windfuhr, Vice Chairman; Addie Binsfield, Secretary; and Velma Del Giorno, Treasurer. Incidentally Vel-ma Del Giorno has her instrument ticket. She received it in May, Joan Hrubec, Governor of the North Central Section, was also present at the meeting.

Margaret and Eric Windfuhr flew down in the Olofossion Corp. Apache. Ken Beech, the company pilot, had Babe Ruth act as his co-pilot. Eric apointed Babe to the job, and she was certainly thrilled by it. Babe's little girl, Kim, will be one year old on August 25. Babe said Kim would be coming to 99 meetings before I got around to reporting of her 1958 production.

Pauline Jones, Chairman of the terminus of the Michigan SMALI-Race, was there. Hobbling around I understand. It seems "Tim Tam," her colt stepped on her toe.

From the reports from the Terminus, and the Start, the Michigan SMALL Race promises to be a "mitten full of fun." Marian Elbinger and Marian Hoffman, co-chairmen of

the Start, have many plans made for your fun-fare. Impound date is October 2, 1959, and there is a prize for the first plane to arrive, one for the plane coming the farthest distance, one for the pilot with the most hours, one for the pilot with the least hours.

You'll have the opportunity to tour the missile destroyers being built in Bay City and there will be a cocktail party, a banquet, with the "mystery route" unveiled, and a community sing and a door prize. Each contestant will receive a tube of Saran Wrap, compliments of Dow Chemical Co., who have also added a small bottle of aspirins, just in case your score isn't what you hoped it would be at the end. All lady pilots will receive a purse-size vial of either Arpege or My Sin perfume. So win or lose, no one will leave empty-handed.

The Michigan Department of Aeronautics, who will handle the mechanics of the race, promise you a colorful air route to the Terminus at Benton Harbor.

Pauline Jones has the entire city enchanted and endorsing the Michigan SMALL Race. There will be a luncheon for the contestants at the airport when they alight. They wil lbe driven to the fabulous Whitcomb Hotel, luxury supreme. You will have time to shop and sightsee, and make ready for the pilot's briefing, where you will learn just who the most proficient pilot is, and who will take Paul Bunyan home with them. There will be a cocktail party, and the awards banquet, which will be folleyed by dancing into ? ? ? hour. If you wish a dancing party, place your order with your application for entry. Benton Harbor will supply you with a Prince Charming.

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CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER By June Basile

What is so much fun as a day in June. I know I have changed the line a little bit, but it better describes our June meeting. Eva White, Cleo Overton, Irene Campbell and Sue Willems, hostessing for the day, arranged a fly-in breakfast at Cleo's private air strip in Aurora. I think just about everyone had "over-easy" eggs because it was so intriguing watching the chef flip them up in the air and retrieve them in his little French skillet. The 49% ors acted as judges for the spot landing contest for the 10 planes piloted by 99's. Hostess-chairman Eva White presented an engraved trophy to the winner .Eve Chilcoat.

Our July meeting was the first night meeting of the year. After the formal meeting was adjourned, we all relaxed in Dallas Sutton's air conditioned living room and talked about the AWTAR and National Convention. Dallas, Winnie White and Joan Campbell, the meeting hostesses, served delicious refreshments while we caught up on the news. Speaking of news, Donna Giles has been quite ill and has moved to Orlando. Fla. We're going to Miss Donna and hope that she is well soon so that she can come back for a visit. Her hammock has been put on the list of those we'll have to try out this winter. Lois Cassidy, our Chapter Chairman, had some happy news for us. August 1 is the day she will become Mrs. Leroy J. Seketa. We want to wish Lois and "Shadow" a lifetime of happiness.

Elsie Wahrer and her family didn't catch many fish while they were in Sioux Lookout, Canada, but they did enjoy good flying weather. Alice Kudrna spent two weeks flying her 170 around the northeastern coast. Quite by chance she met Judy Rich and Betty Ward, Eastern Pennsylvania 99's, at the airport in Rockland. Maine. Alice did a lot of swimming, visiting with friends and stero-picture taking. Mary Beritich and June Lore have been doing a lot of weekend flying. They didn't say they were practicing for the air meet, but I'm sure they'll be there. Hope to see you in Chicago for the air meet on September 13.

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MIDLAND CHAPTER By Mary L. Erwin

The "Big Texas Twelve", as Mrs. Evans described our new chapter in her warm and gracious welcoming address (referring, we are sure, to our comparatively large number of charter members, not our girths or out-sized Texas statures), has very little news for this pinch-hitting reporter to send in this month. This is due largely to the "end of summer" slurap which we expect is usual in flying activity. So many of our members are on vacation now, and we hope they will have done some flying on their trips that we can write about when we hear from them on their return

Jora Canter and family have been spending the summer in Ruidoso,

N. M., flying in and out of there in their Cessna 310. Lora regrets that she can't report flying this dreamboat, for lack of dual training, a situation she plans to remedy soon.

Joy Butts did sell her Piper Super Cruiser, last week, but before she bade it a fond farewell she did something she had been trying a long time to accomplish—she took her father and her 66 year old grandmother, neither of whom ever had flown before, up for a short hop. She also gave a sample of her flying skill to other members of her family visiting her in Midland, thrilling each and all, Joy included.

Velma Lee Copeland has been doing some local flying, "just keeping my hand in" she says. This reporter knows of one trip she made in her Tri-Pacer-to visit Neta Adcock, who lives on a farm near Lamesa, Texas. The Adcocks have a landing strip conviently near their house, which, added to the easy-going Adcock welcome, makes it very pleasant to 'drop in'' for a visit. And when this reporter recently made her first call on Netta, landing on that strip, "drop is just what she did, but her longsuffering Cessna 170 let her get away with it.

Netta Adcock casually goes shopping, lunches, visits and also attends 99 meeting, incidentally, in her 172. always looking very smart when she alights from the plane in her spike heels. But she doesn't fly in them, she confesses—she operates the plane barefooted. When we kid her about it, she retorts, "Well, you don't play a piano with gloves on, either, do you?"

Until next time, y'all keep flying—and write your reporters about it. hear?

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HOUSTON CAPTER By Alice Seaborn

Our August meeting was held on the 3rd at the home of Rhea Hurrle. Those attending were Faye Douthitt, Ellie Childs, Arden Hubbard, Celia Parrish, Jacqueline Morgan, Jean King, Joyce Brooks, Rhea Hurrle, Gertrude Howard, Alice Seaborn and friends and neighbors of Rhea Hurrle who brought the cheesecake and tarried long enough to endure my home movies. Moves, vacations, etc., kept many of our members away. But you can't win all the time.

We have a report from our Houston Chapter member-at-large Bobbie Prenzler. She's settled down in Hollywood where she is rubbing elbows with the stars—Jack Benny, Gregory Peck and various western, eastern, and what-not celebrities. She says

49½ er Bubba has his nose to the grindstone full time and overtime and this interferes with their sightseeing (except for running into the stars) but its has it advantages of bringing their European venture closer.

Future plans are in the works and we think they are most interesting. As soon as they firm up a little more, we'll let you know all about them.

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ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER By Randy Sutherland

We met at my house this month and in spite of our rain we had a good turnout.

We are glad to welcome two new members, Shirley Kay and Jackie Quinton, into our group. Jackie is now working on her commercial.

We were all surprised but very happy for Mary and Joe Turney who have adopted two children, a boy and a girl.

A fly-in is being planned for October 17. Also a spot landing contest and a short field landing contest. So practice up and come win the prize.

A pot luck was decided on for our September meeting.

Our meetings are well attended now that we invite our 49½ers to join us for a bit of hangar flying afterward. We all have fun and learn from others experience.

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COLORADO CHAPTER By Peg Ong

Old Man Weather cooperated with us for our first fly-in in some time. He let the breezes blow and the rain fall while we were busy, then he cleared the skies sufficiently for everyone to take off homeward bound. The scene of the event was Ft. Collins (along with the opening of the National Flying Farmers convention) on August 9. Eight planes in all arrived from Denver, Colorado Springs, and Wheatland, Wyo., with a total nose count at the luncheon of 28. We gathered at the Silvaire Luscombe plant and were served coffee and doughnuts . . . thanks to the Silvaire people! Mr. Otis Massey gave us the royal tour while Miss Joan Ditmer and Orin Seeley of The Denver Post gathered information and pictures for their forthcoming feature article about the 99's. Then the Forney bus picked us up for the jaunt downtown and luncheon, on to Mr. J. D. Forney's home for a tour ofit and his antique car collection, then to the Forney Industries effice and tour through the Fornaire plant. The conclusion of the

day found us back at the airport to see the final assembly of the Fornaires and to chat with friends involved in seeing that the Flying Farmers were being well cared for. Those attending were Gene Nora Stumbough, Joyce Lyon, Lynn Pfleeger, Emily Hanrahan, Pat Moss, the Dennises, Shorts, Frenzels, Nordstroms, Ongs, Chouns, Mugeles, Verna Christopher, Donna Myers, and guests Carol Conley, Ann Comfort, Marilyn and Trig Dunne, Mitze Powers, and Gayle Turner. Many thanks to Mary Frenzel for taking care of all the Denver area details! Certainly hope this is just the beginning of more flying activitydon't forget the Cheyenne Air Fair.

Sorry to learn that Gene Nora is leaving us but we wish her well instructing at Oklahoma Univ. Ruth Mugele has been invited by the Zonta Club of Denver to display her portrait of Amelia Earhart and they wish to present their annual scholarship for aeronautical education in front of it. Dennises 195ed to Salt Lake, Burley, Idaho and Billings, Mont. Jo chatted with Marge Logan while in Billings. Donna and Mary Wenholz reported on the convention in Spokane. I've delivered Fronaires to Springfield, Ill., Albuquerque and Cincinnati. Heard from Thelma Thomas in Turkey. The Frenzels are in their new home just off of Stapleton. Blue skies and tail winds-always!

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EL PASO CHAPTER By Brookie Bozarth

The only El Paso member who attended the National Convention in Spokane was Ruth Deerman. She walked off with the honors—becoming our International Vice President. We are awfully proud of Ruth. Another member we are proud of is Lela Carwardine, who flew her little Cessna 120 all the way to Alaska and back—SOLO. She was with the Flying Farmers, and had a marvelous trip.

Our July meeting was a fly-in uncheon and swimming party at the Deming Country Club, hostessed by Frances Slape and her mother, Mrs. Nixon, It was well attended. Four planeloads of 99's and guests flew over for the day and had a marvelous time.

We were honored by a visit from our South Central Governor, Martha Ann Reading, who with Jo Allison Tri-Pacered over from Dallas to meet with us. They were honored at a Mexican dinner at Griggs Restaurant—Ruby and Dick Tatman were hosts. Twenty-two 99's 49½ers and guests attended. We were all highly entertained by Jo Allison and her report of their Sky Lady Derby experiences.

Our meeting on Saturday was guest day luncsheon, held at Pancake Cottage at Ramada Inn. We had a good turnout—17 attended, including guests and our honor guests from Dallas. At our short business meeting our present officers were re-elected: Juanita Burdick, Chairman; Ruby Tatman, Vice Chairman; Frances Slape, Secretary-Treasurer. Evelyne Wasser is our new Membership Chairman and Brookie Bozarth our News Letter Reporter.

Congratulations to prospective new members just licensed—Billie Callaghan, Phyllis Sutton, Betty MacGuire and Catherine Magruder. We regret to learn that Anne Duthie will soon leave El Paso. She and Jim will spend a year touring Europe, then settle in California. Doesn't that round fabulous? Best of luck, Anne and Jim. California will be getting a mighty fine 99.

An annual fly-in we all plan to attend is on Labor Day at McConnells in Dell City. I ast year they served breakfast to 100. Everyone enjoyed the lovely swimming pool as well as the fine food. Faye McConnell is one of our most active 99's.

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OKLAHOMA CHAPTER By Sally Broyles

A VERY WARM weekend greeted us for our July meeting at Lake Carl Blackwell, just outside Stillwater. Several girls from the chapter attended the International Convention and gladly filled us in on the Convention and Race news. Ruth Jones, Ida Carter, Nema Masonhall, Beth Smith and 49½er Smitty, and, of course, Broneta Davis Evans, all attended and those who flew claimed they had had their share of mountain and weather flying for the year.

In addition to the usual hangar flying and business meeting, the group was given sea planes rides, thanks to some of our 49½ers and friends of the 99's. To most of us land based pilots this was an experience of a lifetime and again we say. "Thanks, fellows, it was wonderful of you to do this for us!" A fish fry, swimming, fish, boating and the usual etc. were also on the agenda and roundly enjoyed by all. Some more than others perhaps.

There was a group of 30 some people attending, including families and friends. We were glad to welcome Vicki Ketch of Stillwater as a new member and Ruby Baber of Duncan as a prospective member. Also guests Noreen Lapsley of Stillwater, Barbara Smith, Beth and Smitty's daughter-inlaw from Oklahoma City, and Meg

Guggolz of Fort Sill, a member of the Albuquerque Chapter.

It seems like Rita and Leonard Eaves have really been making the fly-ins in "Jigger" their little home built plane, winning trophies for workmanship and appearance. Leonard is president of the EAA and the Eaves were in Rockford, Ill., for the Experimental Aircraft meet there. Congratulation, you two.

Fern Yount told us about the SAR-CAP held recently in Duncan in which she participated and was giving out autographs because of her jet ride taken at CAP summer camp at Amarillo. Fern is on cloud 9 from the jet ride.

Several of our girls have earned new ratings. Donna Shirley got her commercial rating on her 18th birthday, having received her private on her 17th. What's for the 19th, Shirley? Wally Funk has her sea plane rating and Sally Broyles her commercial glider rating.

August 10 thru 14 Flying Farmer Convention at Fort Collins, Colo., was attended by Oklahoma Chapter members, Arlene Walkup, Billy Tunes and Broneta. Arlene is the new National Duchess, Billy is President of the Oklahoma Chapter of Flying Farmers, and Broneta is one of the charter members of the organization. Oklahoma, OK. Also, Beth and Smitty are now members of the FF's. Con-

grais to you all.

The August meeting was held at the Sky Chef in Oklahoma City. The new officers for the coming year are: Chairman, Arlene Walkup; Vice Chairman, Nema Masonhall; Secretary, Jean Williams; Treasurer, Fern Yount; and co-Chairmen of Membership, Rita Eaves and Wally Funk. The chapter voted to present our outgoing chapter officers Amelia Earhart Medals for the fine job they did "officering" for these past two years. These medals are to be presented at our meeting at Lake Texoma, September 11-13.

(Footnote): The Oklahoma Chapter will lose Sally Broyles as a regular attending member, as she and Charlie will be at Stephens College, Columbia, Mo. We'll miss your bright and smiling face, Sally, and best wishes to you both from all of us.

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DALLAS CHAPTER By Dorothy Warren

Dal-Tex Aviation's lounge was the site of cur July meeting and we were very pleased to welcome Edna Wright and Hazel Cory as new members. Election of officers was held with the complete slate from last year being re-elected. Films of the Sky Lady Derby were shown and refreshments were served by Pat Jetton,

Martha Ann Reading and Jo Allison flew to El Paso on the 14th in Martha's Tri-Pacer. Jo was on the tellers committee for Sectional election and Martha had a nice visit with the El Paso Chapter.

Marge and Bert Barr have added a new little 24% er to our membership in the person of son, Bert Jr., born on July 13.

August 13 looked like ladies day at Adison Airport as three Cessnas and three gals lined up for check rides with FAA's Mr. Powell and Mr. Mood. First was Lucille Hoffer in a 172 for her private license, then Kathy Watts in a 150 for her private and then it was my turn in a 310 for my multi-engine rating. Am happy to say we all passed and hope Lucille and Kathy will be on our list of new members very soon.

We have many activities to look forward to in the coming weeks. First will be the Dallas Aviation Trades Association sponsored showing at the A. Harris Oak Cliff Shopping Center to better acquaint the general public with aviation. There will be seven booths and four airplanes displayed with representatives of airports, flight schools, maintenance, aircraft sales as well as the weather bureau present. Ninety-Nines are going to be represented in the "Women in Aviation" booth along with the local chapter of Women's National Aeronautics Association. The showing runs three days and if interest is favorable plans will be made to have it in different sections of town in the following months.

Looks like Dallas will be well represented at the South Central Sectional at Lake Texoma Lodge. Several of the girls have flown up to make reservations and they all came back very impressed with the facilities. Hope we will meet you all there.

Plans are well under way for the Dallas Doll Derby with Doris Weller, race chairman. We believe Doris has come up with a perfect way to solve the weather problem encountered so frequently in races. There will be no announced route prior to the day of the race, instead Doris and the weather zureau will decide the morning of the race where the best weather is and that's where the race will go. The route decided upon will be announced at the pilots briefing one hour before the start of the race and it will be on the Dallas sectional chart. The date of the derby is October 31. For entry blanks write: Doris Weller, 4233 McKinney Ave., Dallas 5, Texas.

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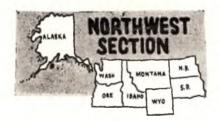
FORT WORTH CHAPTER By Frances Pyland

The Fort Worth Chapter is happy to report that Edna Gardner Whyte won the Las Vegas to Philadelphia 2337 Mile Efficiency Air Cruise, Aug. 13. Her score as follows: 131.27 and using 5.563 gallons gas per hour. She received the JC Trophy for first place and the Cessna Factory Trophy for the Cessna making the best score. Edna reports, "The race was lots of fun and I highly recommend it for a family vacation or cruise." She then flew on to Cleveland where she attended a 99 luncheon and the Seaway Air Show sponsored by the Cleveland Seaway Foundation at Burke Lakefront Airport. Congratulations, Edna!

From the Department of Fabulous Husbands: Capt. George Kahak of American Airlines surprised pretty wife, Mary, with a beautiful custom made bracelet from Mexico. The bracelet outlines flight accomplishments to date with golden disks. One disk for each rating engraved with date obtained—each disk interspersed with tiny solid gold Comanche. Her ratings are as follows: solo, private, commercial, instructor, multi-engine and instrument. Husband George has been thoughtful enough to leave space for an AWTAR disk.

P.S. All husbands please note.

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WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER By Ruby Mathis

Our August election meeting was held at the lovely Lake Washington home of our Chairman, Terry Kellogg. What a wonderful view! The members lucky enough to attend were: Mildred Pearson, Donna Ezzell, Helen Appel, Vanecia Adderson, Maxine Fancher, Marion Owen, Louise Smith and your reporter. Louise brought as her guest Pat McGee, a flight instructor at Snohomish, Wash, Needless to say, Pat was handed an application blank but quick. Winnie Blythe was there "cramming" for her check ride this week. So, we hope to have two new members by Roster time. We were pleased to have Mildred's 49½ er Abe as aguest. Wish you would join us more often, Abe. After serving many cups of coffee and all kinds of dessert, Terry displayed maps of Washington on which our chapter is

to plot all known crashes, etc., for the Washington State Aeronautics group to use in rescue work. Our new project looks very interesting and helpful. Helen Appel showed movies of her trip to Elgin Air Force Base. The photographer did a wonderful job in catching the many beautiful shots of the jets firing missiles at tragets, etc. Our congratulations to the new officers: Helen Appel, Chairman; Marion Owen, Vice Chairman; 'Ginny' Andrews, Secretary; and Louise Smith, Treasurer.

Donna and Bob Ezzell are back at work now after their accident. Bob is in a cast but is getting along olay. Good to see you back, Donna!

Jimmie Kolp and Alma Harwood were in town for Seafare and the Gold Cup hydroplane race. Several of us were fortunate enough to get to visit with them. Jimmie was with the Maverick crew throughout the time trials and race and was in the midst of the excitement when the announced that the Maverick was the winner. A lucky 99.

We offer our sympathy to "Pete" Anderson on the loss of her husband this month.

Flash! Winnie just passed her flight check and is now busy filling in the 99 application blank. Congratulations!

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MONTANA CHAPTER By Dorothy Sabo

August has been a time for Montana 99's to take trips around the country. Vivienne Schrank wrote from Duluth, Minn., where she and her husband, Milton, were about to leave on a Grant Lakes cruise lasting a week and during which time they were to see Niagara Falls. They flew there in their Piper Cruiser and were fortunate in having good weather all the way.

Norma Wingfield paid a flying visit to Bozeman recently with her two little ones, three year old Eldean and baby brother David. Norma manages them and her 140 with ease but says that now the ride to Bozeman has a roller coaster effect as Eldean handles the controls.

Pud and Jack Lovelace flew to Pocatello to see our 99 friend from Idaho, Esther Stone, who is recuperating from a near fatal crash in a spray plane which she was ferrying to Wyoming. We all wish Esther a most speedy recovery.

Camp counseling at a girls' camp at Red Lodge has been keeping Jeanie Brink busy during her vacation from school teaching.

Dorothy Sabo with her son, Dick, and 49% er. Dr. Sabo, as pilot and

navigator of their Bonanza (with a little help from the back seat) flew to Chicago for the wedding of their son, Tom. Due to poor weather, they were unable to land at O'Hara Field so went in to Dupage County Airport which brought memories of the stories of the stop there during the Air Race. On their return to Montana, Dorothy stopped in Minneapolis to visit her father and had an unexpected pleacure in meeting Minnesota 99 Virginia Casperson at the Flying Cloud Airport. Virginia was in the Race and they had chatted together in Spokane.

During last week's earthquake catastrophe, the Lovelace and Sabo planes have been used in carrying people over the Yellowstone area and for some communications work with the rescue parties. Pud and Dorothy both flew over the landslide site later and agreed it was an awesome spectacle.

Billings was the location for the August meeting and much of the time was spent reliving the exciting events of the two Race Stops and the stimulating convention in Spokane. While the girls were at the airport, they saw Carol Gillespie who has been a member of the Alaska Chapter who was in town for the purpose of ferrying film from the west Yellowstone earthquake for the press.

The members present for the meeting and luncheon at the airport were: Norma Wingfield, Marge Rolle, Pud Lovelace, Vivienne Schrank, Orpha Dann, Inza Riedesel and guests Aileen Gray, Selma Fastje and Genice Salsbury. Orpha Dann won the traveling prize. Election of officers will be the main item for next meeting's agenda so we hope to have a record attendance.

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LOS ANGELES CHAPTER By Christie Warren

Monie Dye has been a busy gal the past couple of years. In addition to her job, she has gone to college nights for various degrees which would be helpful in her job, resulting, naturally, in many advancements. Hopes to become active again in chapter after her marriage early in October. Welcome back, Monie, and congratulations.

Enroute home from the Spokane convention, Marijane Brown displayed her flying skill when her Er-

coupe's fuel pump acted up and no gas was getting to the engine. She and her companion, Teckla Kaufman, decided that the highway underneath It was-and they did. One of the highway patrolmen who arrived to assist just happened to be a pilot with his own plane and private airstrip not too far away. Leaving the other patrolman to control traffic, off they went to his tank for 5 gallons of petrol for the 'coupe's top tank and it was ready for take-off again, right down the highway. Since this was not the only "annoyance" Marijane has had with Airlines home and left the 'coupe there for sale. Now she's looking for another airplane.

Claire Walters told of her trip at the her second-hand craft, she put it down at the nearest airport, took the would be ideal for a forced landing. August meeting, and some trip that was! By Scandianavian Airlines over the polar route, visiting Copenhagen. Vienna, London, Paris and the Austrian Alps among other places. Naturally, with all of her ratings and hours logged she spent much of her time in flight up front with the boys. Quote Claire, "I've never seen so many handsome pilots as the boys over there".

Elsie and Norman Smith recently visited Evelyn "Pinkie" Brier at her Tri-City airport and she sends regards to all 99's since she is so busy operating her very successful business and cannot attend meetings. Aside from her usual activities around the airport, she participates in civic and emergency flights such as recently flying fire fighters to the scene during the recent San Bernadino mountains fire.

Now you see her, now you don't. Winifred Willmore is back in Australia on business.

 $49\frac{1}{2}$ er Norman Smith was recently elected to the office of Treasurer of National Flying Club Association, Inc.

49½ er Max Warren paused for a lavish 10 day vacation at Fallen Leaf Lake Lodge—While at Fallen Leaf Lake, we met a student of Lola Ricci's who will soon be eligible for 99's.

The Sectional at San Diego promises to be one of the best ever. See Y'all there.

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LONG BEACH CHAPTER By Fran Bera

The August meeting of the Long Beach Chapter was held at the lovely home of Iris Critchell in Pales Verdes. We enjoyed a delicious pot luck picnic and flew the air race over. We were happy to see Anita Redfern who will renew her membership since she has become the owner of a Navion again. Welcome back Anita! Claire Walters is back from Europe we hear and hope to hear about it next meeting

Annette Castle and $49\frac{1}{2}$ ers John and Johnny are on a flight to Canada in their new L 180 Cessna.

Jackie Sepulveda just bought a Cessna 170, and is happily flying around in it.

We are having a breakfast flight to Santa Barbara later this month, promoted by Sandra Killion.

Fran Bera was so very happy to have Alma Harwood, New York Chapter call on her while she was in Los Angeles.

This newsletter is coming to you from Wadena Minnesota. Your reporter is on a charter trip and is having a ball flying a Cessna 310. Being a freelance pilot might not be profitable, but it is interesting to say the least. I found myself selling tickets at a carnival the first night here. Step step right up, only a dime!!! But that is a long story.

Am now in Willmar. Minnesota, where I met Mary Jane Rice at the airport and she loaned me a typewriter to get this in. Hope it gets there in time. Mary Jane is driving us into Litchfield. So see you next month.

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BAY CITIES CHAPTER By Margaret Gerhardt

Three meetings have gone by since this reporter has reported. The June meeting was at Geri Hills new apartment with swimming pool in Berkeley. Most of the evening was spent discussing Air Race and convention plans. Nine members planned to be at Spokane. and Gail Lane was appointed our delegate and Rita Hart the alternate. Mary Fields auctioned off a planning chart in her own inimitable way for around \$6.00. The chart was brought by Jean Kaye and nicely mounted on cardboard.

July meeting was at Jean Kaye's parents home in San Francisco. Ruth Rueckert reported on the convention and there was much Air Race talk. We also made plans for the Pennya-Pound Day for the benefit of Enchanted Hills which is a part of the National Foundation for the Blind. Jean Kaye is in charge of the event

and we are drawing on the experience of San Diego and Tucson to make onr plans.

We met on August 21st at the new home of Hazel Miles in Piedmont and the evening passed very quickly with discussions on Penny-a-Pound, plans for the Sectional in San Diego and election of Chapter officers for the next year. Present were Hazel Miles, Rita Hart, Ruth Rueckert, Mary Fields, Margaret Gerhardt, Gerry Mickelson, Gail Lane, Eleanor Wilson Dixie Lusk, Jean Kaye, Geri Hill, Doris Phillips and guest, Blue Brown. Doris plans to take her club Tri-Pacer to San Diego, with Geri, Dixie and Jean. Ruth Rueckert and Mary Fields in Mary's Swift, and Gail Lane and Margaret Gerhardt with 49½ ers in a Cessna 175. Our new officers are Jean Kaye, chairman, Doris Phillips, Vice Chairman, Mary Fields Secretary and Dixie Lusk. Treasurer. September meeting on the 27th, a picnic at Half Moon Bay with Maxine Carlson as hostess.

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By Alberta Hunt Nicholson UTAH CHAPTER

Our July meeting was held at the home of Eunice Naylor and we were pleased to have our Section Governor, Doris Eacret from Reno in attendance. Louise Fisher was with us again and reports she is "hard at her flying lessons". We were also glad to have Bernice Galbraith present. She and her husband are the new owners of the Utah Central Airport.

Alberta Nicholson has a new project—she is working with the various scout troops, on request, and helping the scouts get their Aviation Badge. She had another troup up for their airplane ride last week. News is short this month for we have nothing but thunderstorms and cloud bursts, but come Fall we will be in the air again.

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SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CHAPTER

By "Polly" Stochr

August meeting was around new pool at Virginia Graham's lovely home. Officers elected. Chairman: Penny Swope, Vice-Ch: Norma Wilcox, Sec'y: Dot Dancer. Treas: Ginie Graham, Membership Ch: Katherine, Wagner. News Letter: "Polly" Stoehr.

Ginie and Penny attended Con. at

Spokane. Ginie has been practicing night landings with Apache at Prescott and other points recently. Norma, assisting Jean Rose, Hawthorne, as see'y, in exchange for lessons toward commercial and instrument ratings.

Paua ("Polly") Phelps, our newest member, flew co-pilot for husband Boyd, of Long Flying Service, to Marshall, Mo. on air-ambulance hop in new Apache. The patient was 84 years young and on her first flight.

Nell Allender, Polly's sis, Dalhart, Texas, and Phyllis Feckner, student pilots, attended meeting at Ginie's.

Polly and Nell did over 50 hrs. in the Stoehrs' Navion during July and August. Visited 99's Hdqtrs, Okla. City, Flying Farmers, Wichita. made flight to Kansas City, flew 86 yr. old Aunt from Alva, Okla, to Ottumwa, Iowa, a rewarding experience, looked after farm interests in Kansas. Highlight of summer, even including flight to Alaska with 33 other Flying Farmer planes, was attending Nat. Flying Farmers Con., Fort Collins, Colo. Aug. 8-14.

Over 1200 registrations and nearly 500 planes, many came in cars to help ground transportation. The programs, food, entertainment,—all of highest quality. Signs "No Smoking—Thanks" displayed on each side of platform were adhered to 100%. What a pleasure to be in such large business meetings with the air uncontaminated! Bronita Evans Davis was a charter member, and has attended every Con., including this one.

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SANTA CLARA CHAPTER By Dorothy Monahan

August 13—Dinner meeting at Sugar and Spice Restaurant in Redwood City. Mabel Zehr, hostess (who had arranged a most interesting showing of Air Force films by Air Force personnel). Forty members and guests attended, including Margaret and John Gerhardt. Gail and Fielding Lane of Bay Cities, Marion Dietrich and Pat and Alan Johnson of Sacramento Chapters, and Ruby Fielding and Evelyn Eggnik daughters.

Marian and Herm Barnick and son. Bobby, and Helen Kelton flew to Spokane for the end of the Race and Convention, in a twin engine Cessna, had a great time.

Dave McElhatton flew to Spokane to meet Jeannie and Carol and to fly home with them. We are still anxious to hear more about their trip.

Welcome to our newest member,

Anne Gardyne. Anne and Bob are the proud owners of a five place Waco. They are flying out of Hayward.

Natalie Bossio is taking a flying vacation via UAL DC-7 to Boston and New York and points East.

Our June business meeting was held at Ruby Fieldings, Santa Clara. Being on vacation I did not get the details.

Dorothy Monahan and Pat take a flying vacation via mainliner to Omaha, New York and Washington. It was nice to see Ena Ayers in New York and visited in Washington with former 99 Ivah Maxfield Allan.

Chapter members, please send your news to chapter reporter.

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SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHAPTER By Genevieve Hall

Sadness surrounds our Chapter over the sudden death of Betty Haynes, (Tar No. 25) who was killed in a crash of the Haynes Commanche near Boise. Our deepest sympath is extended to her husband Joe and their four children.

Helen Mace hostessed the August meeting at her home, making it a combination business - lunch - stork shower for Hialeah Reilich. A delicious lunch was served complete with two ceramic storks decorating the table. Baby Reilich was well outfitted by attending members who were: Ruth Wagner, Doreen Ecandley, Claire Raley, Florence Breer, Lillian Grey, Helen Mace, Genevieve Hall and Hialeah Reilich.

Due to the new publishing date of the Roster, election of officers for the coming year were held with the following results; CHAIRMAN: Genevieve Hall; VICE CHAIRMAN: Nelsyne Jones; SECRETARY: Ruth Lummis; TREASURER: Florence Breen; MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN: Helen Mace and NEWSLETTER RE-PORTER: Claire Raley.

Gerry Mickelson flew her father up to Lake Tahoe to spend a week. Coral Bloom is teaching Air Education at Ellensburg, Washington. Our October meeting will be a fly-in to Buchanan Field as Coral has offered her home at Concord for this meeting. You all be there!

Lillian Grey has a brand new private license and we hurriedly handed this proud lady a 99 application blank to make her an official chapter member

Ruth Osier, sons, Michael and Jim, and dog Penny stopped in Sacramento for a visit with Hialeah and Helen.

They were enroute to Fresno and Santa Ana to visit relatives via the family Cruiser. Ruth was all packed and ready to go when she discovered the airplane keys were 40 miles from Hoopa. So she jumped into the family car and went after the keys and then took off.

With an eye towards next years AWTAR Genevieve Hall has been exploring Sacramento Valley in a Tri-Pacer checking the plane's speed and gas consumption at different altitudes in both smooth and rough air.

Helen Mace flew her two children up to Lake Pillsberry and camped out for two nights. They had to move their camp site once due to a rattlesnake "barking" at them. We probably would have moved right back home, Helen!

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SAN DIEGO CHAPTER By Aileen Saunders

Our August meeting was held in the lovely home of Anne "Boo" Christensen. Election of officers was held and we are happy to announce that the following were elected for the coming year: Jerry Vickers, Chairman: Terry Vasques, Vice Chairman: Frances Goodwin, Secretary: Elsie Watson. Treasure. A vote of thanks for a job well done to the out going officers.

Final plans were discussed for the Fall Sectional. Jerry Vickers, chairman of the sectional has been verw busy with the arrangements but reports everything under control. The Blue Angels air show into our schedule but found it impossible. Sorry Girls. We are looking forward to seeing all of you at the sectional.

Our chapter extends a warm welcome to Ruth JoAnn Powell, daughter of our treasure Elsie Watson. Ruth's husband is employed as a pilot by Pacific Southwest Airlines. Congratulations to Clara Aldrich who is a grandmother again.

Received a letter from Ruby Keaveny from London, England. She and 49½er Jack are still touring Europe but expect to be back with us in a couple of months. We are anxiously awaiting to hear first hand about their trip and see all the pictures she has taken. Also a letter from Gertrude Lockwood from Nome, Alaska. She and 49½er John are having a wonderful time touring Alaska and Canada by air. They expect to be home in September.

Glad to see Dotty Davis back with

us looking as radiant as ever after recent illness.

We recently enjoyed a pot luck and swim party around the beautiful pool of Marian Jepsen. Dotty Sanders and Marian showed pictures they had taken during the recent AWTAR. Marian must have been on a tight budget, she double exposed all her film.

Did you ever see planes flying thru water falls? It is quite a sight. Hope I Haven't missed reporting other activities of our girls. I became ill before the meeting was over and had to leave so I missed hearing all the gossip.

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REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER By Hazel Bertagna

We're starting backwards in reporting our activities because of news issues missed:

Saw Doris Eacret at the Tahoe Strip Sunday. It's beautiful and safe. Bridgeford Flying Service is on the field and the Eacret's have the car rentals as of this date. Hope we can all meet up there soon.

We had our August and July meetings at the Napa Valley Country Club on the third and second Sunday consecutively so we could take advantage of the warm weather and combine a swim with onr meetings. Present at our Aug. meeting was: Nellie Palmer and Anna Brenner of Santa Rosa, and Pat Stouffer, June O'Donnell and Hazel Bertagna of Napa. "Little Sister" Betty Smith was on hand too celebrating her 3rd solo. We disscussed the coming Sectional meeting at San Diego-but it looks as if we may not have a represenative there. The Spokane stores took most of our money.

Pat Stouffer gave her report on the International Convention at our July meeting held the Sunday after. Anna Brenner and "Little Sister" Betty Locken (from Ukiah) were there. Also "Little Sister" Anita Conley of Vallejo, Pat, June. and Hazel from Napa.

We (Pat, June, and Hazel) had a wonderful time at the convention. We flew up in Bridgeford's 175 and had perfect performance both ways. The activities were very well worked out, the food was delicious at every meal, and the friendliness of all was outstanding, as at every 99 meeting.

Thanks to all those members of the Northwest Section who worked so hard to make the convention such a memorable good time.

Our June meeting was held in Santa Rosa at Anna Brenner's lovely home. Pat and I flew over in a 175 and were met by Nellie who drove us to Anna's. We had a good lunch and discussed the coming convention. Pat was elected delegate.

"Little Sister" Betty Lochen entertained us at her lovely home in Ukiah at our May meeting. Pat, June, her husband 49½er Dennis, flew up with John Adams of Petaluma in his 182. "Little Sisters" Betty Smith and Anita Conley flew up with me in a 172.

Betty invited Betty Haynes and Nelsyne Jones, who most of us met for the 1st time and instantly liked. We have all felt Betty's death and send our sincere sympathy to her husband and family.

We reported on the Sectional meeting in Van Nuys and discussed the coming International Meeting at Spokane and the Derby. Betty served us a delicious luncheon. She and her husband, Dr. Lee, are wonderful hosts. Thanks, 'Little Sister' and Lee.

In May we had a surprise visit from Polly Stoehr and sister Nel. Allender. They had to land at Napa County because their battery went dead and they were afraid to land at Oakland or Hayward without a radio. Hushand Caesar, always alert to women in distress, and keeping an eye out for homeless 99'ers, phoned me to come an dtake care of my flying grandmothers. We had a wonderful weekend chat and the following Saturday met them at the Nut Tree, on their Flying Farmer's tour, for breakfast. Thanks, Polly and Nell, come again. Congrat's, Nell, on your solo.

The Sectional Meeting was our April meeting. It was very nice even though the weather wasn't. At least it was open to arrivals on Friday and departures on Sunday.

Thanks to all the gals of that local for their gracious hospitality, espector their gracious hospital, especially Jan Wood, Lois Zdenek, and Louis Robertson, who happened to be our special guardian angels.

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SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER

By Jeanne P. Strahl

Renee Brown was hostess for our August meeting. We gathered around her patio and had a most delightful evening while we listened to the exciting adventures of our Chapter's race contestants. This was Virginia Hall, Shirley Robinson and Lois Zdeneka's first TAR. Audrey Schutte

raced for the second time and Jean Parker Rose is our veteran of many races as well as winner twice.

We had one of our largest attendances at the August meeting. Twenty members and their guests. Nomination of officers for our chapter's September elections was discussed. Also the chapter's program for the ensuing months. Our spot landing fly-in to Santa Paula has been set up to Sept. 19 to avoid the dates of the San Diego Sectional meeting. It was agreed we would invite the San Gabriel, Los Angeles and Long Beach Chapters to join us again this year at our annual Christmas dinner. Renee had to leave the evening as soon as she served refreshments. Duty called her to the Veterans Hospital where she is presently working Really looked pretty in her Florence Nightingale uniform and perky cap.

We missed Audrey Schutte at the meeting. No sooner had Audrey returned from the TAR and Convention than she packed again and was on her way to Texas with the children to join her husband who is attending the National Guard helicopter school

for a month.

Lola and Ed Ricci are now devoting full time to their photography business. Frankly we don't know how Lola keeps up this busy pace. To add to her activities as our Chapter Chairman this year Lola has been entertaining out-of-town guests all summer, obtaining her instrument rating, starting a photography business and assisting Ed toward his flying license.

Donna Fisher hasn't been the same since she won the spot landing contest at Whitman Air Park. Donna had a lot of rugged competition which makes the prize even more deserving.

Clara and Walt David had three delightful weekends in their Cessna 182. Their flight plan took them thru Illinois. Michigan and all the southern states. Clara was so enthused over the performance of the 182 we don't think we'll ever see her fly the 172 again.

Liz Crowley had a perfect flite to Reno and Las Vegas in her Cessna 172 recently. Good weather all the way.

Had a newsy letter from our good will ambassadors Del and Trixie Ann Schubert and family. Trixie borrowed a plane in order to get a better look at their temporary home in the state of Washington as well as neighboring Canada. Trixie writes of the spectacular beauty of the Pacific Northwest. By the time this goes to press the Schuberts should be in Germany—the first stop on their trip thru Europe which should keep them away for a year.

We owe a vote of thanks to Loretta Foy Savory for the work she did when the aviation bills were before the state legislature last month. If it hadn't been for the quick action and keen perception on the part of Loretta and a few of our aviation friends we might well be the dupes of several bills which were sure to be passed if heavy pressure had not been applied by the private flying industry. The bills, if reinforced as planned would mean a California flying acense in addition to the present federal license as well as state control of the airways. These bills are passed quickly and quietly. Each of us must keep alert and well informed on all phases of this aviation business. If we go flying around with our heads in the cockpit without an occasional check for our bearings we could find ourselves grounded.

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