



The Ninety-Nines, Inc.
INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION OF WOMEN PILOTS

News Letter

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## SEE YOU IN SAN DIEGO

JULY 5-8

### President's Column

June, 1961

To each Governor and Chapter Chairman: Be sure your Section or Chapter is represented by your quota of delegates for the 1961 Convention business meeting July 6th in San Diego.

To each Ninety-Nine, wherever you may live, lay out a course for southern California, and reserve the dates July 1 to 8. Stay for the entire week if possible, and remember that 49½ers are always welcome.

Tornado warnings and generally bad weather failed to deter the South Central Section members from arriving in Stillwater, Oklahoma, May 5-7 for their Spring meeting. Chairman Arlene Walkup was ably assisted by the entire Oklahoma Chapter. Saturday morning was spent getting dual on floats and receiving demonstration flights by Beech and Cessna dealers. Governor Randy Sutherland handled the business meeting with efficiency allowing time for visiting prior to the evening banquet. This was replete with door prizes galore, a hilarious tale of the personal adventure of Jo Allison on one of the air races, a description of some of the physical and physiological tests for Astronauts by Wally Funk who had recently experienced them at the Lovelace Clinic in New Mexico and the trials of Flighty Lady in earning her pilot's license.

Returning home in a DC7, I could relax and let the crew cope with an engine failure while landing in Tulsa during bare instrument minimums.

One week later, Anne Roethke and I left Milwaukee for Portland, City of Roses, in her Tri-Pacer where we received a royal welcome from the recently organized Oregon Chapter. We had zigged and zagged over the plains states and the northern Rockies dodging bad weather, but finally had a breathtakingly beautiful flight down the Columbia River gorge just before

sunset. Coming from a section of the country where things are just beginning to turn green, it was delightful to be driven by Chairman Marcella Othus up into the hills past multi-colored gardens where we met the other members of the Orgeon Chapter who had flown in from all over the state, and had lunch looking out over the city toward Mount Hood and Mount St. Helens standing perfectly clear of clouds against the horizon. (This is being written in Bellingham, Washington, and we are hoping "weather" will permit us to fly over the Cascades on our way home.)

Graziella Sartori of Rome, Italy, will be spending the month of June in the United States visiting many of our cities and I hope many of the Ninety-Nines here will have a chance to meet her.

Till I see you in San Diego . . .

As ever,

*Deedo*

Eugenia Heise  
President

### A Reminder

We appreciate the donations to support the AWTAR that many chapters have sent in. For those of you who haven't been heard from yet, please make your checks payable to All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race, Inc., and send them either to the race office, 2611 East Spring St., Long Beach 6, Calif., or send it to me, your Ways and Means Chairman.

Margaret Ringenberg,  
Chairman, Ways and  
Means Committee  
9902 Hosler Road  
Grabill, Indiana

### Pilots Briefing

No News Letter in July—watch for big post convention issue in August.

### 1961 AWTAR

Entries close June 20. If you are a last minute entry—please send your application by AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY, to Headquarters, 2611 East Spring St., Long Beach 6, Calif., so all information will arrive in time for the official program.

Remember the dates: Impound at San Diego, July 3, 1961; take-off, July 8, 1961; deadline to finish, July 12, 1961.

Those of you who are not racing this year can see the race at the en-route stops. Following is a list of the Ninety-Nine members who are in charge of the stops. If you are able to be at any one of these and can help with race operations there please contact anyone of these girls. We can always use extra help at these airports and it is very exciting to see the racers as they come through.

Yuma, Ariz., Mrs. Martha Cholewski, 110 Mamino de las Colinas, Redondo Beach, Calif.

Tucson, Ariz., Mrs. Shirley Marshall, 4032 Calle Chica, Tucson, Ariz.

El Paso, Texas, 3140 Aurora Ave., El Paso, Texas.

Midland, Texas, Mrs. Velma Lee Copeland, 3309 Thomas, Midland, Texas.

Abilene, Texas, Mrs. Mary Cree, 1458 Tanglewood Rd., Abilene, Texas.

Dallas, Texas, Mrs. Martha Ann Reading, 2704 Milton Ave., Dallas 5, Texas.

Shreveport, La., Mrs. Helen Hewitt, 840 Poleman Road, Shreveport, La.

Jackson, Miss., Mrs. Barbara Reith-Maier, P. O. Box 10563, Jackson 9, Miss.

Montgomery, Ala., Mrs. Juanita Halstead, 4307 So. Court St., Montgomery, Ala.

Greenville, S. C., Mrs. Frances Miller, 215 So. Edisto Ave., Columbia, S. C.

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**The 25th Of Each Month**

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504-B Belview Dr., Falls Church, Va.

The AWTAR Board wishes to express their sincere thanks to all the Ninety-Nine members who are working on the many committees at San Diego and Atlantic City and all along the race route. To those Ninety-Nines who will be participating in the race, we wish you good flying, good fun and good luck on your trip. To all the Ninety-Nines everywhere, thanks for your very fine support of the annual AWTAR.

Board of Directors

**Coming Events****July 5-8**

International Convention  
San Diego, Calif.

**July 8-12**

AWTAR  
San Diego, Calif.,  
to Atlantic, N. J.

**October 7**

Michigan SMALL Race  
Jackson, Mich.

**Change Of Address**

Bertha M. Meana, Chairman, Western New York Chapter, c/o Cecil W. Nelson, 2134 N. Hudson, Apt. 105, Chicago 14, Illinois.

Marie F. Thompson, Treasurer, Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund, P. O. Box 9756, Riviera Beach, Florida.

Nora Kuhn, Chairman, Montana Chapter, 540 Cleveland, Missoula, Montana.

**Jeanne Spielberg**

On May 2 we had a stupendous turnout for our dinner meeting at Ferdi's Restaurant for the very good reason that our celebrated Jerri Cobb of Oklahoma was the guest speaker. She is a great girl and one can readily understand why she was deemed eligible for the first woman astronaut ready for outer space. Ceil Hamilton introduced Jerri by telling us of her many valuable qualifications which she was able to observe while flying as her co-pilot in an Aero Commander across the Atlantic. And who could have found a better place to observe. Jerri thrilled us with her information about the 16 women who are now being tested at Lovelace Foundation in Albuquerque for their suitability as women astronauts and all of them are 99's. How about that! Seven or nine of them will ultimately be selected. She gave us a run-down on the various rigorous tests she endured for which she had to train extensively and intensively. She pointed out that women are more suitable in some respects for outer space travel than men, due to size, weight, emotional stability, less susceptibility to radio-activity. In other areas men are better equipped for the task. After Jerri's very interesting talk, we asked questions and she happily answered all. Marion Lopez, our governor, presented Jerri with a 99 silver pin and asked her to wear it on her first trip to the moon. Our hats off to Jerri Cobb.

We were also very fortunate to have with us Paul Coulhardt of Nafec our Atlantic City host. He extended his felicitations to us and is ready to welcome all of us in July—and you will want to greet him.

It was good to see some folks we had not seen in a while, Joe Crane and his wife, Elmo Pickerill, Dr. Clara Gross, Alma Harwood, back from Arizona, and her son, Charles Harwood Jr., Felicity Brunelli, Magda Tacke, Dr. Ruth Cheney Streeter, World War II head of Women Marines, Dr. Dorothy Stratton, head of Spars (auxiliary of Coast Guard women

World War II), and former national director of Girl Scouts, USA, Clara Struder, one of our original organizers of the 99's. Novie Davenport brought three Wing Scouts with her from Irvington-on-the-Hudson, Donna Cuff, Jo Ann and Kathy Gilchrist.

Our second historic event for the month of May was the presentation of a charter to our new Eastern Long Island Chapter. Margaret Potts accepted it in behalf of the girls who could not be present. The formation of this new chapter and the Taunton, Massachusetts Air Race gave us a wonderful opportunity to spend the weekend at Montauk, the very farthest point of Long Island. We greeted the girls upon their arrival at the Montauk strip and all had a delightful leisurely luncheon. There were 16 planes, about 30 girls, 10 of whom were from the New York-New Jersey Section. We are proud of Selma Cronan and Arax Simsarian, the flying milk-maids, for receiving a trophy for second place, Doris Abbate and sister, Arlene for fourth place and Chris Winzer for fifth. Many, many thanks to our very capable hostesses at Montauk and the Aero Club for showing us such a good time.

**Eleanor Horn**

The April fly-in luncheon was held at Worcester Municipal Airport, Worcester, Mass., April 30. Final plans were discussed for the All-Women New England Air Race to take place May 20. Ninety-Nine members present at the meeting included Anne Baddour, Eleanor Horn, Alma Gallagher, Marie Lapore, Pat Russell, Ora Stevens, Lois Dobbin, Isabelle Blodgett, and guests Alice Mansfield and Cris Winzer, N.Y.-N.J. Other guests included Fran Porter, Margaret Rose, Terry Donahue, Virginia Cogswell, Beverly Larter, Charlotte Paige, Janice Wood—guests joining us for lunch were Jean Batchelder, Eldora Burhill, C. R. Batchelder, Merwin Horn and Richard Banks.

On May 20, a large crowd was present at the Taunton Airport to watch the race contestants get airborne shortly after 10 a.m., with 16 planes and 30 girls competing. The contestants arrived Friday afternoon with marginal weather—overcast skies and light drizzle, but Friday morn found perfect race weather on hand. The course was from Taunton to New London, Conn., and back on to Montauk, L. I., for lunch at the Flying Fish Restaurant. After the luncheon the race contestants took off for a landing at Westerly, R. I., then back to Taunton, Mass., for the termination



of the race. Early in the evening race results were tabulated with the contestants placing as follows:

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| 4. TIE<br>Isobelle Blodgett<br>Chris Seaver | Cessna 172   |
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| 7. TIE<br>Page Shamburger<br>Maxine Walker  | Bonanza      |
| Dorothy Julik                               | Mooney Mite  |
| 8. Mina Elschner                            | Ercoupe      |
| 9. Sara Haydon<br>Alice Mansfield           | Cessna 175   |
| 10. Pat Arnold                              | Cessna 172   |
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Friday evening the women pilots were given a reception followed by the awards banquet.



### ALABAMA CHAPTER Gertrude C. Luther

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tour through the Aviation Technical Institute at Lewis College, located at the airport. E. A. DaRosa, director of the institute, conducted the tour. The institute is the most complete and well equipped in the country. Alice DeWitt, in her J-3, walked off with the spot landing prize.

The Aero Space Medicine convention brought Dr. William R. Bernard of Springfield to Chicago and the April Ninety-Nine meeting. He discussed the symptoms and dangers of reduced oxygen at altitudes above 10,000 feet.

The recent unseasonal showers, snow and low ceilings did not discourage all 99's in the Chicago Area. Mary Beritch flew a Cub Cruiser through snow showers. June Lore chose a snowy, gusty, rainy day to take a friend up for his first ride in a light plane (J-5). He has a large dose of Dramamine on order for the next trip. Limited visibility did not stop Nita Fineman from heading south with family and baggage packed into "Small Fly". She was delighted to meet 99's Betty McNabb (Georgia) and Gertrude Luther (Alabama) at Albany, Ga. They had just flown in from a West Indies trip.

Chicago Area 99's were well represented at the North Central Sectional meeting at Champaign, Ill., with 53 per cent attendance and were thrilled to win the attendance trophy a second year.

Vacation time must be here. Eva and Harold White have beautiful Florida tans after three weeks in the Tampa-St. Petersburg area. Lita and Lloyd Misiowiec leave this week in their Mooney for a five day fishing trip at Emo, Ontario. Dorothy Anderson is spending three weeks in the Bahamas. The Kol'eshs, Louise and Ray, took a weekend for fly-in visits to a cousin in Springfield and parents in Wausau, Wis.

#### MICHIGAN CHAPTER

**Marian I. Hoffman**

I missed the meeting in April. It was at Battle Creek with a tour of the Sage Base in the afternoon. The weather was poor, low ceiling with forecast of sleet or freezing rain or snow. All you had to do was go about 25 miles to get different weather—all bad.

The May meeting was held at Lansing, May 21, "Armed Forces Day." Business meeting at 10 a.m.; Sander-son Ground School films afterwards. Air Force demonstration on field about 2 p.m. The weather, early that morning was IFR so everyone drove to the meeting—17 members, one delinquent member, two prospective members and two guests.

Everyone seems to have been busy. Jesse Wolke flew to the North Central Section meeting in Champaign, taking Leah Higgins and Helen Wetherill in the family Stinson. I'm sure one or two others of the Michigan Chapter



South Central Section 99's at Spring Sectional meeting in Stillwater, Okla.

attended but was unable to get names and method of travel. Our chapter has awarded a scholarship to Jay Kleinert of Jackson, elementary coordinator, Michigan Center Public Schools. This scholarship with an award given by the Womans Aeronautical Association of Detroit, will send Mr. Kleinert to the Aviation Education Workshop held at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Jean Reynolds gave a talk on flying before the first and second grades of Dibble School, Jackson. Also arranged a tour of Jackson Airport for the same group (80 children). She obtained a film on aviation from the Michigan Department of Aeronautics which was shown to all of Dibble School.

Mary Creason is finishing ground school instrument course. Last week-end, she got in two and a half hours under the hood in "Pup Dog." Marge Sanders is back from a two week Caribbean cruise on the T. S. Bremen. Visited nine ports, including a trip to Caracas, Venezuela. The food and weather were excellent and she recommends it to anyone who wants to relax. Bernie Steadman is tanned and glowing after three wonderful weeks sailing on a 70-foot ketch with Janey Hart, Louise Hyde and four other gals. Sailed from Grenada to Antigua, BWI. Also flew Janey Hart's new Aero Commander. Trimble Aviation is now the Piper dealer for Flint and Bernie had a visit from Mr. Piper Sr.—a wonderful man. Her new address is 12214 North McKinley Rd., Montrose, Mich., on what she says is the most beautiful 20 acres in the world.



#### OKLAHOMA CHAPTER

Wind, rain, hail and twisters kept attendance down for the spring sectional at Stillwater, Okla., the week-

end of May 5. Only a very few brave 99's were able to fly in from the southwest, and getting back home by plane on Sunday was a greater problem. In spite of the foul weather on Friday and Sunday, we had a fine group, as shown by the picture. We were proud to have Deedo Heise and Ruth Deerman, international officers, and Belle Hetzel and Broneta Evans, past presidents, with us.

We all enjoyed the informal party in the huge play room and patio at the Walkup home Friday night. We had our dessert first—the pink sherbert specialty of Jo Allison and Martha Ann. After all the hot dogs and trimmings, we couldn't do justice to a beautiful cake, but enjoyed it with coffee Saturday morning at the airport.

The weather cooperated Saturday morning, so we all went out to the airport and took turns flying the Oklahoma State University seaplane and twin Beech. Tulsa Piper, Cessna and Beech dealers brought over a Skylark, Comanche and Beech Debonair for the girls to fly. Cake and coffee kept our energy up for a busy day. Hoyt Walkup instructed in the twin Beech and Tyner Lapsley of the university in the seaplane. Norene Lapsley, our most valuable "non-member," took care of all the registrations and many other jobs, and deserves an award for her service to our chapter.

Jean Williams and Arlene Walkup were the real hostesses, with the meeting Stillwater, and besides the necessary work involved, gathered up over 50 gifts from merchants in town, which were given as door prizes at the luncheon and banquet on Saturday at the student union building of the university—in addition to "loot bags" found on each chair at the banquet.

The Tulsa Piper dealer hosted our Saturday night cocktail parties in a plush way—before and after the banquet. Our radio and screen entertainment was most unusual, comical and educational. Will only say that Hoyt and Deedo were the "stars." Wally Funk gave a very interesting resume



of her week long experience of tests for space flight as one of our nation's lady astronauts. Congratulations to Wally.

Since the official registration list is not at hand, I will give the names of those members pictured.

Front row (left to right): Jean Williams, Donna Lee "Old" Shirley, Doris Weller, Barbara Speed, Velma Lee Copeland, Randy Sutherland (section governor), Broneta Evans, Deedo Heise, Marie Engelman, Ruth Deerman, Belle Hetzel, Josephine Allison, Rita Eaves and Arlene Walkup.

Back row (left to right): Mary Lester, Louise Bickford, Susie Sewell, Gene Nora Stumbaugh, Martha Ann Reading, Irene Kay, Mary Frances Seidl, Gertrude Howard, Hazel Guy, Hazle Nealey, Helen Hewitt, Dottie Ports, Mary Burke, Mildred Early, Sarah Gorelick, Dorothy Morgan, Beth Smith, Ruth Craig Jones, Wally Funk II, Nema Masonhall, "Skip" Carter.

We are all looking forward to our next meeting on June 11 at Fort Sill, Okla. Wally Funk will be our hostess with the help of four prospective 99's there. Luncheon and business meeting is scheduled at the officers' club after a tour of the post.

#### ABILENE CHAPTER

**Peggy Hawes**

April brought forth air marking and with seven girls (lucky seven) we sallied out and marked. The weather was not so kind to us—a combination of cold, mist, and hot. With Pauline Glassman's able tutelage last year, we are efficient and waste less time marking. It is a pleasure to work with this group.

With a 30 knot crosswind our May meeting found us flying to Albany as guests in the home of JoAnn Dinsmoor. I do not know if she has sent her papers to headquarters yet but we hope she is in our chapter soon. She is an enthusiastic aviatrix and certainly a gracious hostess. She and her husband, Arthur, plus two charmers, Roseanne and Lissie, met our planes and feted us to a Texas style luncheon. Delicious! Patty Taliaferro and Ruby Calwell arranged plans for May and we were our respective pilots that day.

#### HOUSTON CHAPTER

**Nancy Jameson**

Well—we all hoped for good flying weather at the sectional meeting in Stillwater . . . good old Tornado Alley did it again! Only Gertrude Howard and our newest member, Louise Bickford, made it. They drove up in 11 hours and our Louise collected the most amazing number of prizes. She received a barometer for driving the farthest, this now hangs proudly in our headquarters. Louise also received a gift for being the newest member, one for having the fewest flying hours and then she won the door prize at the

luncheon! The weekend was beautifully planned and we all appreciate the efforts of the Oklahoma girls. Thank you and forgive us for not arriving en masse . . . the weather, you know.

Houston Chapter's Francis Castleberry presented, for 99's international, a trophy to the Most Outstanding Woman Pilot in the National Intercollegiate Flying Association. Laura Dreyton of St. Cloud, Minn., is truly a lovely and accomplished young woman. Again, our congratulations.

Have you heard about our Rhea Hurrel having had all the strenuous physical tests to make her eligible for a place in the women's astronaut group? She spent about two weeks at Lovelace, N. M., with 15 other women pilots. Conclusion, women are better and have more of the necessary—except physical strength than men. She is now waiting word which will send her to Florida for the battery of psychological tests.

#### DALLAS CHAPTER

**Mary M. Gauss**

The Dallas Chapter has been fortunate in having very good attendance, both members and guests, for the past few months. Martha Robinson was hostess to our March meeting. The following month, April 27, we had a dinner meeting at the Marriott Motor Hotel. Such delicious food! Our May 25 meeting will be held at the home of our pretty little chairman, Jerry Sloan.

The last time we talked to Henry Stuart at Addison, plans for the AW-TAR stop sounded just real exciting. We hope that we see all of you—"the more the merrier".

We had three very thrilled delegates at the Stillwater sectional several weeks ago—thrilled because they all had a ride in the seaplane—now we all would like a seaplane rating.

#### TULSA CHAPTER

**Agnes Hellman**

There is a kind of electricity in the air these last few days before the Sky Lady Derby Race. Since our fair chapter chairman is also an energetic member of WNAA, she (Pat Bauer, that is) has been made chairman of that race committee. So naturally we are all giving at least our moral support to the Sky Lady Derby. Hope to see a lot of you people out at our Riverside Airport that day.

Our spring hangar dance at Harvey Young Airport turned out to be a cozy, semi-private party, but it was great fun and in spite of the weather we made a sizeable profit; enough, at least, to make us feel justified for the work we put into it.

Agnes Hellman (that's me) and her 49½er, Paul, hied away to the Georgia coast for a short holiday of rest and relaxation to get into shape for the end-of-school activities that will engulf them the end of May.

Jean Thomas and 49½er, Chuck, will be opening soon at the Western Hills Lodge on Fort Gibson Reservoir for an all-summer engagement. If you get there during the summer, be sure to look for Jeannie; she's that cute little organist in the big dining room.

Mary Helen Burke was our only representative at the spring sectional meeting in Stillwater, and for that we are embarrassed; but she reports that it was fascinating and she is planning to attend all the sectional meetings hereafter.

#### COLORADO CHAPTER

**Donna Myers**

No May meeting was held—in place of it—the Colorado Chapter held a rummage sale on May 9—picking up a nice amount for the treasury. And in June, Grace Longbrook will have us over to her house for her annual steak cook-out.

Weather really moved into Denver the weekend of the Stillwater, Okla., sectional meet—leaving Mary Wenzholz, Helen Choun, Marion Tankersley, Frances Warner, Mary Frenzel and Jo Dennis sitting on the ground right here. Much to their disgust.

Chairman Grace Longbrook was elected Flying Farmer Queen for Colorado at the Pueblo meeting that weekend—most proud of her.

Your reporter got a real thrill this week—got a ride in a Stearman—open cockpit—me complete with helmet, goggles and a pair of borrowed coveralls about two sizes too large. Been some years since being in a bi-wing. Much fun. And the Myers are off to Indianapolis shortly for the "500".

#### CORPUS CHRISTI CHAPTER

**Merle Dunnam**

We had a combination meeting and air marking trip in the Valley the 3rd, 4th and 5th of May. Veda Tennent, Pauline Glasson and Lena Jackson (prospective member) left Corpus the 3rd and stayed overnight with Ardath McCreery in McAllen. Wednesday morning Ada Toland joined us; we did four air markers. Wednesday night we stayed with LaJee Pearson; had our meeting there. We had eight at the meeting, two prospective members. Jean Moore from McAllen and Lucile Van Tyne from Harlingen. LaJee was grounded due to having a wisdom tooth extracted. Friday we did three air markers on our way home.

Tuesday, the 9th, Blanche Noyes flew in from Little Rock where she had been weathered in four days. Blanche treated Pauline, Veda and their 49½ers to a fish dinner in Rockport.

#### ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER

**Mary Morgan**

With Randy being such a busy gal these days with the redecorating of her home and the many trips she takes, I will try to pinch hit for her on reporting some of the activities of

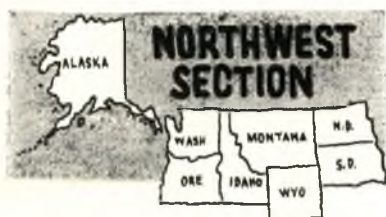


our chapter.

In March we met at the home of Velma Woods for an enjoyable evening. Mr. Norman of the FAA was our guest and explained in detail the functions of the Flight Following Service. Five 99's and their 49ers were able to attend.

Irene Kay was our hostess for the April meeting. Seven of our members were present. After the business meeting, our 49½ers joined us for refreshments and a session of hangar flying.

Our May meeting was held in the home of Marie Grossetete. Six of our members and their 49½ers attended this meeting. Randy and Irene gave us a report of the sectional meeting they attended in Stillwater. Sounds like they really had a wonderful time—even though the weather was not as perfect as it could have been. During the past month several of our members made some trips. Betty Burritt and 49½er flew to California to visit Betty's family. They just happened to end up in Phoenix on their return for an overnight visit with their friends there.



#### IDAHO CHAPTER

Helen Higby

To start with the present and work backwards, as our news has been sadly neglected. The Idaho 99's are anxiously anticipating our coming "All Idaho Lady Pilots Derby" scheduled for June 10. The Boise Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring this race and many Idaho 99's are participating. The race starts in Boise, with mandatory stops at Gooding, Burley, Twin Falls, Mountain Home and ending in Boise. The course is 308 miles. There will be a static display and air show at the Boise Airport at the termination of the race.

Our May meeting was held May 13 at the Thunderbird with Andrew Bowles, aviation chairman of the Boise Chamber of Commerce, as guest speaker to give us tips on the coming race.

The annual "hangar dance" held April 15, in the Boise Hotel ballroom, was a huge success. Guests came from all over the state as this has become "THE" annual get-together of all old time friends in aviation. The Idaho Flying Farmers had their annual state-wide convention in Boise on the same day so that they could attend our dance.

Since you last heard from us—Eula Logsdon has recovered from a major operation. Joanne Nelson and her hus-

band flew to Mexico for an extended tour. Fran Brown has retired from her photography business. Goldie Marshall has a new son-in-law. Eloise Stover has a new son. Claire Justad is anticipating a new son (or daughter). Hilda Elliott now has a 195 and a 170. Millie and Shirl Shinn had a "wild" weekend in Reno. Ruth Hillman has a new grandson. Bob and Claire Justad are still reliving their trip to Europe. Millie Shinn and Helen Higby have become members of the Owyhee Soaring Society to be affiliated with the S.S.A. They can't wait to try their wings without a motor.

The Higbys and Hillmans flew a 172 to American Falls for a Flying Farmer potluck on the Gilbert Breeding's private strip. There were airplanes parked in the front yard like buggys in days gone by.

As of March 3 our Virginia Craine became Mrs. John Cook Jr.

Our April meeting was held at the home of Margaret Gigray, Caldwell, Idaho. Joe Driscoll, the Caldwell airport operator, was guest speaker.

#### ALASKA CHAPTER

Helen Stoddard

Our May meeting was held on the 11th at Don's Green Apple Cafe with the following present: Ruth O'Buck, Pat McGee, Pat Gilda, Marion Zaegel, Liz Krakaw, Helen Stoddard and a visitor, Sharon Parker.

We are proud of our vice chairman, Pat McGee. She has won several prizes in the 1960 Newspaper Snapshot Award. She won three prizes from the local contest from the Anchorage Daily Times newspaper and her snapshot was sent to Washington to compete in the national. She received a certificate of merit from Washington. From now on we shall see that she takes all pictures for the 99's.

Pat McGee is leaving soon for a month's vacation at Seaside, Ore., and Boise, Idaho. Pat Gilda and her 49½er flew to Naknek to look over the fishing sites there. The weather cooperated with them and they were able to make the trip down and back in one day.

You girls in the Red Wood City-San Mateo area be on the lookout for Mae Fields who has left our chapter and is living in that area. She will be a help to your chapter.

Liz Krakaw will go to McKinley Park in June to spend two weeks vacation camping out in her Mircobus. We all envy her a bit.

The ice went out on the lakes and everyone is busy getting their ships on floats. Ruth O'Buck, Lavelle Betz and Marion Zaegel are on floats.

Lorraine Eriksson was the first to take off the lake after it broke up. This is always a news worthy item up here. We know that when the first ship takes off Lake Spenard spring has come at last. This was on May 7.

Our chairman, Lois Stark, treated us to a dinner before she left for the states to live.

Anyone wanting to correspond with us should write to Pat McGee at 2402 Tulik Lane or otherwise we may not receive your mail.

#### MONTANA CHAPTER

Marjorie J. Rolle

We hope that the weather cooperated and that our president, "Deedo," was able to complete her trip across Montana into Portland. Pud Lovelace and her 49½er were most surprised by Deedo's drop-in visit at Bozeman, Mont., on the weekend of May 13. She picked a good day to visit the airport as the flying services and chamber of commerce were holding a fly-in breakfast and activities on that weekend. Sorry more of our Montana 99's could not visit with Deedo.

Aileen Gray flew co-pilot in a Bonanza for a quick trip to San Francisco the first of the month. She attended an Avis convention at the Palace Hotel.

Five airplanes flew into Bozeman for the meeting on May 13. Sorry I couldn't make the meeting but heard that those attending were Jimmy Kuhn, Elsie Hartley, Norma Rossignol, Laulette Hansen, Pud Lovelace, and a brand new private pilot, Betty Nunn from Great Falls.

Inza Riedesel and her 49½er are now home after spending the winter in sunny climates. Understand they had quite a boat trip along the coast of Mexico, just ask Inza, and then lots of sun fun at Palm Springs.

Marge Rolle and her 49½er returned from a nice trip. They flew their Bonanza to Denver, where they were entertained by Marge's ex-boss and several FAA officials of Denver. Then on down to the beautiful Broadmoor Hotel at Colorado Springs for four days, where they attended the annual Association of Airport Executives convention. A visit to the Air Force Academy was a highlight of the meeting. Traveling on south, they spent four days in Phoenix, Ariz., and two days in Las Vegas. Were real lucky and had good flying weather the whole trip.

Pud's 49½er, after several operations and many weeks in the hospital, is back on board again, and flew down to Billings with Pud for a quick visit this month.

#### EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

Marie L. Reynnells

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE OUR NEWS LETTER INFORM US OF CURRENT LEGISLATION?

Members present at our May 20 meeting held at the Spokane Flying Service thought this had merit and would make our letter more vital. Present the issues, let us make our own decisions, and write our congressmen and senators. How about this? It



takes positive action—at the right time—reaching the right people, to get results. There is no time for apathy in flying.

Good attendance and high interest marked our April meeting in Walla Walla at Martin's Field. Lunch was at McGee's where several 49½ers joined us. Donations for AWTAR and Amelia Earhart Funds are rolling in. Each member who contributed received a picture of Amelia Earhart. These are just right for framing and add a personal touch to a den or office. Films of previous races were shown and enjoyed. Makes one want to go, go, go!

Guests at our April meeting were Bonnie Henson, Elaine Johnson and Lauribel Harrison. Bonnie is well on her way to a private ticket and was crowned Flying Farmer Queen May 6 in Yakima. She will join our ranks soon.

Air marking continues to hold top priority and is one project meeting with unanimous approval.

Jean Carbon will be co-pilot with Iris Critchel in the AWTAR. Iris recently flew to Costa Rica and she and Jean brought back the Carbon Beech. Jean is in California at the present time. Hope to see and hear from her at our June 17 meeting.

Lygie Hagen will be our delegate at the convention and Minnie Boyd, alternate. Barbara Thisted may also attend the convention.

An interesting brochure from the Aviation and Space Education Workshop to be held July 24 through Aug. 4 at Central Washington College of Education in Ellensburg arrived. Gini Richardson, Yakima, is director of the workshop aimed primarily for educators (all levels), and interested youth organization leaders. Interesting tours and courses of study are planned. Sounds like a timely program and a pleasant way to get three credit hours.

This is the time of year when fly-in breakfasts and dinners really make sense. Just can't wait to get to some of them. Best of flying!



#### PHOENIX CHAPTER Kay Pattison

After dining at the "Feed Bag" in Mesa, we held our April business meeting at Mary Weaver's lovely home on the Apache Trail east of the city. Plans were made to attend the spring sectional at Palo Alto, Calif. Our Alice Roberts, governor of the Southwest Section, flew over in her Bonanza. Bad weather forced cancellation of everyone else's plans in our chapter.

Jimmye Lou Shelton watches the TV Spanish course and attends Arizona State University on Saturdays. Pat Lambart has completed her course in German at Phoenix College. Marie Kingsberry, a potential 99, has logged over 40 hours and is studying to pass her written examination. Marjorie Crowl grammed for her B-25 type rating as much as five hours dual a day, and passed in less than a week! Pat Runyan and Dorothy McCoud have entered the Powder Puff Derby. We wish them luck. Juanita Newell, busy as usual, flew back from L.A. in time to serve as hostess for our May meeting.

Mrs. Melba Beard, Arizona's first lady to receive an airframe mechanic certificate, has now completed the aircraft power plant course at the Phoenix Technical School enabling her to build and service aircraft. It represents four years of study. She also plans to attend a meeting of early women pilots (initial group who learned to fly during the 1929-33 era) being held in Palm Springs May 21. The Beards entertained Ester Stone of the Eastern Idaho Chapter and her husband as house guests during the past week.

#### BAKERSFIELD CHAPTER Peggy Archer

Last Sunday our chapter dispensed with all business and spent the day basking in the sun and shade, by the newly finished swimming pool of Bertha Haycock. Bert and her 49½er hosted the girls and their families at the Haycock ranch for a picnic lunch and a day of frolicing. Those of you who were unable to come out certainly missed a wonderful afternoon. This reporter had been up to Merced for the fourth annual antique aircraft show for the weekend and the cool water of the pool was a welcome relief from the hot sun. And to make the day just right, we opened the bottle of champagne won by Peggy Archer and Rhoda Thompson for being the first to fly in to Palo Alto for the spring sectional last month. Bay Cities, we thank you, it was delicious.

Rhoda Thompson and her 49½er flew to Montana a couple of weeks ago and ran into weather outside of Dillon, Mont., and had to sit it out for a couple of hours. While there, she ran into Deedo Heise, our president, and her companion Ann Roethke, who were also waiting out weather, only they were westward bound. Rhoda said that it was a very pleasant way of spending "waiting out" time, chatting with Deedo.

I would like to take this way of saying "Thank You" to the Bay Cities Chapter, on behalf of all the Bakersfield girls who attended spring sectional at Palo Alto, for making our weekend one to remember. As for Rhoda and myself, this was our first

sectional and we both came home feeling that we had spent one of the finest weekends ever.

#### SAN DIEGO CHAPTER Elsie G. Watson

On Saturday, May 13, we had our annual spring dance to honor the San Diego race contestants and their sponsors. Our able dance chairmen, Harriet Allen and Ruth Propsner and their committee, not only provided a very enjoyable party but thereby added some money to our coffers as well.

A twosome on May 9, Martha Mullen and Aileen Saunders both received their multi-engine ratings. On May 5th Dottie Sanders received her air wings from Flotilla 812 of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and is rightfully very proud of them. Other San Diego Chapter members of the Air Wing are Lois Bartling, Betty Lambert, Aileen Saunders, Gina Pournelle and Leah Hanlon.

Another laurel from San Diego's Powder Puff Derby winner—Aileen Saunders was named El Cajon's "Woman of the Year" and honored at a citizen's award banquet for being a winner, for her activities in air search and rescue and being named Woman Pilot of the Year by the National Pilot's Association. She took off from Gillespie Field near El Cajon today bound for Fort Myers, Fla., and loaded with official greetings including a lei from the governor of Hawaii. She will participate in the International Air Race from Fort Myers, Fla., to Nassau. The busy gal is also a new member of the San Diego Chapter of Zonta.

Ummmm—How good! Home made cream puffs and coffee is what Jackie Brooks served us at the May meeting held at her home. Guests included Phil Rowe and Sandy Fleet of the Junior Chamber of Commerce; Mrs. Wingoe, Wing Scout leader; Abbie Haddaway of Western New York Chapter; Pat Cronin of the Minnesota Chapter; and prospective members Caroline Laywell and Jean Carmichael.

#### SANTA CLARA CHAPTER Helen V. Nelson

Mayetta Behringer, our chapter chairman, has managed to fly a Navy jet on assignment for her local newspaper. But before the actual ride she had to attend lectures on high altitude flying and get checked out in a huge iron tank called a low pressure chamber. This check-out consisted of climbing 5,000 feet a minute to 20,000 feet. But after reaching 30,000 feet, they climbed at only 2,000 feet per minute to 33,000 feet. During this ascent the pressure breathing system took over and Mayetta had to work hard to breathe. But she did—to everyone's satisfaction.

Then she returned to the lecture



room for more lectures, and this time she learned about ejection seats. A practice ejection was finally made, and this experience turned out to be disappointingly mild. But now she was able to receive her certificate from flight physiology and survival certifying that she was ready for the jet flight.

The day arrived. As Mayetta and Lt. Connell taxied down the runway in the F9F jet the noise was deafening, but when the canopy was put down and take-off accomplished the only noise was that of the air-conditioning and pressurization equipment. Her pilot told her to take over the controls—which she did cautiously, at first. But it didn't take long to realize that this powerful thing wanted to be flown, and from then on it became increasingly easy.

One frequent distraction was the way her G-suit inflated with gentle pressure all over her legs and around her middle. But later it got a little strong and her giggles changed to grunts.

After climbing to 42,000 feet out over the Pacific Ocean, they started a dive to break the sound barrier. They did. And as they went through the barrier she was surprised to find that there was little noticeable change in speed or noise—the unusual thing was a slight slipping feeling, and the mach meter read 1.1!

When they returned to Moffett, Mayetta called the control tower for landing instructions. The tower operator didn't seem at all concerned about a woman landing an F9F at Moffett Field!

#### **SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHAPTER** **Helen Mace**

News about the sectional meeting at San Carlos was all very enthusiastic. Take a bow, Bay Cities—I was sorry to miss it and more so when I heard of Chuck Banfe's talk about his flight around the world. Our chapter was well represented with Genevieve Hall, Gerry Mickelson, Ruth Lummis, and Janet Meyers attending plus the following with their husbands: June Devine, Ruth Wagner, Hialeah Reilich, Elaine Lancaster and Florence Breen.

Several grounded planes in our chapter made our planned flight to Orville impractical so May meeting was held at our good standby International Room at Sacramento Municipal Airport.

Our guests were Jaunita Bigler, a 99 from the British West Indies living now in Sacramento, Sally Hopkins on the home stretch for getting her private license, and Joyce Evans with several hours since solo.

June Devine has been enjoying a Bonanza vacation in Mexico—Acapulco and all.

Ruth Lummis took off with Edith Brewer after the meeting, it was one

of those days when it's hard to stay on the ground. Maybe that's where Marianne went also.

Last Minute Deadlines . . . Ruth Wagner's trying to get in the required breakin time for the newly overhauled engine before July and the big race—on a flight to Fresno to discuss TAR plans with Hialeah she ran into Juanita Newell from the Phoenix Chapter at the airport; the world seems smaller when you fly.

Your reporter is enjoying being back in the blue with our home-built Flutterbug; with a 125 Lycoming it takes off in a surprisingly short distance and brought home a trophy Sunday from the AAA fly-in at Merced for short field take-off.

#### **UTAH CHAPTER** **Lucile Christopherson**

Just a bit of news from the Utah scene: We have had wonderful flying weather with the exception of a few days of high, gusty winds. On the whole it has been relatively "spring-like" and the Utah gals have taken advantage with flights in and about the state.

Maxine Nielsen had an outstanding experience flying into the Glen Canyon area during the latter part of April. You might remember that this is rugged terrain which whets one's appetite for additional navigational info. While visiting at the airport she viewed the huge damsite from the expansion bridge and witnessed several helicopters bringing in U. S. government dignitaries who also were getting a bird's eye view of this massive construction job.

Nicky Harding (who not only has a denful of boys her own home) manages to be den mother to several other Cub Scouts. During the month of April (which was Boy Scout (Cub) Aviation Month) she brought her little group to the airport to not only learn about the shop and flight facilities at this local airport and its impact on today's living, but had the opportunity of letting the scouts see what it is like to view their own homes from the air. Her group was part of a larger group of over 1,500 Cub Scouts who were taken to the airport by their den mothers during the month of April to become acquainted with air transportation and local facilities.

Alberta Nicholson, who is directing aviation merit badge work in three Boy Scout troops, made a hurried flight to Burley the early part of May.

Jo Waddoups made a follow-up trip to Bryce Canyon area in regard to the instigating and organizing of a new CAP unit in Panguitch.

Utah Chapter of 99's will be busy gals when the new Salt Lake Municipal administration building is opened on the 17th of June. They will act as guides during the open house.

Ruth Walker has returned from her

Missouri jaunt to visit her family and plans to work out further details on air marking in the state.

During Air Forces Day at Hill Field in Ogden some of Utah's 99's had a chance to view current military aircraft, particularly Eunice Naylor, chapter president, and Jo Waddoups.

All that a Boy Scout troop needs to do to get a free flight at Provo Flying Service in Provo, whose owners are Lucile and Merrill Christopherson, is to be a member of Utah National Parks Council, fully registered nationally, the troop fully uniformed and one-half of the group be first class scouts. Over 800 such scouts have received this free flight during 1961 of date.

See you next month with more news and happenings.

#### **SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER** **Shirley Robinson**

A welcome letter from our chapter chairman, Irene Levertson: "More charter, Denver and Oklahoma City, where I met Carol Craig at headquarters and spent a lot of time with Susie Sewell, Then Wichita, Cheyenne to Billings, Mont. Had just time enough to lunch with Selma Fastie, Then to Salt Lake where I had breakfast with Alberta Nicholson, then home 310B. To top that, went to Seattle and Klamath Falls, Ore., in the 310F."

Virginia Kahse writes from Seattle, via Apache: "We are spending the next month and a half flying around the country. As usual for Seattle, it is raining, and we are just about ready to take off IRF for Portland."

Our gal Virginia Hall, co-pilot for Virginia Graham and her Apache; they will be in No. 1 take-off spot for the 1961 AWTAR. Lauretta Foy Savory will be co-pilot for Nancy Bird Walton from the Australia Chapter in a 250 Comanche. Audrey and Shirley will be sitting home if they don't get busy and get a sponsor. To add a poignant touch, this is the last News Letter you will receive before the race. So lots of luck and safety to all entrants—fly low and slow, and throttle back in the turns.

Ed and Lola Ricci 172'd to Death Valley for a nice trip before Lola had to return to Alabama because of her father's illness. Your reporter's handy Girl Scout calendar records these activities for the last month for general aviation news: to San Diego for the AWTAR with Polly Stoeher and Hilda Reafsnider in Polly's beautiful new Bonanza; Experimental Aircraft Association breakfast fly-in to Corona on the 11th in my Piper Cub; Armed Forces Day at George AFB—flew in the 1929 Gipsy Moth as their guests to contrast with the 104's, etc.; flew to the Antique Airplane Association's West Coast fly-in at Merced the 20th in a Skylark, where the Moth was



awarded the biggest trophy for the best antique of the whole weekend. Saw Sacramento 99 Helen Mace, Peggy Archer from Bakersfield, Ruth Gay from Long Beach, Amelia Reid from San Jose, and Babe Story from San Fernando Valley.

#### SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CHAPTER Jane O. Haag

Georgia Dover advises us that their 170B is almost ready to fly again with a shiny "gold" (?) engine all tuned up and rarin' to go! Where? Well, almost anywhere, but preferably in the Powder Puff Derby, we hope.

Betty Humble and Shirley Gilmore, derby aspirants, will be seen on CBS-TV, on May 29 on "Face The Facts" with mention made in regard to the AWTAR. Speaking of the derby, our own Ginny Graham drew the number one position and Betty and Shirley drew the number two position at the drawing in San Diego last month at the "race meeting." Our chapter is justly proud of our girls!

Norma Wilcox reports that she "finally got my commercial" and then she heaves a big sigh! No wonder we are proud of our girls! This is the kind of effort that is prevalent in our

chapter, and this is why we are growing so rapidly, such enthusiasm is bound to spill over!

Jane and Roy Haag are happy to be aloft again with a new engine in their 170B. They've been pilng up the time with a visit to the Stockham's Flying S Ranch near El Mirage for a steak fry; a trip to Oceanside to visit friends, and National City and Lindberg Field in San Diego were also on the itinerary. It seems nice to be "aloft" again!

The regular meeting of our chapter was held on May 11 at the home of Betty Humble in Arcadia. We were privileged to have as our guests Liz Crawley and Audrey Schutte of the San Fernando Chapter. Liz and Audrey were announcing the coming "pre-flight" party at World Wide Helicopters hangar on June 3.

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