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President's Column

Flight 99 has been 'full steam ahead' ever since it started, September 1, 1965. As I closed the last leg of the flight, my flight plan called for Southwest Section Meeting in Salt Lake City as the next stop enroute. Weather was still cooperating so Chas and I flew the Bonanza and landed Thursday afternoon. There began a week-end of interesting activities. The Utah Chapter of 99s had a full agenda with the theater, tour of the area, organ recital and trip to the church vaults as some of the highlights.

The Long Beach Chapter sponsored a 49½er race from Long Beach to Salt Lake City and the winner was 'GUS' GUSTAVSON. They had so much fun, they may want another race next year!

October 8th I departed for the East with Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the first stop. Irene Wirtschafter met me at the airport and was my hostess while I was there. During the business meeting of the Middle East Section, I had the privilege of presenting a Chapter Charter to the new Central Pennsylvania Chapter. We are so pleased to welcome them aboard this flight.

Sunday Morning, October 10th, Irene drove me to the Flying W Ranch for the Charter presentation to the new Garden State Chapter 99s. There was a good turn out to welcome this new Chapter with an interview on the radio which gave Gay Maher, the new Chairman, an opportunity to tell what this group of 99s hope to accomplish. They already have an enthusiastic group of 66s without which, Gay says, they would not have been able to get all the things done that needed to be done for their Charter ceremonies.

After luncheon Julie vom Saal, Chairman of the Greater New York Chapter, flew me to Flushing in her plane. Doris Renninger, Governor of New York-New Jersey Section, was my hostess for the week I was in New York. And, I might add, and very thoughtful and gracious hostess.

Wednesday 13th I had lunch with the AWTAR Board at the Wings Club and then was invited to attend their regular board meeting that afternoon. I was happy to have the opportunity to meet with them. We discussed items of business pertinent to the Race and the 99s. I told them we would be having a booth at the International Aero-Classic in Palm Springs and they sent

race programs to us to give to those that might be interested in racing or in knowing more about the Ninety Nines. (Gene Nora Jessen, Public Relations Chairman has a report on this issue of the News regarding the Aero-Classic and the participation of this organization, be sure to read it) I might add that the Race Board is busy planning and finalizing the 'Powder Puff Derby for 1966'. It is going to be a very interesting route and you will be hearing more about it soon.

Thursday and Friday I spent in Washington, D. C., and had the pleasure of staying with Jo Eddleman, Chairman of that Chapter. Had dinner with Fay Gillis Wells, Virginia Thompson and Jo. The Washington, D. C. Chapter is to be the Hostess Chapter, with the Middle East Section, of the 1967 Convention.

Saturday, October 16, was the meeting of the NY-NJ Section. The meeting was on Long Island and included a tour of the ATC. Busiest and biggest Center in the world.

Next stop was a restaurant on the water where we had our luncheon and I then had the privilege of presenting a third Charter . . . this Charter being presented to the new Long Island Chapter, with Ellie McCullough as their new Chairman.

Sunday, the 99s were invited to a tea being given by the W.I.A.A. (Women in Aviation Association) at which time they presented a 99 with the Lady Drummond Hay Award. This year Marilyn Link was the recipient of their award. They are a dear group of ladies, though not pilots, who have an undying love of aviation and those connected with it.

Monday evening, I was the guest of Herb Fisher at the Annual Wings Club Banquet and I enjoyed hearing the speaker of the evening, Mr. Donald Douglas, Sr., as well as meeting several interesting people connected with aviation such as Jimmy Doolittle.

Tuesday morning I departed for Columbia, South Carolina, and a short visit with Sylvia Roth and Frances Miller . . . members of the Contest Committee and operators of a flight school on the airport.

I am sure you know me well enough now to know that if I get that close to Miami, Florida, I have to stop in

and say hello to my daughter and grandchildren. I consider myself very fortunate indeed to have a loving family and to be able to fly too!! You almost can't beat that!!

Enroute home, I stopped in Tallahassee and calling the tower right after me was a feminine voice, so I waited until she taxied up and asked if she was a 99. She is the newest member of the Colorado Chapter, Betty Jo Reid. She was on her way back to Denver in her Mooney. We met again at the AeroClassic.

Was home just two weeks when Gene Nora Jessen flew by in her new little Musketeer and took me to Palm Springs. We were there for a week and feel that we met lots of women pilots (not 99s) and Gene Nora is sending a letter to each of the Chapters in that area, telling them of these women. We do hope the Chapters will

contact these women and tell them more about the 99s and perhaps if it works out, will invite them to join our organization. It will be most interesting to know of the follow-up, then we will know if it has been worth the time and effort put into the Classic.

Let me welcome again our new Chapters . . . Central Pennsylvania, Garden State and Long Island. We also have a new Wyoming Chapter we welcome them too, and will have more to say about them when they receive their charter!!

You might be interested to know that we have a hundred new members already . . . isn't that wonderful??

Didn't mean to be so gabby, but how can you put down six weeks of good time in one little column????

Happily,
Alice Roberts

MEMO FROM THE EDITOR —

CHANGE IN PICTURE SIZE REQUIREMENTS. For years you've been asked to submit 8x10 photos. However, we can save a considerable amount in engraving charges if you will submit pictures that are **NEARER THE SIZE THEY WILL BE WHEN PUBLISHED IN THE NEWS.** For example: A one column picture (usually one person) should be 2" to 2¼" wide, height generally 3". A two column picture (2 or 3 people or a small group) should be 4" to 4½" wide, height about 3" or more—proportionate to type picture. A three column (full page width) picture (usually a large group or special subject) should be 6½" to 7" wide, height proportionate. Black and white prints only.

Will appreciate your cooperation in submitting "sized" pictures whenever possible.

AND SPEAKING OF PICTURES— Please **DO NOT** write on backs. Type and double space names and occasion or information on a plain piece of paper—this may be scotch taped to bottom of picture or left separate. **DO NOT** use glue or adhesive to attach caption information so it can be removed for printing.

If you want picture returned—leave about four (4) inches of blank space after caption info, then type "Return to: (name, address and zip code)."

Pictures are returned from Headquarters.

Send requests for additional copies of the NEWS, any change of address, corrections or additions to information on file to: Carol Craig, Headquarters Sec's, The Ninety-Nines, Inc., Box 99, Okla. City, Okla. 73101. Headquarters handles mailing the NEWS as well as preparation and mailing of the Roster. As Editor, I'm really just a titled proofreader and only prepare the NEWS material submitted for printing. The Printer and Headquarters carry the ball once I get the copy edited, made-up and delivered.

I enjoy being Editor but I'd get more sleep and lose fewer days at work around deadline time if all NEWS contributors would remember to **TYPE** and **DOUBLE SPACE** their reports. Perhaps the information in Page 5 of the July-August '65 issue of the NEWS can be of help to those confused by their "appointment" as NEWS reporter.

Sincerely, overall, you're doing a real fine job and this issue should set a record for "the most Chapters reporting"! Now, if we could get our Charter Members and Members-at-Large to contribute to the NEWS, we'd really have a publication that keeps members "in touch".

Coming Events

April 15-17, 1966
SOUTHWEST SECTION
SPRING MEETING
Las Vegas, Nevada

April 17-24, 1966
ALL FLORIDA AIR TOUR
Starts Tallahassee, Ends Miami
Send \$1.00 for Flight Kit & Info to:
Dorothy Davidson, Tour Chairman
Fla. Goldcoast Chapter
12040 N.W. 19th Ave.,
Miami, Fla. 33167

May 20-21, 1966
SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION
SPRING MEETING
Denver, Colo.

June 30, 1966
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
Seattle, Washington

July 2-5, 1966
POWDER PUFF DERBY
Seattle, Wash. to Clearwater, Fla.

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PRESIDENT'S SOAPBOX

I am on my SOAPBOX this month to remind you that we are **NINETY NINES NOT NINETY NINERS** ! !

I can understand an outsider putting the 'er' in the name, but not a member ! !

So, please, when you are talking about us . . . we are **NINETY NINES** ! ! O.K.?? O.K. ! !

SPECIAL NOTICE TO SOUTHWEST SECTION CHAPTERS

Please post somewhere on your bulletin board that someone may accidentally have taken with them a beige, poplin, trench coat (raincoat) which has come up missing. If you member needs it its okeh but if you're wondering what to do with it we shall appreciate having you return it to Alberta Nicholson, 3450 Cleveland Circle, Salt Lake City, Utah.

THE GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER advises they have lost their records, Charter and date of Charter . . . do know they were formed in September 1941 and that Adele Scharr was first Chairman, but rest is guess work. Would appreciate any information that will help re-establish their history.

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Past President RUTH DEERMAN forwarded the following letters:

From YVONNE LOURENS, Johannesburg, South Africa

"Just a note to let you know that amongst the applications for 99 membership from this country, is one, SHIRLEY SIEW. SHIRLEY left for the States a short while ago and will be there for about one year on a medical scholarship. Unfortunately, I cannot give you her address in the States but she will no doubt be contacting the 99s.

"Since I wrote you in June, I have done little flying although I did take part in the Basutoland Airlift of grain for hungry natives of Basutoland. Approximately 1000 bags were flown in—part of the 100,000 bags of grain given by the South African Government to combat famine conditions. Most of the grain was transported by road but as the Sani Pass into Basutoland was closed due to heavy snowfalls, grain had to be flown in. We landed at Mokhotlong and, although the airlift lasted only a few days, it was grand to be back flying in the mountain country and the snow."

From ANNELIESE PINTO, Portugal.

"Thank you very much for your last letter. I send you today enclosed one check for \$5.00 for the JOAN MERRIAM SMITH Memorial. Please send it on, as I don't know to whom I should send it.

"Our flying conditions in Portugal are very much narrowed down now. Nearly all the airplanes in the club are grounded for one reason or another and we have just an Auster and a Piper Cub left! These are reserved for instruction and so we cannot take them to other places. There are also some other heart-breaking news: The club has sold the remaining Tiger Moths (all but one) and so it will be very difficult to go on flying the aircraft I just love to fly more than any other!

"I hope the next time I will be able to give you better news."



MEET YOUR 1966 AWTAR START COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRMEN—Left, Helen Appel; Right Ilvone Potter. Helen lives in Des Moines, Wash., is married and has a daughter, two step-daughters and 7 grandchildren. Total logged time—1,000 hours which include 50 min. dual in a T-33 jet trainer and 35 hours of 70 hr. mission on search during 1945 on wartime basis. Race experience: 1956—Lipstick Derby as pilot; 1960—Powder Puff Derby as co-pilot; 1961—Petticoat Derby as pilot, and 1963—Lipstick Derby as pilot. Affiliations: 99s, AOPA, Falconers (local flying club), Pacific Northwest Industrial Editors and International Council of Industrial Editors. Served as Governor of Northwest Section 99s 1933-65 and Chairman of Western Washington Chapter 1960-62. Ilvone lives in Seattle, Wash., is married and has 3 sons and 2 grandchildren. Husband and sons are also pilots. She holds a Commercial license with SEL, MEL, SES, Helicopter and Instrument ratings and has 1,400 hours. Ilvone is Whirly-Girl No. 50 and owns her own helicopter (the Hughes in picture). Race experience: Flown Powder Puff Derby 3 times and won the Flying Magazine Award in 1962 with Elene Duncan as co-pilot. Flown Petticoat Derby twice and placed 4th one year. Chairman of Lipstick Derby in 1963. Affiliations: 99s, AOPA, Washington Pilots and Whirly-Girls. Served as treasurer and Membership Chairman for Western Washington Chapter.

AWTAR Powder Puff Derby

Marion Andrews Lopez, Reporter

Tremendous enthusiasm along the race route has been encountered by the trailblazers.

MARION BANKS and RUBY KEAVENEY visited the first five stops and found everything progressing nicely. They checked out Seattle where the takeoff will be on Saturday, July 2nd, went on to the official stops; Pendleton, Ore.; Boise, Idaho; Pocatello, Idaho; and Rock Springs, Wyoming, where they met with a delegation of

99s. The middle State stops: Cheyenne, Wyoming; Kearney, Nebraska; Kansas City, Kansas; Cape Girardeau, Mo.; and Chattanooga, Tenn., will be trailblazed by ALICE HAMMOND.

KAY BRICK and BARBARA EVANS met with 99s at Augusta, Georgia, visited Lake City, Fla., and Clearwater, Fla., where the race will end on July 5th. The spectacular finish will be along the waterfront, parallel to Clearwater Beach off Pier 30. All indications are that this 20th Anni-



The above sight is overlooking Clearwater Beach, Clearwater, Fla. The Beach is flanked by the Gulf Coast on the West and Clearwater Bay on the East. Now is a good time to begin making plans for flying the Derby and enjoying an exciting 5th of July in Clearwater.

versary "Powder Puff Derby" will be a great one.

We were saddened by the death of LESTER MUTER, husband of the late 99, GLADYS MUTER. Condolences may be sent to their daughter, MRS. HERBERT J. ROWE, 2400 Hawthorne, Flossmoor, Illinois. "Les" was a devoted sponsor of AWTAR.

Hope you didn't miss the major rule change in the system of timing announced in the AWTAR Flyer. You asked for it and we aim to please.

Your response to our appeal for clippings on the 1965 Race was wonderful. Thanks a heap. We are well stocked with newspaper clippings but those from magazines seem to be harder to come by. If you have any that you are willing to part with send them to—All Woman Transcontinental Air Race, Inc., Teterboro Airport, Teterboro, New Jersey.



The East Coast Members of the AWTAR Board were pleased to have our President, Alice Roberts, attend their October meeting. This picture was taken in the Amelia Earhart Room of the Wings Club where we joined for luncheon before the meeting. Left to Right—Pat Wilson, Barbara Evans, Alice Roberts, Kay Brier, Lois Fairbank, Marion Lopez.

AIR MEETS

MICHIGAN SMALL RACE

By PAT CLARK

Many of us Thursday, September 30th, haunted the Weather Bureau with long faces that matched the rain outside but come Friday, October 1st, we were all able to fly to Grand Haven, Michigan. The big day had arrived, Sixty planes flew in, 32 pilots from Michigan, 12 from Ohio, 7 from Illinois, 5 from Indiana and one each from Virginia, New York, Kansas and Massachusetts.

At registration 12 lucky pilots won hush puppies. After inspection and impounding we were off for a gay evening on the town. Busses picked us up at our motels and took us to the American Legion Hall for a pre-race banquet and briefing. Afterwards we were taken to the waterfront for the Musical Fountain premiere showing "The Air Age".

The first plane in the 10th annual SMALL RACE left the runway at 10 AM, with the remaining planes leaving exactly one minute apart thereafter. DOROTHY REAUME, pilot of a Cessna 172, damaged her plane while taxiing to the starting line and was unable to compete. The route was from Grand Haven to Watervliet to Ionia to Grand Haven. The course distance was 178.9 N.M. I wonder how many other girls had their heart in their mouth as they buzzed Watervliet, Ionia, & Grand Haven at 200 feet above the ground for identification. Number 60, SUE ROSCOE, in her Colt had just left the Grand Haven field and was looking for the smoke stack that we all used as our first check point when the first plane to return called in over Eastmanville for landing info. How is that for close timing.

The winners were announced at the reception & Awards banquet held Saturday night at the Spring Lake Country Club.

First Place Winners: MRS. ELIZABETH F. SCHUCKER, and co-pilot MRS. ANNE E. STEINHAGEN both of Royal Oak, Mich. ELIZABETH won the Paul Bunyan Trophy, the Charlotte E. Connelly Trophy, Piper's Retractable Trophy and Michigan Dept. of Aero-

AMELIA EARHART SCHOLARSHIP

By Alice Hammond

CONGRATULATIONS to CAROL SUE RAYBURN — the first of the 1965 Scholarship winners to complete her training made possible by the Award! Carol got her Instrument and Instrument Instructor ratings (as well as a seaplane rating!) before returning to South Dakota State University for her Junior year in September. She is carrying 12 units of solid credits at the University this semester, and has sixteen regular flight students at the field.

JANET FERGUSON, another 1965 winner, will be taking her Instrument written at the U.S. Embassy in London early in December. She expects to start her Instrument and Multi-engine flight training after the holidays and reports that there is an FFA approved examiner near London, so she can complete her ratings right there in England!

The Annual report of the Scholarship Fund for 64/65 is published for your information in this issue of the Ninety-Nine News. In addition to Chapter, Section and Individual (tax deductible) contributions, please note that the AE First Day Covers are still a valued source of revenue for the Trust Fund — \$1,438 having been realized from this one source alone last year! And in 1966, let's see every Chapter listed in the contribution column!

Happy New Year to you all!

AMELIA EARHART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND ANNUAL REPORT — SEPTEMBER 1, 1964 to AUGUST 31, 1965

Receipts:	Trust Fund	Award Fund	Sec. Tot.
CONTRIBUTIONS:			
New England Section			
Eastern New England Chapter	\$12.50	\$12.50	\$ 25.00
New York-New Jersey Section	25.00* 25.00***		
Greater New York Chapter	25.00	25.00	100.00
Middle East Section			
Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter	50.50	50.50	
Maryland Chapter	32.50	32.50	
	2.50	2.50	171.00
Southeast Section	12.50	12.50	
Carolinas Chapter	5.00	5.00	
Georgia Chapter	13.50	13.50	
Memphis Chapter	12.50	12.50	87.00
North Central Section	54.37	54.36	
All-Ohio Chapter	27.88	27.87	
Cape Girardeau Chapter	32.82	32.82	
Chicago Area Chapter	12.50	12.50	
Greater Kansas City Chapter	62.50	62.50	
Indiana Chapter	12.50	12.50	
Iowa Chapter	25.00	25.00	
Michigan Chapter	25.00	25.00	
Ozark Chapter	25.00	25.00	
Wisconsin Chapter	37.50	37.50	630.12
South Central Section			
Albuquerque Chapter	5.00	5.00	
Colorado Chapter	12.50	12.50	
Dallas Chapter	10.00	10.00	
El Paso Chapter	15.00	15.00	
High Sky Chapter	2.50	2.50	
Houston Chapter	28.00	28.00	
Oklahoma Chapter	5.00	5.00	
San Antonio Chapter	5.00	5.00	
Shreveport Chapter	2.50	2.50	
Tulsa Chapter	7.50	7.50	186.00
Northwest Section			
Alaska Chapter	15.00	15.00	
Eastern Idaho Chapter	6.00	6.00	
Idaho Chapter	12.50	12.50	
Montana Chapter	7.50	7.50	
Western Washington Chapter	10.00**		92.00
Southwest Section			
Bay Cities Chapter	42.00*	42.00*	
El Cajon Valley Chapter	12.50 25.00	12.50	
Los Angeles Chapter	15.00*		
Phoenix Chapter	25.00*		

Receipts:	Trust Fund	Award Fund	Sec. Tot.
Redwood Empire Chapter	12.50	12.50	
Sacramento Valley Chapter	12.50	12.50	
San Diego Chapter	25.50	11.00*	25.50
San Joaquin Valley Chapter	2.50	2.50	
Santa Barbara Chapter	10.00*		
Santa Clara Chapter	50.00	50.00	401.00
British Section	25.00	25.00	50.00
Total Section and Chapter Contributions	944.07	798.05 =	\$ 1742.12
Other contributions in mem. of Joan M. Smith:			
Cmdr. & Mrs. F. S. Vecchione	10.00		
Florida Women Pilots Assn.	15.00		
Mine Squadron Nine & Seven, USN	107.00		
Mine Force Officers Wives Club	10.00		
Mae E. Sharp	10.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Andrew B. Nestor	5.00		
Mrs. L. M. Potter	5.00		
Flo. Erhard, Rita & F. Gibney	10.00		
H. Glen Buffington	10.00		
Wilma P. Ostrander	10.00		
USS Conflict	12.09		
W. J. Gibney	15.00		
Mrs. James Paya	15.00		
Mrs. L. G. Lawrence	5.00		
Mr. & Mrs. M. F. O'Donnell	10.00	249.09	
Contribution in mem. of Barbara Prestas			
Speeds Flying Service, Inc.	25.00		
Contribution in mem. of Arlene Davis			
The Ninety-Nines, Inc.	25.00		
Contribution in mem. of Esther Stone			
Linda Lauder	15.00		
Personal contribution—Jeannette Sovereign	1125.00		
Personal contribution—Joya Stapp	9.00		
Proceeds from sale of First Day Covers	1438.25		
Proceeds from sale of A.E. Medals	24.00		
Proceeds from sale of 99 Song sheets	.25		
Interest on bonds & savings accounts		1239.46	
Contributions from The Ninety-Nines, Inc. for 1965 Scholarship Award		700.00	
	\$3,854.66	\$2737.51	

NOTE: Section and Chapter contributions made in memory of deceased members are listed above and identified as follows:

* in memory of Joan Merriam Smith Trixie Ann Schubert
 ** Esther Stone *** Barbara Prestas Jacklyn B. Bandt

Regular Chapter contributions are divided 1/2 to Trust Fund, 1/2 to Award Fund
 Trust Fund Award Fund
 Total Receipts carried forward \$ 3,854.66 \$ 2,737.51

DISBURSEMENTS:

Check book	3.62	
Eugenia Heise—printing etc.	41.50	
Ruth Rueckert—postage	10.56	
		- 55.68
		2,681.83
Write-off of interest accrued on 15 shrs City Savings Assn.		- 343.68
		2,338.15
Provision for three (3) Scholarship Awards		- 2,100.00
		238.15
Transferred to Trust Fund from Award Fund	+ 238.15	- 238.15
Transferred to Trust Fund from Awards Payable	+ 18.95	
(Nancy Brumlow used only \$681.05 of her award)		
Increase in Trust Fund during fiscal year	4,111.76	
TRUST FUND NET WORTH at 8/31/64	24,776.18	
TRUST FUND NET WORTH at 8/31/65	\$28,887.94	

Betty H. Gillies, Treasurer



Winners of the Michigan SMALL Race, Elizabeth Schucker (right) and co-pilot Anne Steinhagen. Mrs. Schucker also won the coveted (rotating) Paul Bunyan Trophy, the Charlotte E. Connelly Trophy, Piper's Retractable Gear Best Performance Trophy and the Michigan Dept. of Aeronautics Trophy. They flew a Piper PA-24.

nautics Trophy. She was piloting a Piper Comanche.

Second Place: MRS. MARGARET A. LITTLE, Schiller Park, Ill., Husband KELLY was her co-pilot flying a Comanche.

Third Place: MRS. ALICE VERNON DAVIS, Michigan Chapter Ninety-Nines Chairman from Grosse Ile, Mich., piloting a Comanche. Husband LES-TER was the only none pilot to participate in the race.

Fourth Place: MRS. JACQUELYN MARKHAM of Battle Creek, Mich., with co-pilot JOANNE ALDRICH, flying a Piper Cherokee. JACQUELYN also won the Piper Fixed Gear Trophy.

Fifth Place: MRS. BABE RUTH, Lansing, Mich., co-pilot, LEVAUGH GUILL, flying a Comanche.

Sixth Place: MRS. MAISE STEARS, Kalamazoo, Mich., piloting a Cessna 172 with husband JIM as co-pilot took runner-up Trophy.

Seventh Place: HELEN MORGAN, Fairborn, Ohio, flying a Bonanza with husband FRED as co-pilot received Beechcraft Best Performance Trophy

and ADI Beechcraft Retractable Gear Trophy.

Eighth Place: MRS. SUE ROSCOE, Aurora, Ill., piloting Piper Colt with husband GARTH as co-pilot.

Ninth Place: MARY CLARK, Jackson, Mich., co-pilot JEAN REYNOLDS, flying a Cessna 182 received the Miller Trophy.

10th Place in the 10th Annual SMALL RACE—MARY PELTO, Detroit, Mich., co-pilot COOKIE BAKER, flying a Cessna 150 received a tape recorder.

MRS. FRAN MYERS, co-pilot ARABELLA MELICK, flying the only Musketeer won the Beech Fixed Gear Trophy.

TAIL END TONY AWARD went to MRS. LOUISE KOKESH of Oak Park, Ill. Hubby RAY was co-pilot, flying a Bonanza that just couldn't burn enough gas.

Thanks to MARY CREASON, Race Chairman, for a smooth running event; Hubby, Grand Haven Mayor, WM. CREASON for a job well done as Master of Ceremonies at the Awards banquet; DR. DAVID SIEBOLD and MRS. ALBERT PARKER for leading us in song; Mary Creason's Mother, MRS. WM. RAWLINSON, for the piano accompaniment; Droopy the clown for laughs and MRS. JAMES PETERS, Jaycee Auxiliary Chairman, for the excellent job in transportation. Thanks to all you workers whose name I do not know, communications, inspection, registration and you workers that tied us down and pushed us out of the mud.

Breakfast was served at WIN SCHULER'S Sunday morning, church services, weather briefing, Michigan Chapter of Ninety-Nines, meeting then fly-away into the blue and homeward bound. All is but a memory and we are anxiously awaiting next year and the 11th SMALL RACE.

Please close our flight plan 10th annual SMALL RACE Oct. 3, 1965.

WOMEN IN LAS VEGAS INTERNATIONAL AIR RACES By PAT ARNOLD

If you've never been in or seen a professional pylon race, I heartily recommend it. Its not for the faint-hearted, the inexperienced, or amateur pilot, but there are many of the

Ninety-Nines to whom this form of racing will have much appeal.

Pylon racing—the most famous, the Bendix—was very popular until 1949. JACKIE COCHRAN and others held their own in those days against such famous pilots as PAUL MANTZ, JOE DeBONA, etc. There has been a revival of this type of racing lately—the two biggest being the Reno Air Races and the Las Vegas Races. Now, however, for some reason women have been excluded as participants. Mainly through the efforts of JUDY WAGNER and IRENE LEVERTON there was a breakthrough this year! Women were accepted in the Reno races and received NAA sanction in the \$40,000 Las Vegas International Air Races, September 20th through 26th.

At Las Vegas, before daily crowds of 5000, six women participated in the Women's Stock Plane Championship Pylon Race. On Saturday, there were the qualifying heats for starting position, the fastest plane getting the post position. On Sunday, there was a "shotgun" start with the 6 planes lined up across the runway. At the drop of the flag, it was full throttle down the runway and the planes raced for the "scatter" pylon, circling

it and then entering the pylon course which was $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles in circumference. It was a 10 lap race, an exciting and thrilling 10 minutes of roaring engines. The final results were as follows: No. 1—JUDY WAGNER (Long Beach Chapter), No. 2—IRENE LEVERTON (San Jose), No. 3—PAT ARNOLD (Michigan Chapter), No. 4—ELAINE JULICH (Bay City Chapter), No. 5—DOROTHY JULICH (New York Chapter).

The prize money was \$1000, plus handsome trophies. The performance of these women was so impressive that assurance has been given that at Reno next year the purse will be \$5000.

For further information on how to enter these races, it is strongly urged that you contact now: MRS. JUDY WAGNER, 2516 Via La Selva, Palos Verdes Estates, Calif. 90275.

It should be a goal of our organization to encourage women fliers to re-establish their prominence and acceptance in pylon racing.

MARGARET FITCHIE, MIRA SLOVAK, and DUANE COLE provided exciting aerobatics and CHARLES LYFORD was the winner in the \$20,000 unlimited class.

OFFICIAL RESULTS 1965 Dallas Doll Derby — 23 October, 1965

1st Place	Pilot	Eda Whyte	Musketeer	Ft. Worth
	Co-Pilot	Yvonne Turner		
	Co-Pilot	Jean Williams		
	Co-Pilot	Dody McLaurin		
2nd Place	Pilot	Peg Ong	Mooney	Dallas
	Co-Pilot	Martha Ann Reading	Mooney	Dallas
3rd Place	Pilot	Pat Jetton	Cherokee 140	Dallas
	Co-Pilot	Rowena Burns		
4th Place	Pilot	Helen Wilkie	Bonanza	Dallas
	Co-Pilot	Kathy Long		
5th Place	Pilot	Mary Able	Cessna 195	Houston
	Co-Pilot	Louise Bickford		
		Aileen Bush		
6th Place	Pilot	Sue Andrews	Cessna 170	Dallas
	Co-Pilot	Hazel McKendrick		
7th Place	Pilot	Mary Jane Stepchinski	Cessna 150	Houston
	Co-Pilot	Mary Helen Burke		
8th Place	Pilot	Phyllis Green	Cessna 159	Dallas
	Co-Pilot	Nita Shuhart		
9th Place	Pilot	Ann English	Musketeer	Dallas
	Co-Pilot	Martha Fowler		
10th Place	Pilot	Marilyn Stoneberg	Cessna 172	Houston
	Co-Pilot	Ruth Hildebrand		
	Co-Pilot	Melba Winfield		
11th Place	Pilot	Annie Laurie Drews	Ercoupe	Dallas
	Co-Pilot	Jo Allison		



First five winners of Tenth Annual Michigan Small Race: (left to right) Elizabeth Schucker, Royal Oak, Mich., 1st Place; Second—Margaret Little, Schiller Park, Ill.; Third—Alice Vernon Davis, Grosse Ile, Mich.; Fourth—Jacquelyn Markham, Battle Creek, Mich.; Fifth—Babe Weyant Ruth, Lansing, Mich.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC RELATIONS

GENE NORA JESSEN, Chairman

The Ninety-Nines were fortunate enough to be offered a complimentary display booth at the International Aero Classic held in Palm Springs, Calif., November 11-14. Of course we proceeded to snap it up and organized an exhibit to introduce the 99s to the general and aviation public. We have no way of measuring our success, but we do know that we were exposed to many, many people.

The focal point of our display was an 8'x4' brown pegboard. The frame had been antiqued with flecks of blue and the board stands 6' high on 2' legs. We used framed pictures of our four International Officers and this year's AWTAR winners. Under each picture was name and title. Raised across the top of the board was the name of the organization with the numeral 99 in blue on burnt gold. A large blue and white 99 was used too. On approximately one third of the board was displayed Las Vegas Chap-

ter's reproduction of the AMELIA EARHART painting for which we think them very much. It created much interest and conversation. The AMELIA EARHART picture is not a permanent part of the board display and has been returned to the Las Vegas Chapter so that portion of the board is now blank.

The reason for all the detail in describing the board is because it was put together at no cost to the 99s and has been made a gift to us. After the Palm Springs showing it was shipped to Seattle so that it could be used at our Next International Convention. We have also been asked to display it at the National Intercollegiate Flying Association Meeting in May. The board is yours and is available on a first-come-first-served basis for any function your Chapter desires. Your expense and obligation will be shipping costs from and back to Seattle and filling the blank third of the board, perhaps with pictures of members or

activities of your own chapter. Crated, the board weighs 227 lbs., but shipping costs are surprisingly minimal. Please contact me, GENE NORA JESSEN, 741 Eastridge Drive, Wichita, Kansas, if you have a need for the board.

The rest of our display in Palm Springs consisted of a lovely spray of blue and white flowers, various 99 and AWTAR brochures and programs, and a guest book. We had 50 99s and 40 prospective 99s plus other guests such as ARTHUR GODFREY and BOB REYNOLDS sign our book. You will be receiving the names of any prospects we might have from your area. Most of the active 99s stopping by the booth were from California, but those from out of state were one each from the Greater N. Y. Chapter, Colorado, Tucson, Oregon, W. Washington, Tulsa, Montana; two each from Greater St. Louis, Cape Girardeau, Chicago Area and Phoenix, and three from the Kansas Chapter. Special thanks goes to those who helped me in the booth: ALICE ROBERTS, our International President; DORIS RENNINGER, Governor of the N. Y.-N. J. Section; GARNETT HASTINGS from the Kansas Chapter, ELLEN TRINDLE and LIBBY SVENSON of the San Fernando Valley Chapter and ELEANOR WAGNER of the Coachella Valley Chapter. Many other Ninety-Nines were working elsewhere during the show so they didn't have a chance to get by the booth.

We were fortunate to be asked to participate. What are you doing for public relations in your area? Let us all band together and help stamp out the question, "What is a 99?"

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEES FOR 1965-66

AEROSPACE EDUCATION: Shirley Marshall, Tucson.

AIR MARKING: Frances Peacock, Georgia, Chairman; Marilyn Schulz, Abilene; Blanche Noyes, Washington, D. C.

A. E. COMMEMORATIVE STAMPS: Fay Gillis Wells, Washington, D. C.; Coordinator; Louise M. Smith, Carolinas, Co-ordinator.

A. E. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP TRUSTEES: Alice Hammond, Chicago Area, Permanent Trustee; Bronita Evans, Okla., Permanent Trustee; Betty Gillies, San Diego, Treasurer;

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AUDITING: Ida Carter, Okla., Chairman; Ruth Jones, Okla.

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CONTEST: Frances Miller, Carolinas, Chairman (1 yr.); Sylvia Roth, Carolinas (2 yrs.); Sarah Gorelick, Greater Kansas City (3 yrs.).

FLYING ACTIVITIES: Lois Grange, Iowa, Chairman.

49 $\frac{1}{2}$ er RECORDS: Allaseba Thatcher, Michigan, Chairman.

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HISTORIAN: Irene Wirtschafter, E. Penn.

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PROJECT MAP: Lois Miles, San Fernando Valley, West Chairman.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: Gene Nora Jessen, Kansas, Chairman.

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AWTAR FUND RAISING: Lorraine McCarty, Michigan, Chairman.

AIR MARKING

Let's keep it going! Under the leadership of MURIEL DYKEMA and MID CASSIDY, both of Indiana, supported by BLANCHE NOYES, of FAA in Washington, this committee spearheaded a terrific comeback of the air marking program during 1964 and 1965. Now, the responsibility is passed on to a new committee with counterparts at Section and Chapter level. COMMUNICATION, states our new President, ALICE ROBERTS, is the key word in our goals for the coming period. What better way than through AIR MARKING.

Air markers are among the earliest visual aids to air navigation. They are self contained, unmanned, inexpensive and are a positive communicator. They are used by pilots to report their exact position to the communicator, Tower operators and flight service stations.

It is suggested that files on Air Marking be passed from last year's committees to the newly appointed committees and that efforts be continued along the same lines. The procedures will be the same. Chapters that did not have air marking programs last year should form their committees at once. New material will be forwarded. Every cooperation should be given to the State Director of Aeronautics in order to aid him in inaugurating an air marking program or in keeping it going, if he has an active program.

The following states have active air marking programs: Alabama—a new program; Connecticut—permanent program; Georgia—a new program; Idaho—permanent program; Illinois—has funds for air marking; Iowa constructs 100 air markers each year; Michigan—approximately 100 air markers each year; Montana—a fine air marking program which covers every town; New York State keeps every town air marked; Pennsylvania—active air marking program; South Carolina keep every town air marked; South Dakota keeps every town air marked; Tennessee keeps every town air marked; Virginia has a permanent air marking program; Wisconsin keeps every town air marker. States having funds for paint are Arizona, California, Indiana and New Jersey.

The Indiana 99s have cooperated with the Air Traffic Control Association and have done a fine job in Indiana. The Missouri Pilots Association has constructed 65 air markers in the past three years. Tip of Texas 99s have

done a fine job air marking in that area.

As may be noted, there are many areas yet to be covered.

Let's get the committee appointed, the files transferred from last year's committee, and you will be hearing from us. Don't forget COMMUNICATION. The authorities to see will not come to you—you must go to them.

Your Air Marking Committee
FRANCES PEACOCK (Georgia),
Chairman

MARILYN SCHULZ (Abilene)
BLANCHE NOYES (Wash., D. C.)

SECTION MEETINGS

MIDDLE EAST SECTION FALL MEETING

By CAROLINE BREGLER

The Middle East Sectional was held the weekend of October 8th and 9th in Philadelphia, Pa. Ninety-Nines arrived at the Philadelphia International Airport on Friday and were transported into the City to the Ben Franklin Hotel which was headquarters for the Fall Meeting.

Dinner was informal, and after dinner you could just sit and talk and talk and renew old friendship or go to see "Christmas at Las Vegas".

Saturday began with registration in the Independence Room of the Hotel, followed by a business meeting under the leadership of Governor MARIE D'ALTERIO. At the meeting ALICE ROBERTS, International President, presented the Central Pennsylvania Chapter with their Charter in a very impressive ceremony.

FAY GILLIS WELLS was presented with a special award for her efforts in the sale of the AMELIA EARHART stamp covers. After this successful business meeting approximately fifty Ninety-Nines and guests were transported to Philadelphia's "1700" waterfront restaurant and Colonial Village for lunch. After lunch at "1700" a short tour of some of the historical spots of old Philadelphia was available before the Ninety-Nines left the City of Brotherly Love for home. RACHEL HOPKINSON was Chairman and she and her committee deserve a large hand for the planning and handling of the Section Meeting.



Pat Lambart, Southwest Section Governor, presenting trophy for most flying hours to San Fernando Valley Chapter 99s at Sectional Meeting in Salt Lake City. Left to right: Libby Svenson, Shirley Thom, Pat Lambart, Virginia Rainwater, Florence Dittmar, Pat Demitter and Lois Miles.



ALABAMA CHAPTER Betty Rowe, Reporter

Hello from the Alabama Chapter! This reporter let the September deadline slip by her due to a vacation which included the S.E. Section meeting in the Bahamas, so I'll try to bring the Alabama news up to date with this writing.

The September meeting was cancelled in lieu of the Section meeting. Chairman BENNIE PETERS and JUANITA HALSTEAD also attended the sectional and we all had a very enjoyable time. The October meeting was held in Birmingham. Those present were BENNIE PETERS, GERRY CHASE and 49½er LEWIS, NANCY BEELAND and 49½er JEFF, MARION MAY, CHARLENE HIMBERG, BETTY ROWE, DONNA WILLARD and new member, DICEY MILLER. Three guests, LOIS BATES, SHIRLEY HANSEN and JEAN LANE, all of Huntsville, pleased us by filling out applications for membership. The speaker was JOHNNY GILL, who spoke about flying in the era from "Jennies to Jets". A fascinating speech.

The November meeting was held in Greenville with the following members present: Chairman BENNIE PETERS, GERRY CHASE, SUE, WITT, JEAN LANE, ELISABETH COLLINS, CHARLENE HIMBERG, ELSIE HEILPERN, JUANITA HALSTEAD, NANCY BEELAND, MARION MAY and two guests, FRAN HODGES and JACKIE COMPTON. DR. LEWIS CHASE, GERRY's 49½er, gave a most informative talk on oxygen and high altitude flying. At this meeting the following appointments were made: GERRY CHASE, Publicity Chairman, JUANITA HALSTEAD, A.E. Scholarship Chairman, and it was announced that NANCY BEELAND is Air Activities Chairman for the S.E. Section.

The Alabama gals have been studying, too! DONNA WILLARD passed her written for Commercial, and is getting ready to take the Instructor written, then on to the flight tests. MARION MAY has her glider rating all signed, sealed and delivered. A group of women "aviators" in the Huntsville area called the "Flying Petticoats" (composed of student and licensed pilots,



From left, Pat Lambart, Southwest Section Governor; Albert Nicholson, Chairman Utah Chapter; Alice Roberts, International President; and Mary Kemper, Chairman San Fernando Valley Chapter (Powder Puff Derby Start 1968), being served dinner at Treasure Mt. Lodge, Park City, Utah, during Southwest Section Fall Meeting.

some 26 in number) held their "First Annual Flying Petticoat Proficiency Derby" on October 31. Ninety-Nines who walked away with trophies and prizes are (by teams): DONNA WIL-LARD, pilot, SHIRLEY HANSEN, co-pilot, 1st place overall and 2nd place in spot landing; JEAN LANE, pilot, 2nd place overall and 1st place in spot landing; CHARLENE HIMBERG, pilot, ELISABETH COLLINS, co-pilot, 3rd overall; BETTY ROWE, youngest pilot. Other 99s who entered are: MARION MAY, LOIS BATES, and DICEY MILLER.

Races aren't the only things keeping the Alabama gals airborne. GERRY CHASE and 49½er LEWIS vacationed with wings to the Grand Tetons and Yellowstone, and report it was beautiful. They are now preparing for the Bahamas Treasure Hunt. BETTY ROWE and 49½er WALT with three little ones toured the Southwest by air, as well as making the Section meeting. NANCY BEELAND and 49½er JEFF have been flying to the Alabama football games this fall. ELSIE HEILPREN just returned from a fascinating trip to Russia, Poland, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia — needless to say by commercial airways! BETTY FERRELL has missed two meetings due to an extended trip in Europe. Know she's having a wonderful time!

That ties down the Alabama news for awhile except to say the December 5 meeting will be in Huntsville for brunch at the Redstone Arsenal Officers Club and a tour of the Space Museum on the Arsenal. It promises to be a good meeting so "y'all come!"

Happy flying!

FLORIDA GOLDCOAST CHAPTER

Dottie Harrison, Reporter

An organizational meeting, with the purpose of forming a new Chapter in Northern Florida, was held on the 16th of October at Daytona Beach. ANN ROSS, MIRIAM DAVIS and DOROTHY DAVIDSON from Miami; JAN WAGNER and DOTTIE HARRISON from Fort Lauderdale; BETTY TRACY from Pompano Beach; MARGARET STANNAH from Orlando; and GENEVIEVE PERRY from Melbourne Beach were present, representing the Florida Goldcoast Chapter. MARTHA TOBEY, our Governor, flew down from Memphis for the meeting. NORMA CULLER and THEO SCHAFFER flew over from the West Coast of Florida to represent the Suncoast Chapter. There were 11 pros-

pective new members present and they all seemed enthusiastic about their new Chapter. We're surely looking forward to having them join us as Ninety-Nines.

We had a short meeting at Sunline, Opa Locka Airport, in Miami, on October 18th. ANN ROSS, our Chairman, told all those who weren't in Daytona Beach about the good news there. Our program chairman, LOIS PORTER, plans to have an instrument ground school instructor give us a little talk at our next meeting, in hopes that some of us will upgrade our ratings.

On October 8th, LEE WINFIELD, VIRGINIA BRITT, MIRIAM DAVIS, JAN WAGNER and BETTY TRACY attended a most informative Weather Seminar, sponsored by the FAA, at the Sheraton Hotel in Fort Lauderdale.

We're all happy to welcome MAGGIE FIELDS of Pompano Beach as our newest member. MAGGIE and her husband, who is also a pilot, own a Cessna 172.

BETTY TRACY flew her Tri-Pacer over to Harbour Island, which is off Northern Eleuthera in the Bahamas Islands, and she heartily recommends the pink sand, rolling hills and pretty scenery as a most peaceful vacation spot. It's about 250 miles from Pompano Beach Airport.

The Grasshopper Fly-in was held October 27 at Ormond Beach. LOIS PORTER, Miami; BETTY TRACY, Pompano Beach; and DOTTIE SHAW, DOTTIE HARRISON and MAGGIE FIELDS, Fort Lauderdale, flew up for the meeting. Our hostess was JEAN BRAGG, Ormond Beach, who served us a delicious lunch at her beautiful new home on the Halifax River.

Our regular November meeting was held November 15 at Sunline, Opa Locka Airport, with nine members present. MIRIAM and HUB DAVIS and FRED and DICK GOKEY had gone on the Bahamas Treasure Hunt. MR. MONTGOMERY of the FAA spoke to us about the importance of recurrent training and answered our questions about new FAA regulations.

LOIS PORTER and DOTTIE SHAW with their husbands, attended a fly-in at Ocean Reef over the Halloween weekend and report that in spite of some not-so-perfect flying weather lots of fun was had by everyone.

That's all for this month. Happy flying!

FLORIDA SUNCOAST CHAPTER

Theodora B. Shafer, Reporter

The Clearwater girls greeted our fellow 99s in October with a hot cup of coffee and donuts, compliments of our Airpark operator, ROBERT BICKERSTAFFE. Our meeting was held at Clearwater Airpark for the purpose of getting the details of the 1966 Terminus of the Powder Puff Derby in hand. GENE ALLEN ROBINSON, President of the Clearwater Chamber of Commerce, gave us a brief resume as to what the Chamber is undertaking toward a successful Terminus celebration. Plans look real exciting and in the meantime, KAY BRICK and BARBARA EVANS were a very welcome sight. Their help, suggestions and support have provided an invaluable aid in getting us underway.

Our November meeting was held in Lake Wales with MARIE DILLIN as our hostess. Twelve members with five prospective ones winged their way to Lake Wales in a total of five airplanes. Two new members were welcomed into our Chapter with a brief reception. They are LEE MALCOLM of Clearwater and KAY ALPAUGH of Tampa. We are also happy to have JACKIE GEIGER who is transferring from the Maryland Chapter. An interesting bit of last minute information I received is a great big CONGRATULATIONS to our new member KAY ALPAUGH who was crowned Queen of the Florida Flying Farmers last weekend at St. Augustine.

As for some of our flying activities, the fall weather has been the best as thunderstorms are the least. However, NORMA CULLER, DOTTIE BIRDSONG and THELMA DAWSON didn't have exactly a beautiful flight. The poor girls left home by air but returned by bus due to inclement weather in Cross City, Fla. After a grueling day of weather reports and attempted departures, they arrived home safe and sound around 11 o'clock p.m. BETTY MCGRAW will be taking off for South America while the rest of us will be whirling around the state of Florida. With the holiday season coming up some of us may be heading far and wide. My husband, JOHN, and I plan a Thanksgiving vacation in Tennessee. Happy Turkey Time to you all.

GEORGIA CHAPTER

Frances Peacock, Reporter

The Georgia 99s began the 1965-66 fiscal year with renewed enthusiasm in aviation related activities. September

saw the Chapter represented at the Southeast Section meeting by Chairman CAROLYN KENNEDY, Secretary CAROL LOWERY, International Secretary BETTY McNABB and by FRANCES PEACOCK.

October brought a joint meeting with the Carolinas Chapter at Savannah, Ga., to discuss with the Chamber of Commerce their proposed bid for the 1968 AWTAR terminus. Savannah is one of the oldest cities in the South with the warmth and color of its early civilization being preserved through historic restoration of the old town houses and gardens. The Chamber has offered to go all out to make the race terminus and attendant activities a memorable occasion. The proposal was approved by both chapters, followed by formal approval by the Southeast Section Governor's Council, after which the Chamber made a written bid to the AWTAR Board. Georgia 99s present for this meeting were DOLORES LOWE, CAROL LOWERY, CAROLYN KENNEDY, CAROLE HARPE, MARY LEE NIX, JEAN VOYLES and FRANCES PEACOCK. The Carolinas Chapter was represented by Chairman JEANNE HARLEY, who brought a guest, GLORIA FLEETWOOD, a business associate from Seymour, Ind. MARY LOU HENDERSON, of Atlanta, a prospective member, was also a guest.

The luncheon, which preceded the conference, was held at the famous Pirate's House in the VIP room. Actually this stands for "Very Important Pirates," however it was dubbed "Very Important Pilots" for this occasion. Following the conference with the Chamber, the Georgia Chapter held a business meeting at which MARY LOU HENDERSON was approved for membership.

On November 14th the weather was marginal for the Atlanta meeting of the Chapter, with the south Georgia girls still waiting for the ceiling to rise while the north Georgia girls gathered at Atlanta's Fulton County Airport for a talk by CHESTER W. WELLS, Area Manager of the FAA Atlanta Area Office. Included in the 16 present on this occasion were 99s DOLORESE LOWE, BARBARA SHIRLEY, JEAN VOYLES, MARY LEE NIX, FRANCES PEACOCK, MYRTLE CAGLE and LOIS LACY. BETTY BENNETT of Doraville attended as a prospective member and was approved for membership during the business meeting which followed MR. WELLS' talk. Other guests were husbands and chil-

dren, including MYRTLE CAGLE's six-month old baby, JOY, who will surely be a 99 in 1981 if she follows in her mother's steps.

In addition to attending Chapter meetings, the Georgia girls have been active individually. CAROLYN KENNEDY and CAROL LOWERY flew to Augusta in October and met with KAY BRICK of the AWTAR Board to discuss the responsibilities of the Georgia Chapter in handling the AWTAR stop there next July. CAROL, with husband, BILL, flew by jet to Europe in late summer, returning just in time for CAROL to attend the Southeast Section meeting at West End, Grand Bahamas in September. BETTY McNABB, while on a business trip to Cleveland in October, attended a penny - a - pound fly - in at Columbus, Ohio, sponsored by the Ohio 99s. She particularly enjoyed flying with JOAN HRUBEC in PeeWee, JOAN's TriPacer. As a 99 representative BETTY also attended a Utility Airplane Council briefing in Washington, D. C., recently.

DENE HADDEN has departed Panama City, Fla., where she had been employed as flight instructor at Sowell Aviation, and is now associated with Gilmore Helicopter Service in Miami. She spent the Fall "barnstorming" at Carolina fairs. MYRTLE CAGLE spent the summer getting acquainted with her new baby while recuperating from some after effects. She is now her old self and flying again, having taken the baby on two occasions. MYRTLE and her husband recently flew to Mobile, Ala., to visit relatives. LOIS LACY, husband GEORGE, and daughter, LOU, flew their Mooney to Washington, D. C. in October, being fortunate to select a time when the mountains were brilliant with Fall colors. DOLORES LOWE, flying a CAP PA-18, dropped in the KENNEDY strip for a visit with CAROLYN in October. A few days later she checked out in a Skylane and flew DR. OLIVER WELSH, National Director of Jaycees, to a meeting on Jekyll Island, Ga. From there she flew him to Clayton, Ga., to another meeting.

MARY LEE NIX flew recently to Columbia, S. C., taking BETTY BENNETT and two student pilots as passengers. BETTY TERRY has been golfing, but now that it has turned cooler, she promises to get back in the air. VIRGINIA KLEEB, still grounded following brain surgery earlier this year, has taken up a new hobby—sailing. She and husband, FRED, bought a Flying

Tern and named it "Over". They now spend weekends sailing at Clark Hill Reservoir. CAROLE HARPE has taken over the duties of Treasurer of the Chapter and with it got the RON kits, which the Georgia Chapter sells. She reports an adequate supply still on hand to fill mail orders from 99s.

JEAN VOYLES took a weekend holiday trip to St. Petersburg, Fla., in October, for a little sunshine. She reported a good time, particularly in seeing the Halloween costumes at the Navigator. EVELYN GREENBLATT, though inactive in Chapter affairs for many years, continues to express interest in our group. EVELYN has been a member of the Georgia Chapter since shortly after it was chartered. FRANCES PEACOCK has been busy preparing material in connection with her appointment to the Chairmanship of the International Airmarking Committee. She was proud to have the closest ETA to the Savannah meeting in September to win a listing on the Kennedy trophy.

The Chapter regrets the loss of three members this year. RUTH MILLER, who served in so many ways during the years she was member, found it necessary to drop her membership in order to attend the many functions connected with the work of her doctor husband. FRANCES NICHOLS, who most recently served as Chapter Treasurer, is having a little medical certificate trouble. It is hoped she will get this straightened out and will renew at an early date. MARY FENDER found that raising 5 children alone, plus a full time job as interior decorator, left no time for flying. She also found it necessary to drop out of CAP. Later on, when the children are older, she will no doubt rejoin the chapter.

December will find our girls heading for Macon on the 12th at the invitation of MYRTLE CAGLE to hold a meeting at her new home.

In the October News, President ALICE ROBERTS mentioned visiting with International Secretary BETTY McNABB. The following "Notes" by BETTY add to ALICE's account.

Notes On How To Treat The International President By Betty McNabb

1. Arrange to have it rain before, during and after her visit so she has to fight weather coming and going.
2. Have the entire ramp dug up for tower installation so your illustratious guest has to walk a quarter mile

through mud and sand to the car—with luggage.

3. Have her met by an unfriendly police dog.
4. As she steps into the house, arrange for the exterminator to spray her thoroughly.
5. Follow this up with double dousing by the mosquito sprayers so she can enjoy the delightful pungent odor of DDT for a couple of hours.
6. Take her to supper and get stuck in the sand.
7. Allow her to sit on the floor in the back of a Mercedes 190-SL for 44 miles, with the top up, in the pouring rain.

This is guaranteed to make you a social success with almost anybody. (Thank goodness our ALICE has stamina and a sense of humor.)

MEMPHIS CHAPTER **Mary Stanley, Reporter**

This reporter has been so busy cheering the Arkansas Razorbacks on to victory each week that she missed the last Chapter meeting and may miss the news deadline. I was reminded of this at Drake Field, Fayetteville, as VIRGINIA PROCTOR and I were pre-flighting our planes. We were among 320 pilots taking off after the momentous Texas-Arkansas game.

In order to fill me in VIRGINIA and JERRY BAKER flew over to Augusta Sunday afternoon to bring me the news notes. Our annual dutch treat luncheon for licensed and student pilots was held Oct. 2 in the Passport Room at Memphis Metropolitan Airport. After lunch and a short business meeting our AWTAR entrants, POLLY DUNCAN, MARTHA TOBEY and CHRIS BROWN, showed colored slides of the race. Other members attending were HILDA SAVAGE, INA WALKER, BONNIE WHITELEATHER, ROSEMARY WILLIAMS, JOSIE MCCOY, JERRY BAKER and VIRGINIA PROCTOR. Our student guests brought the total number to about 25. Several of the students were waiting for check rides and we hope to count them among our number soon.

On the flying front CHRIS BROWN has been aloft in the Memphis CAP T34. VIRGINIA PROCTOR practiced night landings at Adams Field, Little Rock, as did your correspondent. We have to keep current to get home after these football games. The Memphis Chapter takes great pride in continuously striving to upgrade ratings.

On Nov. 6 the Memphis Chapter members flew to Wayne Municipal Airport,

Wynne, Ark. We were guests of 99 members JERRY BAKER and VIRGINIA PROCTOR for lunch at the Crowley Ridge Country Club.

During our monthly meeting which followed, 49½er MIKE WALKER gave a most helpful talk on various aspects of VOR navigation and flying. MIKE, husband of 99 INA WALKER, holds many ratings including those of flight instructor and instrument flight instructor. He and INA spend a great many hours in the air as charter and ferry pilots, in addition to his instruction time. They recently flew to Kerrville, Texas, for the unveiling of the new Mooney and flew a new Super Mooney back to Memphis.

We were all interested in accounts of the Oct. 23 weekend spent at the John Taylor Lodge, Paris Landing, Tenn., by those of our members able to attend. 49½ KEN GUTHRIE, salesman for Memphis Aero, provided a new Cherokee 6 for the occasion. Those enjoying the outing were: INA and MIKE WALKER, CHRIS BROWN, HILDA SAVAGE and JERRY and KEN GUTHRIE. JERRY is our newest member, by the way. She received her license last March and is currently flying a Cherokee. She is the mother of two boys, seven and nine years of age.

Other flying news includes MARTHA TOBEY's trip to Daytona, Fla., in her capacity as Southeastern Section Governor. She met with the two Florida Chapters to discuss plans for organizing a third. The TOBEYS had also been to Chicago. HILDA SAVAGE had flown to Freeport, Grand Bahama Island, for the opening of the new Holiday Inn.

After planning to fly to Heber Springs, Ark., for lunch on Saturday, Dec. 4, we departed our respective ways. JERRY GUTHRIE and ROSEMARY WILLIAMS were flying a Colt. CHRIS BROWN departed solo in a Cessna 172. POLLY DUNCAN and MARTHA TOBEY were in the TOBEY's Skyhawk. HILDA SAVAGE, accompanied by MIKE and INA WALKER, was also flying a Skyhawk. Your reporter winged her way back to Augusta, Ark., in 03 Bravo, her trusty 182.

MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER **Janet Green, Reporter**

We somehow missed the last newsletter so have two fine meetings to report.

In August, DOT ETHERIDGE was hostess to an unusually delightful weekend meeting in Greenville. On touch-

down we were greeted by DOT and SENATOR BILL CARAWAY and the rigors of the fly-in were at once soothed by hot coffee or coke cokes at the Greenville Flying Service. BETTY KOESTLER was out of town so graciously let the six GREENS use her car for the weekend. We sort of swapped places for BETTY had flown down to the Coast and here we were in the Delta. A delicious outdoor buffet luncheon under the old cypress trees was held at Cyprus Airport, after which we went down to the lake for an afternoon of water skiing. It was unusually sporty this afternoon because it rained so hard that at last we had to stop because we could no longer see the skier at the end of the rope. We all ended up swimming to get out of the rain and keep warm. It was all great fun and will be remembered longer than if we had a perfect day.

On the following morning we were shown some professional "cub-batics" by JOE CALL and DOT. DOT, incidentally is going to do an acrobatic "grannie" act in the coming Memphis Air Show.

Our September meeting was held at West End of the Grand Bahama Island for the Southeast Section's Fall Meeting. SAMMIE DANIELS and JESSIE MILLER and their husbands flew in, as did LUCILLE WOLFE and her husband. It seemed to be a family affair for JANET GREEN brought the other five members of her family. Our winners of the award for bravery were ETHEL RADZEWICZ and BERNICE KELLY who flew all the way from Jackson, Miss., in a 150 and unhesitatingly flew over the water. It took them about eight hours but I don't think they would have traded it for a jet. We were having radio trouble in the Aero Commander and BERNICE had offered to relay our flight plan to Miami radio if we couldn't make contact before penetrating the ADIZ but I believe BERNICE had the worst time trying to make the operator understand the pilot's name was RADZEWICZ. The weather was good to us all during this fairly long trip although some pilots from the northern part of the section had quite a battle. We had great fun snorkeling, swimming in a tremendous salt water pool, riding bicycles and of course eating on the American Plan. It was a bit hard to get used to driving on the "wrong" side of the road.

In between meetings, JANIS HOBBS flew in to Gulf Park Airport (Ocean Springs) in a new Musketeer and she

said we'd be seeing a lot more of her now that she is more mobile. We are very proud to have an illustrious new member who runs a fixed base operation, Aero Unlimited, at the New Orleans Lakefront Airport. She is JEANETTE deJARNETTE and she has every rating that is possible to obtain. Both JANET GREEN and PAT WARD have visited JEANETTE and ALICE CAGLE at Pan Air in New Orleans several times. Neither seemed to have suffered from Hurricane Betsy but the control tower is operating from a trailer in the center of the field and will be out of regular commission for six months.

HOW 'BOUT NAME STAMPS!

An ante-bellum atmosphere framed the setting of our November meeting in lovely historical Natchez with luncheon meeting at the Carriage House Inn followed by a tour of the Conerly Tavern, both renovated representatives of the glorious past, effectively preserved by the civic groups in HEZ. Our hostesses MIRIAM LOE and new 99 NITA STAHLMAN presented us with home-grown camellias and the entire day was quite deliciously, graciously "southern". New Chairman JESSIE MILLER was unable to complete her flight into HEZ since we were surrounded by towering cumulus and rain and gray, but we enjoyed a healthy number in attendance: JANET GREEN, daughter GAY and guest 66 JOAN FERGUSON from the Gulf Coast (in JANET's Aero Commander), ETHEL RADZEWICZ and BERNICE KELLY from Jackson-way (in a 150—they love 'em), LUCY and BOB WOLFE and GERALD and PEGGY MACKEY from Greenville (in the WOLFE's new Cherokee), News Reporter ALICIA HARPER from Fayette, DEE and BILL COMEAUX (and me, riding the rear seat in their Rambler 770) from Baton Rouge, our new 99's 49½er, BILL STAHLMAN, and BILLY and HELEN SIMMONS—BILLY being Instructor, Examiner, Airport Manager at the HEZ Airport. Highlights of the meeting: discussion of a nominee for the AE Scholarship Award (heartfelt thanks for those kind thoughts for me, but I don't meet the 2-year requirement), the Christmas Party with the GREENS in Ocean Springs on Dec. 11th, and the treasurer's report to which your reporter was happy to add to with \$\$ collected on the sale of our Personal Name Stamp with the 99 Compass Rose. They are gratifyingly popular and orders are coming in from all over the country. A notice was sent

to all Chapter Chairmen in June, so everyone is urged to inquire about them (my address: 3151 Shelley, Baton Rouge 70805). The remainder of our meeting and lunch and every-chance-we-got was devoted to hangar flying. BERNICE and ETHEL entertained us with their encounter with the "Devil and the Deep Blue" enroute to the SE Section in the Bahamas in the 150. JANET has been doing charters in Ocean Springs, flying JOHNNY POTTS' new Travelair, and down to Mexico in her own Aero Commander (reports flying south of the border inexpensive (pleasant and that fem-fliers are "one of the boys")). LUCY and BOB joined the Delta Pilots in Murphreesboro for some diamond hunting and yours truly ran into them at an EAA fly-in at Tallulah, La. DOT ETHERIDGE and ORA VEST were here in ORA's Bonanza, and it was fun to hear from DOT about her Aerobatic Debut at the airshow in Memphis in the Cub. She's also been chasing blackbirds off the field in Greenville, a job that's a cross between aerobatics and crop dusting, but she says it pays good and it's fun. She and JANET, as well as JESSIE, are on the brink of their CFI! MIRIAM has passed her Instrument written, much to the envy of several of us who are still hitting the books for it. My favorite 66 sister-in-law, GLORIA, took her Private written and my favorite 49½er says she's going to make a good 99. Our new 99 NITA STAHLMAN got her Private Aug. 17. On a lovely CAVU day, your reporter, on a trip to Tampa with 49½er (a new FAA Examiner!) to extradict a woman prisoner in the Sheriff Dept.'s 310, filed IFR, just for fun and to practice radio and paper-work involved. Then, on "a good day for ducks," DEE and I undertook a trip to the Cessna factory in ICT to ferry two airplanes back to BTR. It involved 11:20 flying on one of these "ceilings occasionally less than—visibility frequently less than—" days! Our course resembled a patchwork quilt and we resembled the bare threads by the time we got home! I'm not superstitious, but this just did happen to be my 13th trip to ICT!

And our Chapter is growing! We now have upwards of 30 members and practically everyone is working on additional ratings to add to the many various ones already represented in our Chapter. We're proud that the SE Vice-Governor is our own JANET GREEN, and extend a welcome to our new Louisiana members into the Mississippi Chapter. JEANETTE DeJAR-

NETT of New Orleans and NITA DELADORIE of BTR, along with the several new members from Greenville. Like I said—we're growing, and we're enthusiastic, and Flight 66 promises to be one of our best!

TENNESSEE CHAPTER

Ruth W. Thomas, Reporter

DEPARTURES AND ARRIVALS — Tennessee 99s met at the Knoxville Municipal Airport, Saturday, Oct. 16. The mass exodus of aircraft that morning, however, was not caused by the announcement of the Chapter meeting. The 16th was also the day of the Tennessee-Alabama game and VOL followers migrated south to Alabama. Inbound 99s landed on a barren airport.

1965-66 OFFICERS — Officers elected and installed for the coming year are: EVELYN JOHNSON of Morristown, Chairman; LADY McREYNOLDS of Knoxville, Vice-Chairman; VALARIE GRANT of Chattanooga, Secretary; IRENE FLEWELLEN of Chattanooga, Treasurer; and DOT PATTEN, former chairman, Historian.

VIPs or IVPs (Important Visiting Persons) — Three visiting student pilots were oriented as to the purpose and general activities of 99s, Inc. Chapter activities were gleaned from reports and, of course, chatter around the lunch table. EVELYN JOHNSON and MARY JANE QUARRELS of Morristown brought along student pilot JESSIE DRAIN of Persia. Our newest member (one week old), MARY BOWMAN of LaFollette flew over in her Aeronca with CAROLINE FRANCES. Our third visitor was student pilot GENIE RAE O'KELLEY, a substitute teacher in the Knoxville City School System.

ANOTHER PAVED AIRPORT IN TENNESSEE—FRAN SMITH reported on the progress of the new Jamestown Airport. The bond issue was passed and the runway is ready to be paved. Tennessee 99s will continue their "Yep, I've been there" policy and fly in for a meeting when FRAN announces the date.

NOVEMBER MEETING — Tennessee 99s will meet at the Morristown Airport, Saturday, Nov. 20. Block off that time period from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Items to debate are the Spring Sectional Meet which we will hostess and a possible change of monthly meeting dates. The Chairman has warned that each of us will be placed on an active committee. Maybe we ought to beat

the draft by volunteering first.

REPORTING POINTS — Don't become confused if someday you hear a pilot around the Chattanooga area reporting over JONES INTERNATIONAL. There is such an airport listed in the AOPA Directory. The fine print states that it is a private strip owned by DOT and LeROY JONES. DOT was Impound Chairman for the Terminus. The air strip is 12 miles north of Chattanooga and makes an excellent reporting point for inbound traffic.

NEW RATINGS — VALARIE GRANT has her Instructor Rating and is working at the Dayton, Tenn., Airport. SARAH DUKE has her Glider license. In mid-August SARAH attended the graduation of the CAP cadets who had completed their flying courses in powered aircraft and gliders held in Elmira, N. Y. One orientation flight in a glider called for another. She arranged for a quick course, made her 10 solo flights and received her Glider license right then and there. But that is typical of SARAH. She has been in the insurance business 3 years with Penn Mutual and last year qualified for the Women Leaders Round Table of the National Association of Life Underwriters. In September she has chosen to attend an instructor course for Life Underwriters Training which she will teach in Chattanooga this year.

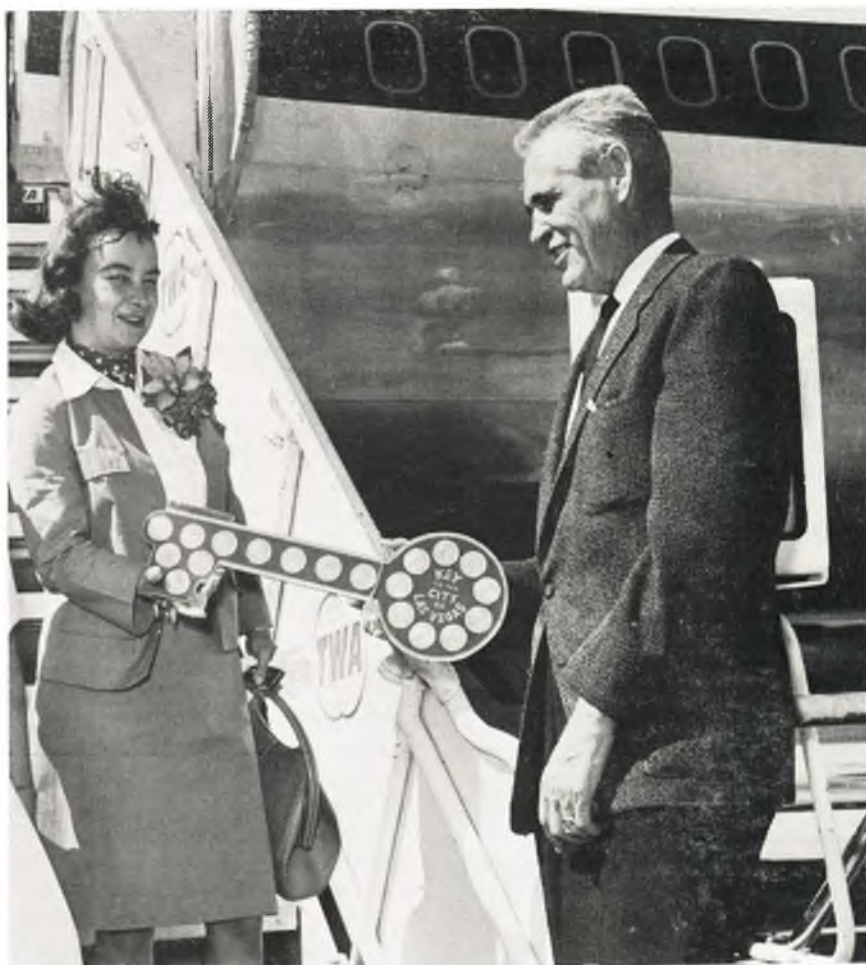


NO. CENTRAL SECTION

ALL-OHIO CHAPTER Edy Maxim, Reporter

Good for VFR for our annual meeting, September 19th, in Painesville. Forty members and guests. Some even managed a Saturday arrival, and enjoyed the get-acquainted hangar dance hosted by the Skylarks Flying Club. Thanks to CONNIE JONES, JANET GIBBS and JEAN KING for the splendid arrangements for the weekend.

Our deepest appreciation to HELEN SAMMON, our out-going Chapter Chairman, who served the busy two years so efficiently. Welcome to our new officers: MARION BETLZER of Columbus, Chairman; and CLARA THARPE of Dayton, Vice-Chairman; and re-elected officers: PAT ROGERS of Bellville, Secretary, and CONNIE JONES of Painesville, Treasurer.



Jerrie Mock visits Las Vegas . . . After setting a new World Speed Record in an Aero Commander 200 at Columbus, Ohio, Jerrie attended the AOPA Plantation Party. Las Vegas Mayor, Oran Gragson, presents Key to the City.

ANN NICHOLS received her license on September 18. Congratulations!

HELEN MORGAN checked out in a Cessna 150.

CONNIE JONES vacationed in Springfield, Ore. While there, she checked out in a Cessna 150, and passed her commercial flight test in it.

JOANN STYPE passed commercial check-ride September 10. Also, she and ROY are the proud new owners of a Cessna Skyhawk 172 (1964 model).

CLARA C. THARPE had the pleasure of meeting the first woman to make a parachute jump. She is a member of the "Early Birds," and was attending a meeting at Wright-Patterson AFB. She made her jump at age 15.

JOAN HRUBEC enjoyed visiting with EDITH DENNY and her husband in Toronto, Labor Day weekend. The DENNYs were packing for a three-week vacation to Athens, Greece.

LORRAINE MCCARTY of Detroit was

in CLE for lunch and business.

MARION and HAROLD STACKS have moved home base for the Cherokee to Cleveland Burke Lakefront Airport.

MARY SCHEAFER has a half interest in a 1963 160 Cherokee. At present she is off to Florida and Nassau with daughter SANDY via car and airline.

MARILYN COLLETTE hopes Comanche 30P will be ready for her for Sectional and the SMALL Race, after many repairs necessary from a gear-up landing by a "Pro" pilot at CAK.

JEAN HIXSON (Air Force Reserve) recently returned from a two week tour of duty to Europe, visiting NATO bases. She and DORA DOUGHERTY (Texas 99) were the first women assigned to this duty tour. Highlight of the tour was a three day stay in Berlin and making observations in East Berlin. Additional note: The Allied Forces of NATO have a strong defense. Without

NATO, the countries involved might be behind the "wall". Not one acre of Europe has fallen into communist hands since the advent of NATO.

Thank you, Minnesota Chapter! Splendid Sectional. Really, it was worth fighting headwinds for—both ways. Attending from Ohio: JEAN and DOC BONAR, JOAN HRUBEC and EDY MAXIM, CONNIE JONES and CLIFF CRABS.

Always good participation in the SMALL Race by All-Ohio. Again this year, good VFR, but oh! those winds! Congrats to HELEN and FRED MORGAN, who placed 7th. They received a trophy for Beech that did best in the race, and also another trophy for best tractible-gear Beech. 12th: IONE SHELTON and EDY MAXIM. 13th: JOAN HRUBEC and CLARA THARPE. 14th: JANICE KUECHENMEISTER. 17th: CONNIE JONES and CLIFF CRABS. Our other teams: AUTRIE and KARL LEHR, DOTTIE ANDERSON and DONNA BARNES, JOANN and ROY STYPE, MARILYN COLLETTE and TRUDY STOUGH, MARION STACKS and HELEN SAMMON. Had quite a number of first-timers, and know they found this to be a challenging and exciting event.

Congratulations to JERRIE MOCK! She just broke the world speed mark—1102 to 2204 weight class. She did the 312 mile course at 203.858 mph in the Aero Commander 200.

Attention all: That beautiful Personalized Airplane Sweater from All-Ohio was won by EVELYN FAY of Flint, Mich.

October 10th, the Chapter's penny-a-pound air lift was most successful, thanks to much pre-planning by Air Lift Chairman MARILYN MILLER. Four planes, and eventually five, were used, courtesy of Jost Aviation, DAVE MARTIN, Lane Aviation and COL. FRED MORGAN. Piloting was done by MARION BETZLER, BOB MILLER, MYRON COLLIER, FRED MORGAN, IVAN KLAYMAN, and DAVE MARTIN. Ground work accomplished by MARILYN MILLER, AUTRIE LEHR, PAT ROGERS, CLARA THARPE, JERRIE MOCK, LEAH SCHOLFIELD, BUNNY FOLEY, MILDRED KLAYMAN, JOAN HRUBEC, HELEN MORGAN and BETTE McNABB, our International Secretary (who was attending a convention in Cleveland). Proceeds will be used for air education projects. This project in itself proved to be excellent in air education. Many were taking their very first airplane ride,

and many went up for seconds. More planes could have been used. Crowds actually had to be turned away. 346 people, weighing 18,098 pounds, were air lifted.

October 30th, JANICE KUECHENMEISTER hosted our important annual event—the Achievement Award banquet, at the Barkley House on Greater Cincinnati Airport in Kentucky. Congratulations to CONNIE JONES! CONNIE, recipient of the rotating achievement trophy accumulated points logging lots of flight time, participating in races, passing her commercial, serving as Chapter Treasurer, etc., etc. Placing 2nd was AUTRIE LEHR, 3rd MARILYN COLLETTE, 4th VIRGINIA SCHUMACHER, and 5th MARION BETZLER. Speaker for the evening was GE engineer-pilot HARRIS TRUE, former project chief of the GE lift fan-powered Ryan XV-5A, now head of the Advanced Fan Systems project. He spoke on VTOL development and also showed a film on the XV-5A.

At the Chapter meeting the next day, we were all delighted to have as our guests NANCY CRAIG and BOBBIE KLETTER, pilots from Louisville, Ky. The All-Ohio Chapter and the North Central Section are making a special effort to interest and assist the Kentucky girls in forming their own 99 Chapter.

Word from NANCYLEE MALM that she flies her Debonair from China Lake to Long Beach twice for some instrument refresher work. There is quite a difference between flying a stable Twin Beech and the Debonair. Her fine instructor at CLAIRE WALTER Flying School is MAURINE LEONARD.

BETTE and BILL WARNER proud owners of a Bonanza, which they have based at Elyria.

RUTH AND MERRILL LOVE flew to Meigs November 6th for the Army-Air Force game in Chicago. Air Force won! (Of course, they're prejudiced—their son attends the Air Force Academy.)

HELEN and ELMER WIEDWALD had a recent trip to Puerto Rico.

MARION and CHARLES BETZLER—for the third time—are entered in the Third Bahamas Flying Treasure Hunt, in which more than 100 private planes are participating. Quite evident that they really enjoy this event.

JOAN and DOC BONAR have switched to a new "S" Bonanza. We're all awaiting the good word that DOC will be off the sick list soon, and up in the blue, trying out the new bird.

A unique way for MARY WENCLAW to visit her sister and mother in Strongsville and in North Royalton. She uses the helicopter mode of transportation and lands in their yards.

LEAH SCHOLFIELD passed her instrument written. . . . Also, the whole family, husband SCHO and the children, HAL, DON and KITTY, flew—with LEAH as pilot—in the "Flying Rebels 600" race over Labor Day. The race was from Atlanta, Ga., to Columbia, S. C., to Tifton, Ga., where they RON'd the first day. (They had a marvelous time.) The next day, on back to Atlanta. They placed fourth out of 43 planes. LEAH was the only woman flying and had the most children along. (The children loved it.) She won a trophy from "Flying Magazine" for coming the greatest distance and a trophy from Piper for the best Piper in the race, besides the fourth place award.

MUGS, ANYONE?

CAPE GIRARDEAU AREA CHAPTER Marge Hall, Reporter

I firmly believe we have the most enthusiastic and wonderful group of girls in the nation. All very air-minded and willing to work for any cause that encourages or promotes aviation, especially in our area.

This year we are fortunate to have a girl like LOIS FEIGENBAUM as our Chairman. She is one girl who flies constantly and wherever she goes, she promotes the Ninety-Nines and Women in Aviation.

Our POLLY FREYTAG, all 86 pounds of her, studied and worked all summer on her Instrument Rating. The happy day was Wednesday, Sept. 29. Our local paper had a lovely picture of her at the controls of her blue and white Skymaster (99 colors, by the way). It might be noted she is the "First woman to receive her Instrument Training at our Cape Central Airways". We're so proud of her.

Another new rating is in the future for EVELYN BRAESE. She'll be taking her check ride for a Commercial shortly.

This group really flies. Our darling MARY ELDERS, who won the National Pilot's Association Proficiency Race last year, up and won our local N.P.A. race this August.

Not to be outdone, our ALICE GODWIN won the St. Louis Aero Club Race, so you'll be seeing these two girls in Palm Springs for the N.P.A. race there. ALICE will be flying with her 49½er

as co-pilot, and MARY will be on the sidelines watching 49 $\frac{1}{2}$ er and son MIKE compete.

We hope some day soon to see them enter the Powder Puff Derby.

And speaking of the Derby, we girls at CGI are already hard at work planning the stop here in 1966. To you who stopped before, we'll be expecting you again, and to those who missed CGI last Race, we say, "You-all come". NADINE HEUER will be stop Chairman with ALICE GODWIN as Publicity Chairman. We'll be waiting to give you the red carpet treatment, so plan to stop.

We have two girls in our group who are always willing to help with any Aviation Day. I'm speaking of NELL RICE and LOIS FEIGENBAUM. These two girls, this summer alone, have hopped passengers at the Cape Girardeau Airport Day, at the Malden, Mo., Aviation Day and the Kennett Aviation Day. These Aviation Days are held to keep the local townspeople aware of the importance of having an airport. They deserve a big vote of thanks from our area for their effort in promoting Aviation.

We have one other girl in our group, MARY EVANS, who almost single handedly is trying to keep the Airport at Eldon, Mo., open. She has spent the entire summer running all over the state, meeting with politicians, locally and state wide, pleading with them not to close the airport. We, as a group, plan to help her in every way. We're going to see to it that the airport is used and have made plans to have our Spring Sectional Convention at the Lodge of the Four Seasons, using Eldon Airport as the base for those attending the Convention.

All you girls in the North Central Section can help us by coming to the Spring Sectional. We want that airport so crowded with planes that the Mayor can't move.

There's lots more news concerning our little group, and we're not big, only 16 members, but when you have 16 girls who are Balls of Fire, man, you've got something. See you next month with more bragging, but, as you can see, I have reason to brag.

We are still buzzing around bragging to anyone who will listen, and a few that won't, about our ALICE GODWIN.

She is the winner of the Women's Pilot of the Year Award, an honor presented to the most proficient woman pilot of the year in the nation. ALICE took first place in the First Interna-

tional Aero Classic in Palm Springs, Calif., a cross country proficiency test.

ALICE returned home last Monday with the first place \$1,000 award, won in competition with 30 other planes in this cross country event.

She was met here in CGI with the TV camera man from our local TV station, as well as the newspaper reporters and all the interested local people. Really got lots of good news coverage and publicity for flying, as well as representing the Cape Girardeau Area Chapter at the event.

Her 49 $\frac{1}{2}$ er, JOHN, was co-pilot. This is the second time they entered competition flying as a team this year. The other contest was held in St. Louis, where they won first place.

If you will recall, last year this same race was won by MARY ELDERS and she just happens to be a member of our Chapter. I've said it before and I'll say it again, "This is some Chapter!"

LOIS FEIGENBAUM has returned home from the hospital. She had surgery on her landing gear (feet) but was able to attend the meeting. This little girl, who is our Chairman this year, was nominated "Sweetheart of the Malden Civil Air Patrol". They presented her with a lovely trophy and letter of recognition.

We had several members present whom we haven't seen for some time, NADA STATLER for one. She hopes to attend more regularly and we're delighted to see her again.

Merry Christmas to all Ninety-Nines and a Wonderful New Year!

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER

Dolores J. Adamson, Reporter

Seven new members were accepted for membership at our October meeting. They are: SHIRLEY FULK, JEAN WEST, FRAN EAGLESON, LOUISE STAHLY, YVONNE BOONE, MARIE MERIDIAN and LUCILLE GREGORY. This brings our membership to a total of 40.

JEAN READ and EULA SCHMIDT have been appointed by GOV. OTTO KERNER to serve on the Board of Aeronautical Advisors in the Department of Aeronautics.

JEAN READ has been doing a considerable amount of flying lately. She has been flying charter and doing some parttime instructing for Mt. Hawley Airport near Peoria.

BETTY COMMON is still working on her helicopter rating and hopes to complete her training during her forth-

coming trip to the Bahamas and Miami Beach.

Proud plane owners are GENE and JEANNE CROCKER with a Cessna 182 and JOHN and BARBARA BRUSSEAU who recently purchased a Piper Tri-Pacer.

BOB and PAT SMITH had an enjoyable flying vacation in their Tri-Pacer to various Southern, Eastern and Northern states this fall.

THEO SOMMER reports that her daughter-in-law, LYNN, has her own television program on WILL-TV, Campaign. She reads children's stories on the program "The Little Library."

FRED and MARJORIE KELLY flew to Milwaukee the last of September to celebrate their wedding anniversary with son BOB.

BARBARA JENISON managed to get in a little multi-engine and instrument time during her recent CAP meeting in Wichita.

ADDIE O'BRIEN reports that her injured hand is nearly completely healed. She took a nasty fall backstage at the Springfield opera during rehearsals last July.

YVONNE BOONE flew the family 172 to Ames, Iowa, a few weeks ago to return her son and two friends to college.

LIBBY DUNSETH tells us that the O'Neil Airport cat (who is named Charles Augustus—after Lindbergh) has been adding to his XC time with a recent uninvited trip to Lawrenceville via twin engine. He dozed off on the return flight in LIBBY's 172. Guess single engine is just too tame for him. He now has an identifying collar so if any one finds him on another unauthorized XC, please return him to O'Neal's at Vincennes.

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

Doris Mullen, Reporter

The October meeting of the Chicago Area Chapter was held the 17th at the DuPage County Airport, West Chicago, Ill. CHARLENE FALKENBERG won the Spot Landing Contest. A lovely brunch was served by BEA SIEMON, Chairman; FLORENCE PICKERING, BETTY MORGAN, LOIS SEKETA, JOAN STICKLING, MARY PATTERSON and ARLENE ODEGAARD. Aerospace information was reported by DOROTHY WHITE and ESTHER NOFFKE. Several Chicago Area 99s will help register Cook County School Teachers at an Aerospace Institute at O'Hare Field. This meeting will also include a tour of Chanute Field.

We have another new member. It is our pleasure to welcome NANCY KUCERA of Crystal Lake. We enjoyed having KATY BOYD of Rockford with us.

The summer afforded much pleasure flying: ARLENE ODEGAARD had fun lunching at Lake Lawn — arriving and departing via 180 Cherokee Seaplane. GINNY and HANK BERWALD flew United to Seattle and back and then, later, Mooney-ed to New York and New Jersey. HAROLD and EVA WHITE flew a Skylane belonging to HAROLD's brother to the Illinois Press Association Fall Meeting in Springfield. The WHITES lost their 172 in a terrific wind storm. In the meantime, they have found many friends to ride with to 99 meetings and conventions.

I was happy to have JOAN HRUBEC and EDY MAXIM stop in Joliet on their way to Minneapolis for the Fall Sectional.

The son (CRAIG) of 99 LORETTA SINCORA was a member of the Brookfield Babe Ruth league all star Baseball Team that went to the World Series at Anderson, Ind. LORETTA's 49½'er flew the manager on a shuttle service from Chicago in his company's Aztec C. The team placed fourth in the world.

VIRGINIA and GEORGE COFFEEN flew to San Antonio, Texas, and from there took a Braniff flight to Mexico City where they spent six days in comfortable 80 degree weather. BOB and GALE PALLISARD and CLARENCE and JOAN SCHOGGER flew to Rockton to dine at the Wagon Wheel. Your reporter is having a ball — having soloed the Twin Beech with a conventional tail wheel. Wonder how soon I ground-loop?

Mary Shumway, Reporter

Yours truly taking over for our most able DORIS MULLEN, it's a good thing I'm not trying to fill her pilot boots (like "Gulliver's" maybe?). As one of our Chapter's most accomplished pilots, DORIS was featured in a two page spread in the recent issue of "MD's Wife" entitled "Sky Society" accompanied by four pictures, one a beautiful color shot of DORIS landing her Hughes 'copter at Meig's Field, Chicago. What a gal!

An entourage of the Chicago 99s flew to Grand Haven to take part in the "Michigan SMALL Race" last month which included our Chairman LOUISE and RAY KOKESH, MARIE and MIKE CRONIN, MARGE and ED LITTLE, ALICE HAMMOND, GERRY and RALPH KRAUSE, DR. SUE and GARTH ROSCOE, and yours truly

MARY SHUMWAY and better half JOHN. TRACY PILURS flew in later in "Pretty Purple Putty Tat" for the awards banquet. Clear skies, strong winds and bumpy air made for quite a challenging race. The Michigan 99s did a beautiful job of organizing and their hospitality was tremendous. And, lo and behold, our own MARGE and ED LITTLE won the 2nd place trophies (and cash) in their Comanche, behind the 1st place winners with a difference of .0023 in scoring. LOUISE and RAY KOKESH came up with the "Tail End Tony" trophy. Seems that Bonanza will just not eat gas the way its supposed to (but look at the savings on operating costs, WOW!). Anyway, a ball was had by all.

LOUISE and RAY KOKESH and GERRY and RALPH KRAUSE flew up to Wisconsin Dells recently with the Suburban Aviation Club with questionable weather for the weekend when the KRAUSES received word while there of emergency appendectomy on their son. Weather prevented an immediate return home but everything was fine! EVA and HAROLD WHITE are now new owners of a Beechcraft Debonair. (I always thought HAROLD looked debonair!)

We congregated at JOAN SCHOGGER's farm last week for Air Marking detail. We deposited the food, picked up ladders, took materials and went en masse to Oswego Lumber Yard to paint air marker on flat roof (which we were thankful for with 40 kts gusts) and did superb job! (I know cause I checked by air!) Nobly assisted by Oswego Jaycees and loyal 49½'ers, and GERRY KRAUSE's paint roller. Us-We-Go!

NONA GUSTFSON just returned from week in Dallas, Texas, where she visited her 49½'er, SKIP, who is training for American Airlines. They were hosted one evening by TONY PAGE (Editor XC News) and received fabulous hospitality. SKIP will be stowing away soon as extra baggage on an American to make it home for a weekend.

GINNY BURWALD's 49½'er is stationed at Denver, Colo., training for jets with United after 15 years with them on pistons. She's keeping the Mooney in condition while he's away.

MARGE and ED LITTLE in the Comanche returned recently from Las Vegas where they visited new grandchild, daughter and son-in-law.

Yours truly was checked out in a new Cessna Skylane and new Piper Cherokee 180, just had to see why these

Piper's were winning all these races! Happy flying!

GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

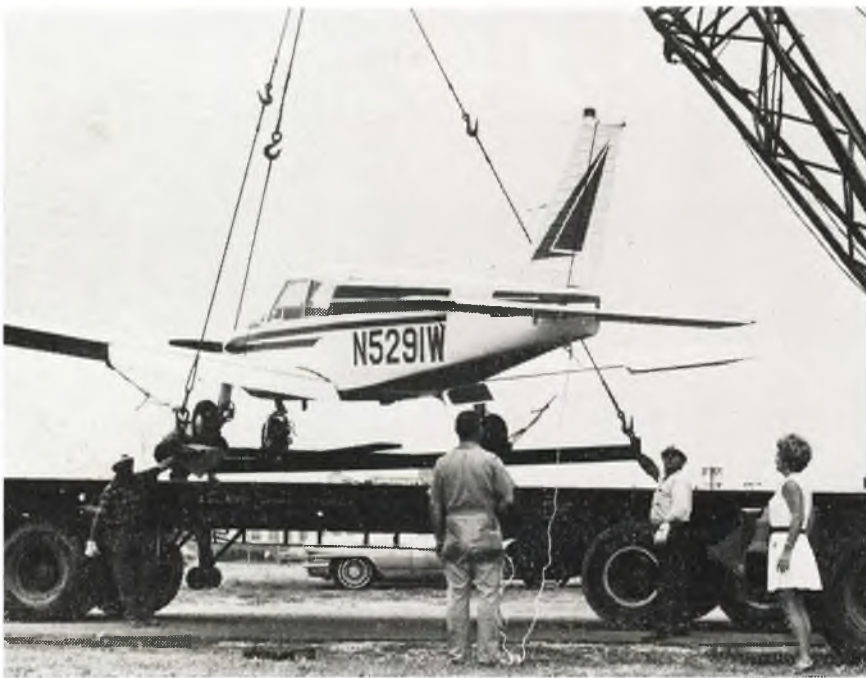
Joy Morrison, Reporter

Never underestimate the power of women and this was exactly what happened when the Ninety-Nines of Greater Kansas City undertook the project of entering a float in the American Royal Parade, October 16. Our object was to enter MARY ANN NOAH and her Piper Cherokee, twice winner of the Powder Puff Derby, in the festivities. At first it seemed simple, but then the questions began to pop: how would it be hauled, who would haul it and how much would it cost. As each question was answered it almost seemed like a bad idea; however, our President, ALEAH COMBS, set her mind to it and things began to materialize. But so did the problems. The problem being an airplane never had been in the streets of Kansas City.

A local trucking firm was contracted to haul the plane for a nice sum, but how was the plane to be mounted on the truck. After the firm's men lowered their eye brows and put on their thinking caps they came up with the idea of a frame for the truck and the plane could set securely in the mounting; however, the airport where the plane was to be had no fence large enough to taxi through so it had to be lifted over the fence by a crane and put on the truck bed.

All streets on the proposed route were measured for width and it was decided that the plane would have to enter the parade in progress. This was fine until some one remembered the location of the TV cameras — as luck would have it, the plane would have to enter the parade one block after the cameras. This would make the sponsors very unhappy. The television station was contacted and after a bit of persuasion they moved their cameras to a different location.

The details were eventually ironed out and Friday evening the 99s gathered at Fairfax Airport to decorate the float. The truck bed was so large that MARY ANN's airplane looked like a grasshopper on an elephant. The truck was fitted for the decorations and Saturday at 6:30 a.m. members gathered in Kansas City, Mo., to put the finishing touches on in the rain. The plane, the first airplane ever to enter in the American Royal Parade, made its way through the canyon-like streets of Kan-



Noah's Lark Atop A Dream Come True. Mary Ann Noah's Piper Cherokee resting on a truck bed after being lifted by a crane. The airplane, the first ever, was entered in the American Royal Parade.



Kansas City Ninety-Nines putting the finishing touches on the Chapter's entry in the American Royal Parade.

sas City with MARY ANN atop it—thanks to our sponsors.

KAY and 49½er Joe Bonnell are splitting the airways in a new Cessna 172.

The Kansas City Chapter brought the

attendance trophy home from the North Central Section Meeting in Minneapolis last month.

ESTHER BAKER took the fatal step and her new 49½er CHARLES HALL is a pilot also.

GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER

Amy Laws, Reporter

Can't believe the holidays are almost here! So much has happened since our election of officers in September. Even though it was a most eventful and busy year, this writer was happy to hand the gavel over to her succeeding Chairman, IRENE RAWLINGS. Also duly elected and installed at a brief ceremony at Weiss Airport Lounge were RUTH TAKSEL, Vice-Chairman; VALERA JOHNSON, Secretary; and JAN POCOCK, Treasurer.

Just prior to this event, these same girls were mighty ambitious travelers. IRENE, and her 49½er, ERWIN RAWLINGS, flew to Aberdeen, N. D., via their Mooney, to get in a pheasant hunt and a family reunion.

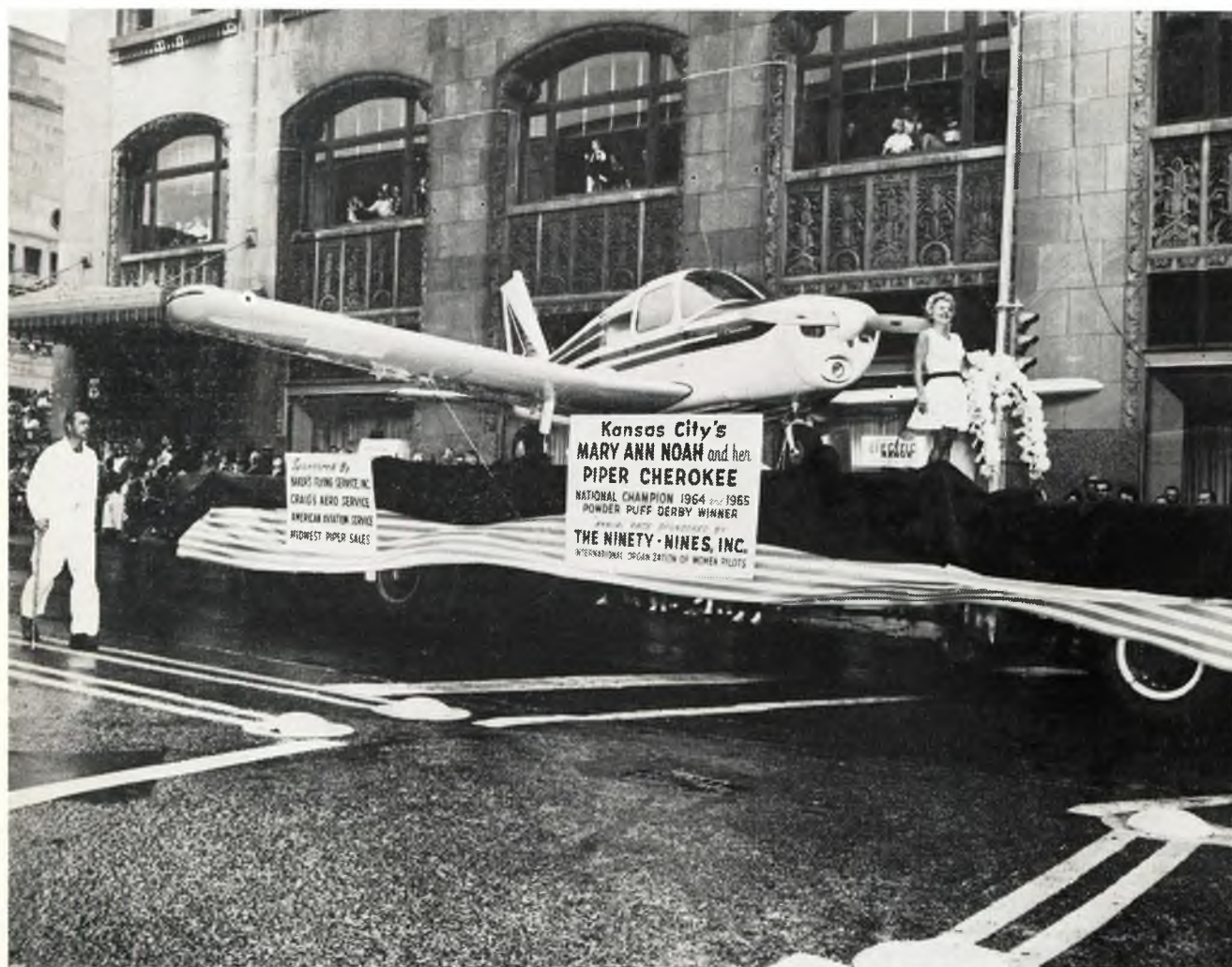
RUTH TAKSEL and 49½er NATE journeyed by jet to the land of the Carioca—Brazil, to celebrate a silver wedding anniversary. RUTH spent a delightful evening with ANESIA PINEIRO MACHADO (SHORTY), our 99 there. In case SHORTY doesn't know this, RUTH tells a hilarious story of getting a cab after leaving SHORTY's apartment on the Avenida Copacabana, only to find the driver had no English and RUTH, who is usually very fluent, had little Portuguese (or even Spanish). Fortunately the name of her hotel was an international one and after a long ride, RUTH made it back to NATE—the whole experience costing one American dollar—this the driver understood. In all fairness to him, RUTH points out he only asked 900 cruzieros but she didn't have the right change and she was so grateful to get back, money was no object.

VAL JOHNSON and AMY LAWS flew in VAL's Cessna 182 to the Fall Sectional in Minneapolis, Minn., and were joined there by DOROTHY RUMSEY, flying solo in her 182. The girls from the Minnesota Chapter really outdid themselves. It was a great meeting and the smorgasbord type food served everywhere was a gourmet's dream.

JAN POCOCK, our girl who is secretary to the pilots of Monsanto Chemical Company, doubled as a stewardess on their Gulfstream recently on a trip to Palm Springs, Calif.

Congratulations to GOLLY MONER who got her Multi-Engine Rating in 49½er JACK's Piper Aztec. We are really proud of her. She has used it since flying first to Chicago and then to OKC to visit her grandchildren.

Speaking of grandchildren, DOROTHY WHEELER is excitedly planning



Noah's Lark and Mary Ann Noah on board a flat bed truck being escorted in the American Royal Parade.

a trip to Dallas, Texas, to see her brand new grandson and Christmas shop at Nieman Marcus.

SYLVIA BLOOM and family flew in their Apache to Rochester, Minn., for a family visit. SYLVIA was our hostess for the November meeting. Our guest was Ed Rothery, Supervisor of the Lambert Field tower. We asked him a million questions and everyone felt it was a most rewarding session.

DOROTHY HAUPT brought visiting 99, PHYLLIS ANN BARBER of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to a St. Louis Aero Club dinner meeting which many of our 99s attended. It was nice to welcome her. DOROTHY's daughter, EARLENE, is an active student again. EARLENE soloed at 16 but took time to graduate from high school and is now going to ground school. Since we seem to be raising our own potential 99s, DOROTHY and I have much in common. My student pilot, RONNIE LAWS, who soloed two years ago, resumed instruc-

tion down at Cape Girardeau, Mo., from DON GODWIN, young son of ALICE GODWIN of the Cape Girardeau Chapter. Good luck, girls!

EDITH GLOVITCH is keeping busy adding to her accomplishments—she checked out in a Beech Musketeer at St. Charles Airport.

We are proud of being a diversified group. Two of our girls are glider pilots, BETTY SMALLEY and BETTY WILLISTON. The latter recently put on a neat show for spectators at Wallston Memorial Field, Alton, Ill. She reports that her 49½'er, EVERETT, is building her a 126 glider in their garage.

JANE NOYES, very proud but justifiably apprehensive, showed a news clipping which named her husband, FRANK (LT. COL. FRANCES E. NOYES) as Commanding Officer of a new unit, the 131st Direct Air Support Squadron stationed at Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, Mo. This Air National Guard unit is the first in this country

with a direct air support mission to work with Army ground units in the field. We can all sleep a little easier when we know that men like these are training to protect our country, readying themselves to go into battle when needed.

In a lighter vein, we were happy to welcome home our race pilots—RUTH TAKSEL and VAL JOHNSON, and FRAN HENKE and RUTH LAKE—from the Palm Springs International Air Race. Congratulations to FRAN and RUTH, who consistently place well in all their races. They came in fourth, in FRAN's Cherokee 180. Well done, girls. RUTH came home by jet, leaving FRAN and her mother to visit relatives in California. We all send our congratulations to ALICE and JOHN GODWIN of Cape Girardeau, Mo., for winning first place in their Cessna 172.

We are thrilled to have three new members this month—JERRY BEETZ, MILDRED JAMES and LOIS SCHAFER



Included in this group of visiting French pilot tourists, sight-seeing in St. Louis, Mo., are Greater St. Louis Ninety-Nines Loretta Slavick and Irene Rawlings, back row, right. Third from left in second row is Paul Vance, noted Monsanto pilot and St. Louis aviation speaker. French fliers included St. Louis in their itinerary while flying single-engine planes around the United States.

who were all approved at our November meeting—sorry it was not in time to get them in the roster but you'll hear more of them again. MILDRED and LOIS were brought over from Collinsville by KIT HEACOCK, a recent addition herself, to our Chapter. KIT just returned from a flight in a Cessna 172 to Morristown, N. J., with her newly-wed 49½er. She keeps proficient ferrying Cessnas from the factory at Wichita, Kan., to Walston Aviation, Alton, Ill.

Besides being a racing pilot "celebrity", FRAN HENKE has also received plaudits from the St. Louis Magazine, a very posh publication. She was featured in an article recognizing ten women in St. Louis doing unusual work. FRAN, with her 49½er, AUGGIE HENKE, owns and operates St. Charles Airport in St. Charles County, and is the only woman in this area doing professional charter work at this time.

We have another "celebrity" in our midst—one most of you know well. LORETTA SLAVICK has been honored by having her name in the latest "Who's Who in American Women". Congratulations, LORETTA. This busy lady, who was rather ill last year is back in stride and looking lovely, was hostess early this fall to a group of

French pilot tourists who flew light planes all over America on a recent visit. Some of the 99s attending the barbecue she gave were ROSE JOLY, IRENE RAWLINGS, BETTY LISSANT, VAL JOHNSON, LAURA SELLINGER. The girls met the group at the airport and took them on a sight-seeing tour of our city to see our famous new Arch, the Climatron at Shaw's Garden, and Lindbergh's trophies to name a few.

Most exciting of all was to hear LORETTA tell of her two month trip to the Orient. Her itinerary included stops at Honolulu, Hawaii; Tokyo, Japan; Taiwan, Formosa; Singapore; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; Hong Kong; Bangkok, Thailand; and in India the cities of Calcutta, Badroga, Darjeeling, New Delhi, Agra, Benares and Bombay. In Cairo, Egypt, she took side trips to see the Sphinx and Luxor, the tombs of the kings. Journeying on to Beirut, Lebanon; and Damascus, Syria, with a stop also at Jerusalem, Jordan; she ended her tour of the Middle East with visits to Israel at both Haifa and Tel Aviv. In Tel Aviv she had a most interesting visit with a woman pilot, RINA holds all ratings and corresponds to our FAA Inspector. She flies her own Cessna and is with the Department of

Civil Aviation there and also holds a Tourist Guide License, as does Israel's other woman pilot, Yael Rom, who is currently living in Cambridge, Mass., with her husband who is doing research work at Harvard. RINA is a former El Al Airlines co-pilot.

LORETTA'S account of this fabulous trip was so interesting we could have listened forever, but most interesting is her report of spending time being delightfully entertained while in Tokyo by two 99s, KAE NOZOKI, who is Executive Secretary to the Women's Aeronautical Association of Japan, and HIDEKO YOKOYMA and her daughter, a student at the University, at HIDEKO's penthouse apartment on Ginza Street. It was typhoon season and while asleep in her seventh floor hotel room, LORETTA found herself being rocked by an earthquake no less. Oh for the life of a traveling 99!

INDIANA CHAPTER

Billie Anderson, Reporter

The Indiana Chapter held their September meeting at Anderson and since the weather was kind enough to cooperate there was a good turnout. MADGE MINTON is back in the fold again and gave us an interesting program on her experiences in Pakistan, explaining the customs and dress of the inhabitants. They were lucky and left Pakistan just 24 hours before all the trouble started. MADGE's husband is now at Indiana University. She has plans under way for renewing her license and is looking forward to seeing old friends at future meetings. Welcome back, MADGE.

Purdue University just purchased nine Piper Cherokees for their General Flight Training program. Friday, Sept. 3, nine pilots were ferried to Vero Beach, Fla., to fly the Cherokees back to Purdue. Among the group was JILL McCORMICK who teaches in the Aviation Technology School at Purdue. JILL said that they were lucky at that time as Hurricane Betsy was on her north course out in the Atlantic and they left before she turned on her southwest course. Anyhow, by Labor Day all nine planes had arrived at the Purdue University Airport.

MID CASSIDY has a P Bonanza, so now it's work, work, work on sharpening herself up. HELEN GRAHN took a flying trip to Tucson, Phoenix, etc., in October. The CARL DYKEMA family has had a fine summer of flying in their Baron with trips to Colorado and

Martha's Vinyard and frequent hops to Traverse City, Mich.

CULLIE HOLST and 49½er JOHNNY are planning to do some flying to the Purdue away games this fall since their daughter DONNA has been accepted as a majorette with Purdue All American Military Marching Band. JOE and ROENA MILAN have another new baby in the family—namely "Baron VonMinsky" and are planning on a Phoenix trip about Thanksgiving.

It's not all flying for the Indiana gals. JANE ROY sharpened up her golf game enough to win a beautiful trophy for women's low gross in her company tournament last month. PEGGY COULTER has just taken up golf and plans to take some flying trips this winter to keep it up (go south that is).

Dorothy Smith, Reporter
(Pinchhitting for Billy Anderson)

The Indiana Chapter enjoyed a wonderful hangar meeting at Terry Airport near Zionsville, Ind., on October 17th. Our sincere thanks to GLORIA RICHARDS, VERDA BRITTINGHAM and MILDRED SNYDER. These girls worked very hard preparing food, decorations and all the essentials for our meeting. Of course all arrangements were made with the complete cooperation of the new airport operator and his wife, MR. and MRS. RAY VAN SICKLE. Our thanks to them and best wishes for a successful future at Terry.

Following the business meeting and lunch, MURIEL DYKEMA, our Activities Chairman, conducted Spot Landing and Bomb Drop Contests. 49½ers also participated. Winner of the Spot Landing: MURIEL DYKEMA. 49½er Bomb Drop, 1st place, HAROLD WISWELL, his pilot, his wife, ELDORA. 99 Bomb Drop, 1st place, TANNIS SCHLUNDT, her pilot, DOROTHY SMITH. There were some raised eyebrows after TANNIE's brilliant performance. She missed the center of the target by only 15 feet. It so happened her 49½er, PAUL, had chosen to stand in the center of the target, thinking it to be the safest spot on the airport.

MR. and MRS. SAVAGE SMITH are the proud owners of a new Musketeer.

DOROTHY SMITH obtained her Commercial Rating in September.

MR. and MRS. VERNIE GRAHN enjoyed 21 hours of perfect flying weather during their recent vacation to Colorado and Arizona.

MR and MRS. PAUL SCHLUNDT recently spent five glorious days in St. Thomas, gateway to the Virgin Islands.

Billie I. Anderson, Reporter

The big event for the Indiana Chapter was the F.A.I.R. Lady's Race held from Purdue University Airport, on Sunday, Oct. 31. The race was open to all Indiana women pilots. Luck was with the race committee as it turned out to be a beautiful fall day (even though windy with low level turbulence). SOPHIE PAYTON came in first with a Mooney 20A. ELLEN WITMER, a very young lady who received her license this summer, was second in a Cessna 172 and MARY MILLER won third in a Mooney 20C. Your reporter had a nice day serving as a spotter and with 49½er flew the entire course delivering spotters to one check point and hurrying on to man another check point. A big bouquet goes out to JILL McCORMICK, Chairman, and her committee for the event and thanks to twelve members of the Aviation Technology Department of Purdue University, who parked the aircraft, started and checked the finish line, and again parked the aircraft at the end of the race (they are cohorts of JILL's at Perdue).

The November meeting was held at Kenstin Manor, Helmburg, Ind. Some drove to the meeting and some of us hardy members flew. It was a typical 99 meeting day with marginal weather and on the trip home I'm sure those of us that flew probably felt that the ones who had driven were the smart ones. JILL McCORMICK flew in bringing with her two young ladies who were welcomed at the meeting as new 99 members. They were NANCY THOMAS and NOLA KEIL from Indianapolis. NANCY is a temporary resident of Lafayette while she attends the Commercial Pilots Course at Purdue University. She earns her tuition by playing piano at Arni's in Market Square, Lafayette. Both NANCY and NOLA got their Private Pilot's licenses on Good Friday, this year. New member PAULINE GENUNG attended the meeting with her 49½er and two sons. GARNET MOGLE of Crawfordsville came as a guest and prospective member. She received her pilot's license just the week before!

Attention! MID CASSIDY has been the proud owner of a new "P" Bonanza for two months and is still on Cloud 29. BILLIE SMITH, 49½er and the new Musketeer have just returned from a trip to Arizona. MARTY WYALL made her first actual instrument cross country October 9th, flying from Fort Wayne, Ind., to Rochester, N. Y.

HELEN GRAHN has taken advantage of the nice fall flying weather by making a trip to Arizona, and is planning a Florida trip with the Indianapolis Aero Club over Thanksgiving. HELEN is the owner of a new Mitchell President Autopilot. TANNIE SCHLUNDT took a fast but most exciting trip to San Juan and St. Thomas, commenting that those looking for beauty and rest this is the place to be. Your editor and 49½er CARL took an extended week-end trip to New Orleans, and on to Baton Rouge, La., to attend a football game. A wonderful trip to be recommended for its beauty and fun but not for rest.

The vacationing DYKEMAS are in Hawaii and the PAYTONS have gone to Florida and Columbus, Ohio. VERDA BRITTINGHAM, our Treasurer, also is vacationing and will be in Knox, Ind., for Thanksgiving.

Everybody is now looking forward to our Christmas party at MID CASSIDY's home in Indianapolis, on December 18.

How about that?

IOWA CHAPTER
Mary Lou Ballensky, Reporter

Nine planes and two cars carried 20 99s, 49½ers and guests to Flyers Field on Sunday, Nov. 14. This active little airport just south of Waterloo, Iowa, is operated by FRANK and RUTH SCHLEUSNER who also hosted a lovely ham dinner in their modern ranch style home just off the runway. At first, one is inclined to be a little envious of RUTH's constant close proximity to the local flying activities; but as we listened to many planes making landings and takeoffs, our own student pilot days quickly came to mind. Anyone who lives **that** close to **any** runway must have very steady nerves or a soundproof house!

Guests included SHIRLEY HARTMAN, a student pilot from Bloomfield, FRANK and JANICE DeBARTOLO of Des Moines, and JOHN and MARY VERNON also of Des Moines. MARY VERNON was voted into membership and was due to take her check ride for her multi-engine rating the next day!

A letter from PHYLLIS BARBER explained her absence and brought sad news to all of us. Her youngest daughter, JEANNA (many times a welcome guest at our meetings), was recently in an auto accident and is still in a Cedar Rapids hospital with several broken bones and other serious injuries. We

are all hoping for a complete and speedy recovery.

On the happier side, we wish to give the St. Louis Chapter, their Chairman, IRENE RAWLINGS, and DOTTY and ELMER HAUPT a special thanks for treating our PHYLLIS so royally during her October trip to their city. To quote PHYLLIS, "There is nothing like being a 99—you have **real** friends no matter where you go." Amen! CLIFFORD and KITTY HACH represented the Iowa Chapter at the Fall Sectional in Minneapolis. We are happy to announce KITTY was elected to be the Section Treasurer for the new term.

The tour of SAC in Omaha on October 9th was a huge success—thanks to HELEN FLAHERTY, who made all the arrangements, and BEA JOBE and enjoyed by a total of 57, coming from Iowa, Wisconsin, Chicago and Missouri Valley Chapters.

Other news bits — HARRIET OSTERMANN's Cessna 210 suffered damage when the gear collapsed upon landing at Omaha for the SAC tour, but, thankfully, the OSTERMANNs were not hurt. BERNICE WILSON is back from an interesting trip to visit friends in Alaska which included a flight over a glacier and the earthquake areas. HELEN FLAHERTY is going to night school learning to be a ham radio operator. And VIRGINIA KOSTNER has a new baby—Son no. 3.

Thanks again to RUTH SCHLEUSNER and her mother for the wonderful dinner they prepared and served. Our Christmas meeting will be in Des Moines. Don't forget to include our FLIGHT BAGS and 99 CARDS on your list to Santa Claus!

MICHIGAN CHAPTER **Mary Pelto, Reporter**

Filling in for the Bahama Treasurer Hunter PAT CLARK this month's news is reported by MARY PELTO.

After all those hazy autumn days our November meeting in Ann Arbor turned out bright and clear. Our hostess, WINNIE CONNELLY, arranged our brunch at Weber's. Our speaker, MIKE SIMMONS, showed us slides while telling us about Shady Trails Speech Improvement Camp. The camp, founded 34 years ago by JOHN CLANCY of Ann Arbor, was the recipient of our Christmas gift last year and we voted to give our gift to the camp again this year. The camp was taken over in 1945 by the University of Michigan and the Kresge Founda-

tion, relocated and enlarged. Approximately 100 boys ranging in age from 8 to 24 and from all over the country spend eight weeks of the summer working at improving their speech problems. The relaxed atmosphere of the camp often brings about nearly miraculous changes in the boys' entire personalities.

Our Chairman, ALICE DAVIS, recently spent six days in the hospital. Although still feeling a bit weak, she attended the meeting but had Vice-Chairman LILLIAN SNYDER conduct the business.

Our Secretary, DOROTHY REAUME, is leaving in January for a year's service on the SS Hope in Central America. Filling her unexpired term will be ANNE STEINHAGEN, who with her 49½er, BILL, made a flying vacation trip to Las Vegas, Phoenix, El Paso, Dallas and the Grand Canyon in their new Super Skymaster. They returned to Detroit on instruments after a glorious fun week of flying.

Also recently out West were VELMA DEL GIARNO and 49½er TOM. Highlight of their trip to San Francisco, L.A. and Mazatlan, Mexico, was the fishing. A first Marlin for VELMA and 2 Marlin and a sail for TOM.

Meanwhile, MARGE and FOREST HATFIELD made a trip East to visit family and friends, flying the family Tri-Pacer.

We voted to accept into our membership MARIAN WISWEDDEL of Holland; MARILYN SIDWELL of Detroit; DENISE BEALL of Grand Rapids; and BYRENA TODD of Alpena who flew to the meeting from Alpena with CAROL WELCH in a Cherokee.

HAZEL JACOBS, with commercial added to her license, was recently welcomed to Zonta Club of Adrian. They also give scholarships.

DONNA WESTERLUND and BEA STEADMAN took part in similar high altitude courses. BEA at Wright-Patterson AFB and DONNA at Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City at CARI. They each shared some of their experiences in the altitude chamber with us. BEA also participated in a survival course.

Our newest 66, LAURA HILLEBRAND, Inkster, is a nurse and a grandmother. Welcome.

MARY CARPENTER, prospective 99, received her private license October 28 and is hard at work on her commercial. She and her husband run the Piper dealership at Pontiac.

DOROTHY LIGON flew husband BOB to Florida and back in their Aero

Commander. To aid in their computing problems, BOB won the door prize—an abacus.

DONNA (BLAKE) SENTAS and husband GEORGE are the proud parents of a future lady-type pilot, LEEANN BLAKE SENTAS.

WILL CONNELLY presented the Charlotte Connelly trophy to ELIZABETH SCHUCKER for the best performance by a private pilot in this year's SMALL race. She won it before in 1963.

ALYCE LODGE recently joined The Flyers' Club. Headquartered in Pontiac, the group of married couples make a one or two day trip to some place of interest. The October trip to Empire included a color tour and ride on the sand dunes, then over to Shanty Creek for dinner and an overnight stop. Thirty-four people in nine planes joined in the fun.

LOIS WASKIN reports their new Cherokee 140 is enroute from Florida.

JOANNA SNIDECOR reports change of address: 430 W. Forest Avenue, Ypsilanti.

EDITH PHILLIPS is so busy working to get through school so she can make lots of money to get her Commercial that she hasn't any time to fly.

An item of coincidence — total bill at Weber's for brunch was exactly 99 dollars.

SAMMY McKAY says, "Buy an airplane blanket-pillow sporting the 99 emblem and colors. Besides keeping you warm or serving as a pillow, it makes money for the Michigan Chapter."

Our Christmas party this year will be held at Schuler's in Jackson on December 10th. Bring your husband or boy friend. Fun and games will follow the dinner. Don't forget your money for the Christmas project.

And I, MARY PELTO, received my 99 pin at the meeting today. Another red-letter day for my flying career.

MINNESOTA CHAPTER **Ruby St. Onge, Reporter**

After months of meetings to conduct business pertaining to the Fall Sectional, it was nice to get together with a bit of fun in mind. We chose Meely's Restaurant in Faribault for our October meeting and enjoyed a delicious smorgasboard dinner at 6:30 p.m. Due to the program for the evening we had a large group of diners, including several guests and 49½ers. Among our guests were two 99 members from other Sec-

tions. BETH OLIVER, who husband is now with Northwest Airlines, will be transferring from Alabama, and FLORENCE ROBINSON, who arrived from Seattle to be a nursing instructor at our Fairview Hospital. BETH is a flight instructor who taught her husband to fly. She just completed another year as instructor for the AOPA Clinic in Las Vegas. FLORENCE owns her own airplane and is in the process of looking for a home in Minneapolis. We are looking forward to those members taking part in our Minnesota Chapter. Also as guests were prospective members JOYCE FRANCIS, PEGGY JOHNSTONE, MARCI ROYCE, ELIZABETH ESPOINTOUR and RAE NAN WICKLAND.

Following our dinner we were taken on an African safari, via film. MISS JANE WHITESELL, a friend of our Chairman DOROTHY WESTLING, had taken the trip with her father. Being a professional photographer by trade, we were certainly given a wonderful tour of Africa by MISS WHITESELL. She narrated the film and in doing so she included many interesting little sidelights to tickle our fancy. DOROTHY WESTLING's 49½er DON was a member of this same safari so the pictures were doubly interesting.

Due to the late hour and many guests, our business meeting was brief and mostly a review of convention highlights. We were proud to have received so many nice thank you notes from those attending the Sectional. They all seemed to have enjoyed their brief stay in our beautiful city of Minneapolis. Even the weather cooperated that weekend, although it hadn't been too nice to we pilots for most of the month. It was wonderful to make new friends and renew old acquaintances again.

Two of our members were absent due to a trip to New Orleans. BERNYCE CROWDER and BARBARA STOIKE from Austin made the trip to make preparations for participation in the Mardi Gras. Hope you had fun, girls.

We had our first "fly-in" since the busy Sectional activities. We met at MARGARET MANUEL and 49½er MALCOM'S Triangle Aviation at Stanton Airport. The morning was clear and cold but the forecast poured cold water on many plans. A few brave souls took a chance and "winged in". It was good to see MARGE CUSHMAN and ROGER from Montevideo. MARGE has difficulty making our evening meetings so it

is nice to have these day time get-togethers once in a while. They arrived in their 170. Another member we have missed lately was CAROLINE OLSON from Austin. She and RAY flew in their 175. CAROLINE was on our sick list this fall but is now on the mend and it was good to see her back. They had their children with them also. Prospective member JOYCE FRANCIS flew a Cherokee down with JANE REEVES as her co-pilot. A friend of JANE's, SARA KIRKLAND, came along as guest.

Other members present were RITA ORR, her 49½er DR. BURTON and her mother, MRS. ANNA BONDY, DOROTHY RYAN and 49½er ROCKY were early and helping in the kitchen. VIRGINIA MAYER felt right at home as this is her usual stamping ground on Sundays, GINNY being our talented Soaring Champion. GINNY informed us she is taking a leave of absence from her job with the FAA. She is going to her home in up-state New York for a couple of months. We will miss her but hope she has a delightful holiday season with her family and then hurries back to Minnesota. LIZ ROBERTS, BARBARA LEITER, RUBY ST. ONGE and our Chairman DOROTHY WESTLING were also present. DOROTHY's 49½er DON was with us too. Then there were prospective members MARCI ROYCE and husband LEONARD, DOROTHY BOLANDER and husband DAVE, and PEGGY JOHNSTONE. It is nice to see so many new faces and have the husbands and children joining in the fun.

It was planned that the soaring activities would occupy the interest of our guests, husbands and children while we 99s held our business meeting. The weather did not cooperate so very little soaring took place. However, the view of the airport from the MANUEL's living room is tremendous so no one objected.

During our meeting we welcomed four new members to the 99s. JOYCE FRANCIS, PEGGY JOHNSTONE and MARCI ROYCE all from Minneapolis, and ELIZABETH ESPOINTOUR from St. Paul. Also a transfer member, FRANCES ROBINSON from the Seattle area. Glad to have you with us, gals.

MARGARET served a delicious turkey dinner with all the trimmings. There were about 30 adults present plus the children but MARGARET had prepared two huge turkeys. If the weather had been better I'm sure both turkeys would have disappeared. Our

thanks to the MANUELS for this wonderful annual affair.

Our next meeting will be the annual Christmas party at the Golden Valley Country Club on December 4th. Keep the date open and be sure to come.

Hope all 99 members have a wonderful Thanksgiving and then get rested up for the big Christmas season ahead.

KEY CHAINS ANYONE?

OZARK CHAPTER

Hazel Matz, Reporter

Our November meeting was held at Sand Springs Resort, Bennett Springs, Mo., and a blast was had by all. This meeting was planned for the husbands and all involved were to fly to Lebanon Saturday evening where transportation was provided to the Lodge. This resort is MAYME and PAUL BURTINS new project and is one of the most beautiful places I've had the pleasure of seeing.

Those attending were: JEAN and JERRY McCLERNON, JEAN and TERRY FULDNER, VELMA and CLARENCE HITE, PATTY and BEN HURST, MARY ELLEN McCLERNON, NAOMI JOE WINCHESTER, HAZEL and HOMER MATZ, several guests, and of course the BURTINS.

After a delicious steak and all the trimmings, including watercress from the Spring, we all settled down to view movies and slides of everybodys recent flying trips. These ranged from Alaska to Mexico and many points between. Those not particularly interested in the pictures were royally entertained by a very talented guitarist and folk singer. For some reason this proved most popular with the younger girls.

The highlight of the evening was a surprise formal (?) initiation ceremony and presentation of official 49½er cards to all husbands present. All in all it was quite an evening.

The next morning most were ambitious enough to get an early start toward home—or work, but the FULDNERS and MATZ decided to be lazy. We spent the rest of the day walking around the spring, along the river, searching for arrowheads, sitting by the fireplace and just plain relaxing. We all felt the weekend was a huge success and suggest the same type of meeting for any Chapter.

Frankly, I goofed and did not get any recent flying news from any one. RICK and I flew to New Bern, N. C., to bring that wandering Navy boy of

ours home for a few days. A beautiful trip if you exclude the development of carb. ice that would NOT clear out. Fortunately, we were about 6,000 ft. over the Fayetteville, N. C. airport so we went down and visited with them for a couple of hours while the mechanic checked the bird to make sure it was ice and nothing else. No more trouble the rest of the trip.

But to the preparations necessary for the upcoming visit from that aviator who wears the red suit and long white whiskers, we will not have a December meeting. See you in January in SGF.

SEASONS GREETINGS AND HAPPY FLYING TO ALL.

WISCONSIN CHAPTER

Marie A. Mitzenheim, Reporter

EHREN and DOUG FATH were hosts for our October meeting at Waukesha Airport. Students were invited to be our guests at a luncheon, and they included KATHY POWERS who has 12 hours flying time at Galt Airport, ALICE WITTKOPP from Oconomowoc who has soloed, SUE who was working at the airport desk, MAGDA DOXBARGE who has 38 hours in an Ercoupe, NANCY NOESKE who has 33 hours in a Cessna 150 out of General Mitchell Field, DONNA NOESKA and LILA SMITH who had soloed just the day before, SANDRA HALL who flies a 140 out of Waukesha and has 3 hours, MARYANNE KORTE who has soloed 4 planes in 30 hours, and BEVERLY MORTON, who has soloed 3 planes in 38 hours and plans to study Aviation for a full time career in flying.

CHAIRMAN TONEY told the guests of the history of the 99s and RUTH LEMBKE spoke of the first Wisconsin Chapter Meetings.

ROMONA HUEBNER told of tentative plans for our Section Meeting here in Milwaukee next fall.

DEEDO HEISE sent word that she will soon be rid of her cast. We've missed her and Flighty Lady and her 49½er at our meetings!

A beautiful day for flying brought the following people to our November 99 meeting at East Troy, Wisconsin: RAMONA HUEBNER, JOAN HAMMARSTEDT, DOLORES BARTELS, ANN ROETHKE, SPRAGUE BARTELS, LOIS A. NESTLE, MR. AND MRS. BOB STUMP, VERA D. GALT, MR. AND MRS. HARVEY BRANDAU, JANE SCHANTZ, JANE OEHLERS, F. TONEY, JOAN McARTHUR, DORA

FRITZKE, EHREN FATH and MARIE MITZENHEIM.

CHAIRMAN TONEY conducted a business meeting.

ANN ROETHKE told us of her recent flight to The Bahamas. Exciting.

MARILYN FIFIELD wrote that she and her family were going to fly to the Bahamas for a week.

MR. G. LANDRY of Beechcraft had just returned from a Beech Meeting and spoke to us on latest figures of sales, and on safety records. He said the figures prove it is 22 times safer to fly than to drive.



ABILENE CHAPTER

Mel Hall, Reporter

The South Central Section Meeting was an absolute ball. It was this reporter's first Sectional Meeting and I was so impressed that I shall be looking forward to the next one, which incidentally will be in Denver in the Spring. Met some marvelous people and do wish I had the space to mention them all, but since it is impossible, I will extend my thanks and appreciation to all for a wonderful time. Congratulations especially, to MARY AIKINS and JOYCE FUNSCH for the marvelous air show in the Pitt Specials. Those two girls are really talented.

The weather was not too cooperative, especially the Sunday when everyone tried to get home before the front settled in. This reporter and passengers flew IFR that day to Burlington, Iowa, and back to Kansas City where we spent the night. The flight next day to Oklahoma City was beautiful. Travelled approximately 1600 miles and added 10½ hours to the logbook.

One of the most amusing incidents of the trip was the utter confusion of the Control Tower Operator. One male pilot in the traffic pattern demanded to know of the Tower what was going on with all the female pilots. The reply from the Tower was "who knows"?

The Abilene 99s hosted the All Texas Air Tours on October 6th. There were some 40 airplane and 80 to 90 people. Abilene was designated as a "howdy" stopover. We served coffee and sweet-

rolls which they appreciated since the weather was cold and cloudy and windy. Two 99s happened to be in the group and their gripe was only that their respective 49½ers were not so hot as navigators. The event was covered by the local newspaper and TV. As a reward to the 99s some of us got to ride in the Jet Commander. This reporter had the privilege of riding in the right seat and reading off the check list to the pilot, BILL WHITE of Dallas.

We are very proud to announce that MARILYN SCHULZ has been named International Airmarking Chairman this year.

Our project for the year was a garage sale held at the home of AMBER CREE on October 15th and 16th. This project netted the 99s a total of \$378.00 which will be used to purchase office equipment for the local office of the Texas Mental Health Association.

As of this writing JOY RAMSEY and AMBER CREE and their 49½ers are planning a trip to Juarez, Mexico, and Las Vegas, Nevada.

ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER

Shirley Morris, Reporter

Happy Holidays from the land of the Christmas Tree, Pinata's, Luminarios, and Beautiful Blue Skies. We send you "Greetings from New Mexico."

October and November have slipped by since the last newsletter and there is much to write about. First of all, two of our 99s and their 49½ers, COILA and BOB MOELLER and IRENE (SHIRLEY) and JOHN KAY, flew in the Kay's Bonanza to the South Central Sectional Meeting in Wichita, Kansas, the last of September. We understand that IRENE and COILA flew off with the First Place Trophy for the Treasure hunt at the Sectional. (Pretty neat job of navigation there, girls!) Glowing reports came back to the rest of us stay-at-homes of the enjoyable times the hostesses made possible for all in attendance. Sorry we missed the fun!

The MOELLER'S hosted the October meeting which was a delicious Potluck supper. There were quite a few guests present including husbands, which really made the evening a roaring success. BOB showed several movies on aviation travel and on the 58th Weather Reconnaissance Squadron. I understand the latter was a film made for Huntley-Brinkley for television. We all certainly appreciate the big job

that BOB and the men of the Squadron or doing for us.

That evening ELIZABETH HAWES received her 99 pin. We are proud to have you with us, ELIZABETH. We also had a guest from the Tucson, Arizona Chapter of 99s, MEG GUZZOLES, who is currently in Santa Fe, N. M.

The November meeting was held in Moriarty, N. M., at the home of our Chairman, GEORGIA TILLERY, where there was another very large turnout to hear DREW McMURROUGH talk to us on 'Poise, Powderpuff Pilots'. MRS. McMURROUGH is owner of a Beauty Salon in Albuquerque. Another 99 pin was awarded at this meeting, this one to PHYLLIS DIEDRICH who had just received her private license a short time before. Congratulations PHYLLIS!

In between meetings we have been taking advantage of our lovely flying weather. The last of September saw the SANDOVAL'S, LILLY and 49½er SANDY, flying to San Diego, California, for the Antique Airplane Show where they enjoyed seeing the vintage aircraft all polished and shiny.

IRENE KAY flew to Ohio for a vacation, but how did she go? On a Commercial Jet! Were you in a hurry! I forgot to ask IRENE if she got to take a peek in the cockpit.

RANDY and JACK SUTHERLAND just returned from a fishing trip to Guymas, Mexico, where they landed at a very nice strip at San Carlos Bay, just about 10 miles away from Guymas. It sounded like a nice vacation trip. RANDY gave me some more exciting news today too. Their son, GARY, will be married on December 11th in Davenport, Iowa. Our Congratulations to GARY and his bride-to-be! Excited RANDY?

BILL and I got our feet off the ground after kicking tires for what seemed like a long time. We flew our new (to us) Cessna 210 over to Las Vegas, Nevada, with another flying couple to attend one day of the American Dental Convention and one long night of feeding the jackpots and watching the shows. We flew back the next morning very happy we had made the trade. Our new little bird is certainly a lot faster than our 172 was. I'm really pleased.

DONNA DOWNEY has been temporarily grounded by jury duty, and as of this writing, two of our members are temporarily hospitalized. MARGARET PAREZ in Vaughn, N. M., and

COILA MOELLER in Albuquerque, N. M. I hope when you read this both of you are back in the air again. At least outside air! Again, we of the Albuquerque Chapter want to wish everyone a MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!

AUSTIN CHAPTER

Peggy Dougal, Reporter

The Austin Chapter has a new news reporter. We regret that BEATRICE NOLEN, former reporter, was unable to continue because of the untimely death of her husband.

Your new reporter, PEGGY DOUGAL just received her Private Pilot license in July, joined the 99s, and was immediately put to work. I can see that this is a busy organization with each one taking part!

The last week in October our Chapter met for a morning coffee and business meeting at Chairman BEVERLY GREGG'S home. There was plenty of coffee but even more business since this was our first meeting after summer vacations ended. Our Vice-Chairman for the coming year is MARY LOU FITZGERALD. MARY HELEN BRATTON is again our Secretary-Treasurer.

We are happy to have MIMI MULDROW back in our group. She has returned to Austin to instruct at Ragdale.

Before the coffee ran low, we took time to catch up on summer activities of some of the members. The GREGGS and RAMSEYS (JOY RAMSEY is an Abilene 99) and their children vacationed together again this year in Ruidosa, N. Mex. BEVERLY confesses that they drove but, as you would expect when four pilots get together, they spent a considerable amount of time at the airport checking things out.

Your reporter and 49½er spent six weeks of business and pleasure in Europe. In addition to the traditional sights of London, Rome, etc., we made a point of driving out to see the airport in the major cities. Of special interest was LeBourget Field, Paris, where Lindberg landed after his historic flight. Incidentally, as we snooped around in some of the hangars we came upon mechanics assembling a small Beechcraft which had been shipped overseas in crates.

MARY LOU FITZGERALD and her husband enjoyed attending the AOPA meeting in Las Vegas. They were one of the 1700 planes registered there. She

reported it was quite an experience, once the meeting adjourned, to be among those hundreds of planes all wanting to take off at the same time!

JUDY FAIREY (our 66), her husband and children flew to their lake home in Michigan. As in former years, they were joined by NANCY McQUOWN (another of our 66s), her husband and family. MARY HELEN BRATTON left her wings back in Austin and went by train through Mexico to Los Moches. From her account of those high bridges, 36 of them spanning the canyons, and the 89 tunnels cut through the mountains, it must have been very scenic.

Another October event involving Austin 99s took place on the 9th when the All Texas Air Tour stopped overnight here. AMA LEE JAMESON and her helpers were kept very busy serving refreshments and giving directions to all the arrivals.

November 20 the Austin Chapter will host "Activities for the Ladies Who Do Not Fly" attending the Texas Aviation Program. This three-day program sponsored by the Longhorn Flying Club and The University of Texas will include a full day Physiological Training Session and most of the second day reserved for altitude chamber use.

COLORADO CHAPTER

Marie Engleman, Reporter

Officers of the Colorado Chapter for the coming year were announced at the September meeting. They are JO DENNIS, Chairman; PAULINE MEIGHEN, Vice-Chairman; MARGE BLUE, Secretary; and PAT LUTHER, Treasurer. The meeting was held at the home of MARGE BLUE who is also Chairman of the Spring Sectional next May 20-21-22.

Reports were heard on plans for the Spring Sectional and the Ninety-Nines voted to accept Jeffco Airport's offer as host airport. Support—and cash—and prizes were offered from all facilities on the field. It will be a real fun-and learn-convention.

JO DENNIS, MARGE BLUE, CARL and BETTY JO REED, FREDDA TURRILL, GWEN CRAVEN, SUSAN EVERETT and MARIE ENGLEMAN enjoyed the Fall Sectional in Wichita in October. It was fabulous and Colorado is hoping for as successful a Sectional as the one in Kansas.

JOHNNY MYERS showed a film on the B-70 Super Sonic Airplane built by North American for the Air Force at the November meeting. "We'll prob-



Colorado Chapter officers for the coming year are, left to right: Marge Blue, Secretary; Pauline Meighen, Vice-Chairman; Jo Dennis, Chairman; and Pat Luther, Treasurer. Marge Blue represented the Colorado 99s at ground-breaking ceremonies for an Air Traffic Control Tower at Jeffco Airport, Saturday, Nov. 13. Donna Myers, International Vice-President, and Jo Dennis were also recognized during the event.

ably never fly one," a 99 remarked, "but it's nice to learn what makes them tick." The 99s and their guests enjoyed a dinner at King's Table after the film.

The Christmas party will be held December 4 at Dublin House in Colorado Springs. Since the distance is short, a bus has been chartered from Denver, with members and guests meeting at Alasco for pre-trip cocktails courtesy of FREDDA and LARRY TURRILL. BILL WHITEHURST is hosting the group on the bus, doing away with BYOB measures. It's probably a good thing that the 99s will be flying low on this trip.

New members of the Colorado Chapter are RONNIE JOHNSON, Denver; BETTY JO REED, Littleton; BARBARA MERRIAM, LOU ANN VAN VALKENBURGH of Boulder; and MARTHA KENT, Greeley. It's a pleasure to welcome these five new members to 99s.

Among committee heads announced are SHERRIE O'KEEFE, Membership; MARIE ENGLEMAN, Newsletter; HELEN MAXSON, NIFA award; VIRGINIA SWORTS, Aerospace Education; GWEN CRAVEN, AWTAR stop at Cheyenne; and PAULINE MEIGHEN, Program Planning. GWEN CRAVEN has been named to the Section Nominating Committee by ARLENE WALKUP.

RUTH MUGELE held a showing of her paintings in Denver the last half of October. The JOHN MYERS spent a little over two weeks in Germany and Switzerland in September. JO DENNIS and MARGE BLUE have been doing some ferrying of planes and FREDDA TURRILL is flying charter regularly.

Tragedy struck the home of 99 MARIAN and 49½er ED TANKERSLEY of Denver, November 10, when their 20-year-old son, GEORGE, was killed in a car accident. He was a student at Colorado State and is survived by his wife and small daughter as well as his parents and a younger sister and brother.

MARGARET DWELLY was released from a hospital November 10 after surgery and is feeling fairly well.

At a November 12 meeting at the home of Chairman JO DENNIS, Colorado 99s agreed to plan for a regular meeting place and a program at each meeting; to help sponsor a new CAP Cadet Squadron at Broomfield; and discussed helping to establish a Department of Aeronautics in Colorado.

DALLAS CHAPTER

Mary M. Gauss, Reporter

Although the News Letter Reporter for the Dallas Chapter has been lax in getting NO information in, the Dallas Chapter HAS been an active group.

September our election of officers resulted in: Chairman, DOROTHY WARREN; Vice-Chairman, KATHY LONG; Treasurer, EDNA WRIGHT; Secretary, PHYLLIS EMMERT.

October followed with members of our group helping to make a huge success of the Annual Doll Derby, which was programmed as usual by the Aero Society. Eleven planes were in the competition with none other than EDNA GARDNER WHYTE finishing first. Our congratulations, EDNA!

Our November 11th meeting was another joint project with the Aero Sorority. The Party Food Demonstration Program given by two representatives from Dallas Power and Light was enjoyed by all. EDNA WRIGHT has arranged some very interesting meetings this year.

We're all looking forward to the Wright Flight Dinner at Greater Southwest International Airport on Friday, December 17th. This has been held for several years by the Fort Worth Chapter in honor of pioneer pilots. Let's have a good turn out for this affair.

Here's to good food, good fellowship, and good flying.

EL PASO CHAPTER

Mary Olmstead, Reporter

RUBY TATMAN flew RUTH DEERMAN and BETTY ROGERS to Wichita and were our representatives at the South Central Sectional along with RUTH FLEISHER who went via hiway in order to do some visiting enroute. Chairman EVELYNE WASSER could not leave as early as the others so got weathered in enroute.

We are sorry that Uncle Sam sent RUTH FLEISHER'S 49½er off to Viet Nam. During his absence Ruth has gone to live with her family in Florida at 16790 South West 297th Terrace, Homestead, c/o Shafer. We miss you mucho, RUTH. Buena Suerte to you and BUD. JUANITA BURDICK replaces RUTH as Vice-Chairman.

We congratulate FRANCES SLAPE and her 49½er, DEWEY, for the grand reception, program and transportation they provided for our October meeting at Deming, New Mexico. Eight planes and 15 people arrived for the brunch and meeting at Ramada Inn. EVELYNE WASSER had LOIS HALEY, RUTH DEERMAN had WIN GRIFFIN, MARGE BEARD had 49½er Bob, MARY FRAN SEIDL had two prospective 99s; MARGARET THOMPSON and NORMA KUDIESY, and MARGIE

YARNALL from Bethpage, L. I. RUBY TATMAN had BETTY ROGERS, VIVIAN CUSHMAN, student, soloed in her Ercoupe, LELA CARWARDINE came from Las Cruces in her pretty pink and silver Cessna. Your reporter had her 49½er, NOEL. Another prospective 99, MILDRED STEWART, and her instructor from Champs Aviation arrived at Deming airport on her dual cross-country. After the meeting, RUBY and BETTY flew to Tucson for lunch and an inspection of their new terminal facilities. The rest of us flew back home.

Just before leaving Deming, NOEL and I had the unexpected pleasure of seeing our former "Pride & Joy" 5001A arrive. It was good to meet Zero One Alpha's new owner, MR. TIDWELL of FAA stationed at Silver City, New Mexico. For the record, NOEL took a picture of the two sweet birds side by side. Some day, Zero One Alpha maybe in Cessna's museum since it is the first 172. In 1959 it took us on a coast to coast, 4 weeks tour of the U. S., over 8,000 miles and never a wheeze in its sweet purring engine.

EVELYNE combined business with pleasure—flew herself to Truth or Consequences to give a program on Interior Decorating at the T or C Woman's Club. They presented her with a basket of fruit and flowers.

We say RUBY TATMAN, BETTY ROGERS, MARY LOU MOON and 49½er DEAN among the thousands watching the sky diving, bi-plane and sail plane acrobatics, and the wonderful Thunderbirds at the recent fabulous Alamogordo Air Show.

In November, we toured RAPCON located at Biggs Air Force Base. On December 18th, our Christmas Dinner Party will be at Biggs Officers Club.

MARY LOU MOON, who is working on her Instrument rating, had an exciting experience recently. She sat in the pilot's seat and flew the American Airline's Ford Tri-Motor to Tucson and has a card signed by Chief Pilot, CAPT. REESE, to prove it. The Tri-Motor, built in 1929, carries 13 passengers, has an indicated airspeed of 85 mph. It took 3 hours to reach Tucson—and used 62 gallons of fuel per engine. 49½er DEAN, flew his Skyhawk alongside the Tri-Motor to bring MARY LOU home and found himself working hard not to pass this special Air Liner. Wonder how many 99s have flown the Ford Tri-Motor???

To OREGON CHAPTER, our sincere thanks for taking our POLLY PEECE under your wing.

And to you, POLLY, your interesting letter is greatly appreciated. We'll be looking forward to seeing you in El Paso in January.

To our neighboring Chapters: we hope you'll join us on our tour of the FAA Control Center at Albuquerque on January 15th (raindate the 16th).

HOUSTON CHAPTER

Louise Bickford, Reporter

Our chapter has been so busy that I hope I won't leave out any important news.

Our October meeting was held at the Town House with RUTH HILDEBRAND and ALINE BUSH as hostesses. This was one of the best attended meetings for both the 99s and Petticoat Pilots.

Two guests were introduced: SHIRLEY HALL and VIRGINIA SMITH. SHIRLEY used to fly in the Civil Air Patrol in El Paso a number of years ago. VIRGINIA is a new pilot and we hope she will be a new member soon.

The 16th of October we met at Hull Field in Sugar Land to airmark that airport. The name is nice and short so that didn't take too long. Our next airmarking was postponed due to fog. We have quite a schedule of airports lined up to mark so it looks as if we are going to keep the paint brushes busy for a few months.

At our last meeting MARY ABLE announced that she had been appointed airmarking chairman of the South Central Section. We hope all chapters will give their full support to this worthwhile project.

The Houston gals converged on Dallas for the Doll Derby the week end of Oct. 22 and everyone had such a good time. Those participating were MARY JANE STEPCHINSKI, pilot, MARY BURKE, Co-Pilot; MARILYN STONEBERG, pilot, RUTH HILDEBRAND, Co-pilot; and MARY ABLE, pilot, LOUISE BICKFORD, Co-pilot. For some of us it was the first air race and this was certainly a fun race to begin on.

A couple of days after returning from Dallas we were busy helping and attending the Petticoat Pilot's annual champagne party. This is their membership drive and everyone beats the bushes to locate all new women flying enthusiasts. The 99s eventually reap the benefits of this party.

JOYCE CASE FUNSCH was in town the early part of October and several of us got together for cocktails to meet her at the beautiful Warwick Club. Our gracious hostess for this party was Chairman, MARY ABLE. Those attending beside MARY and the guest of honor were: MARTHA AKINS, MARY BURKE, LORI ADAMS, IDA MORTON ROSS, MABLE EDYTH OLIVER, MARILYN STONEBERG, MARY JANE STEPCHINSKI, RHEA ALLISON and LOUISE BICKFORD. If I have omitted anyone, I do hope you will accept my apologies. I seem to have misplaced the list I made of those attending.

This party was our first opportunity to meet our new member, LORI ADAMS—a transferee from Long Beach. LORI has just recently gotten her instructor rating and is teaching weekend at Pearland. She hopes to be able to instruct full time eventually. We are certainly proud of all the higher ratings the girls in our Chapter are acquiring.

At this time I would like to have you meet our new members:

SALLY COX works as a draftsman for a large construction company. She has given up all other hobbies and concentrates on flying. SALLY took her first lesson the middle of March, and less than five months later had her private license. Now her plans are to work on an advanced rating.

RUTH HILDEBRAND and her veterinarian husband own two animal clinics. RUTH began instruction in a Cessna 175 and just before her flight check, they purchased a Debonaire so she was delayed somewhat in getting license to become accustomed to the new airplane.

MABLE EDYTH OLIVER took lessons in a Cessna 150 and has been checked out in a 172. She and her husband are in the market for an airplane. MABLE EDYTH plays the piano and organ for a funeral home and a church.

MACKIE FUSILIER and husband own an unique airport on the north side of Houston named Flying Acres. Lots are sold on this airport to pilots only. Anyone looking for an ideal setup such as this should get in touch with MACKIE. She flies a Cherokee which she is able to keep at her back door.

Our November meeting was held in the beautiful auditorium of the Great Southern Life Insurance Company. This was arranged for by BETTY CHEAT-

HAM a prospective members attending the champagne party.

One of the most interesting programs we have had was presented by CAPTAIN JIM BATH with the 147th Fighter Group, Texas Air National Guard stationed at Ellington Air Force Base. He explained some of the fighter operations of the Air Defense Command and showed slides which he took on some of his missions. CAPTAIN BATH is an F-102 pilot.

Our meeting was mainly concerned with the last minute details of the Christmas dance which we jointly sponsor with the Petticoat Pilots. This year it will be held at Kaphans Cotillion Room, December 9th.

MARTHA AKINS and your reporter spent one afternoon buying Christmas decorations for the table center pieces then the following afternoon we met at MARY COALE'S house along with MARY ABLE, RUTH HILDEBRAND, MABLE EDYTH OLIVER and Petticoat Pilot President, ROZALIA PETERS, to make the arrangements.

KANSAS CHAPTER

Mildred Early, Reporter

A big "Thank You" to all of you who attended the South Central Sectional, thus making it a big success with your presence and enthusiasm—we're sorry all of you didn't make it!

With weary, but happy smiles, we have launched into our plans for the coming year with our new officers: Chairman, GENE NORA JESSEN; Vice-Chairman, MARILYN COPELAND; Secretary, JUANITA HATTAN; Treasurer, EARLYNE SCHOLFIELD; Membership Co-Chairman, JOYCE FUNSCH and JEAN NOBLE; Reporter, MILDRED EARLY; GARNET HASTINGS is Chairman of Public Relations and the Scrapbook; ALICE DODD, Flying Activities and Air Marking; GRACE BROWN, Air Age Education and BETTY BUCKMAN, Hospitality Chairman. On October 6, GENE NORA had a meeting of the new officers and committees to formulate plans for the coming year. The calendar is an ambitious but very interesting one!

GENE NORA presided at her first meeting October 9 at PAT McEWEN'S home. Sixteen 99s attended and PAT was presented with an engraved desk pen set as outgoing Chairman. Following the meeting, we all enjoyed a delicious luncheon prepared by PAT.

Congratulations to our 99, ALICE DODD for having passed her Instrument written! And also to PAT Mc-



Mrs. O. A. Beech's Birthday luncheon, Sept. 25, was a highlight for 99s attending the South Central Section Meeting at Wichita, Kansas. Picture from left: Velma Lee Copeland, Governor SCS; Pat McEwen, Kansas Chapter Chairman; Mrs. Beech, President Beech Aircraft Corporation; and Marilyn Copeland, Convention Chairman.—Beech Aircraft photo.

EWEN on a 99 first, flying a Lear Jet. PAT flew to California with MR. LEAR—breakfast in Wichita, luncheon in L. A. and a visit with DANNY KAYE and back home in time for dinner! And PAT got to fly the Lear Jet on the return trip!

Our girls plan to help the Flying Farmers with their Penny-A-Pound Airlift on October 31; and November 20, air marking with the Wing Scouts in Smith Center, Kansas. Also, on October 23rd, we will be helping HAZEL GUY at Municipal Airport with a tour for about 300 Girl Scouts from the surrounding territory.

MARILYN COPELAND and 49½er JOHN, were in Las Vegas last month attending the AOPA Plantation Party where they had on display a computer JOHN designed—it is electrically operated and computes both time and distance. Our congratulations to JOHN and MARILYN! JOYCE FUNSCH spent a week in Houston giving talks and TV interviews and tells us what a nice time she had with 99s there! GENE NORA JESSEN attended the National Women's Advisory Committee Meeting, Oct. 15-17, in San Francisco.

GENE NORA JESSEN and GARNETT HASTINGS attended the Aero-

Classic, Palm Springs, Calif., during the second week of November. Enroute via Muskateer, they Ron'ed in El Paso with RUTH DERRMAN and WIN GRIFFIN and then stopped in Phoenix to pick up ALICE ROBERTS. PAT McEWEN joined them in Palm Springs and the girls had a highly successful and interesting experience manning the 99 booth and display. They reported that approximately ninety 99s (or potential 99s) from all over the U. S. registered at the booth. PAT and GARNETT returned to Wichita non-stop in two hours and ten minutes in a Lear Jet, piloted by MR. LEAR.

JOYCE FUNSCH just returned from the International Congress on Air Technology. The meetings were held in Hot Springs, Arkansas. JOYCE had the pleasure of meeting BOB HOOVER and The Thunderbirds; GENERAL McCONNELL, Air Force Chief of Staff and JACQUELINE COCHRAN. An air show was held at the Little Rock Air Force Base in which JOYCE participated in her Pitts.

NEBRASKA CHAPTER

Florence Boring, Reporter

If ever a Chapter of Ninety-Nines was given a royal welcome, the Ne-

braska Ninety-Nines received one from the people of Scottsbluff when two new NinetyNines, DOROTHY ADCOCK and PAULINE PERRY, hosted the October meeting.

Coffee and rolls upon arrival in a room at the airport especially decorated for the occasion with pictures of antique airplanes on the walls and flight charts for table covers, "mum" corsages in lovely fall colors, the company of MAYOR AND MRS. C. A. THOMAS at dinner at Big John's Barbecue, a tour to Scott's Bluff and the Museum through Mitchell Pass, and shopping bags of "goodies" from the businessmen of the city were indications of the thought and effort that made the day an outstanding success. Even the weather was perfect for the little planes flying above the crazy-quilt of early autumn colors!

Members and guests present were SHIRLEY AMEN; LOIS DURHAM; VERDAYNE MENZE with son JAY and guest AGNES HENKELMAN; LEAH SNART and 49½er BILL; JAN HEINS; MARTHA PURDY; JEAN GIVEN; BARBARA KREJCI; FLOR-ENCE BORING; DOROTHY ADCOCK, 49½er CASH and daughter CYNDE; PAULINE PERRY and 49½er JOHN; JANE JOHN, former member and husband DARR; new member CAROL MISCHNICK, Alliance; and soon-to-be member JOY LANE of Gering and her husband, BYRON.

Many thanks, DOROTHY and PAULINE and your fellow Scottsbluffers, for a wonderful day!

With a program planned primarily to promote interest in Aerospace Education, the November meeting of the Ninety-Nines was held in Hastings, Nebraska, with twenty-nine members, prospective members, and guests present. SHARON MEYER of Hastings was serving as hostess for her organization for the first time, and with the help of her guest, BETTY WILLIAMS, a prospective member, she certainly provided us with an excellent meeting.

Other members present were LEAH SNART, MILLIE BARRETT, EVELYN SEDIVY, CAROL MISCHNICK, FLOR-ENCE BORING, BERNIE BAUER, SHIRLEY AMEN, MARTHA PURDY, JEAN GIVEN, MARY LOU PHILLIPS, VERDAYNE MENZE and 49½er WALT, and new member JUDY FARRIS. Among the guests were licensed pilots TOMMIE HUGHES GEYERMAN and EVELYN SNOW, whom we hope to have soon as members, and EVELYN'S husband DAN, and son,



Safety minded Oklahoma Chapter conducted Ladies Flight Clinic at Stillwater in October. Ninety-Nine members attending were: back row, left to right, Martha Thomas, Fran Blair, instructor, Broneta Evans, Arlene Walkup. Front row, Carol Waddel, Donna Paulson and Trish Smith. Martha Thomas received her private license.

DAVID. In spite of the pleasant company provided by these and other guests, we were disappointed that our new members from the Scottsbluff area couldn't make it, but the weatherman made us wait out the lifting of 200 foot ceilings before giving us a beautiful flying day.

We are looking forward to a happy gathering of members and guests in Kearney for the Christmas party December 4.

OKLAHOMA CHAPTER **Fran Blair, Reporter**

The prospects for an eventful and gainful year look very bright in the friendly state.

Our new member list grows at every meeting. September brought SARALEE FISHER of Stillwater. SARALEE is an instrument pilot and recently completed her commercial rating.

NANCY FRITH, also a new member from Stillwater, is a private pilot and is planning to work on her commercial rating this year. 49½er, DR. PAUL

FRITH, a private pilot, is working on a Phd. in Pathology at OSU, where NANCY is an instructor in the Physical Education Department.

Another new member, MIMI HAWORTH, also on the staff at OSU, holds a private pilot license. Last month she was checked out in the family 182.

There was "DOROTHY MORGAN NIGHT" at a Soonairs meeting. MARK WEAVER gave a "This is Your Life, DOROTHY" program. Husbands and guests were invited. The party was a complete surprise to DOROTHY. The program chairman had connived with DOROTHY'S daughter, SHARON, in making the arrangements. DOROTHY is our grand young lady whose flying career began in 1929. Since then she has added so many accomplishments we can't begin to list them here.

Our November meeting was held—a traditional event—at MAUK'S Airport at Blackwell. Have you seen JANE ABBOT'S birthday present from her 49½er? A slick as a whistle little Cessna 140. 323 "JANE", no less.

Another eye catcher was RITA and LEONARD EAVES' homebuilt Cougar.

Guests and potential members included MARGARET DUNN, a brand new private pilot and just over the wire seventeen. Also, ANN CATLIN of Oklahoma City.

Transfer members are DONNA PAULSON from the Long Beach Chapter who is working on an instructor rating and FRAN BLAIR from Los Angeles Chapter, who is a flight and ground instructor at OSU. FRAN is completing a commercial glider rating.

The girls in this Chapter are a busy group. We've had so much fun at our get-togethers these past months. A Ladies Flight Clinic was held in October at Stillwater and a weekend meeting at Roman Nose State Park. November meeting at the MAUK'S.

Now in the mill are Wing Scouts for Stillwater and a newsletter for the Oklahoma Chapter. If you are ever by our way, come join the fun.

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER

Marian Burke, Reporter

Sat. Sept. 18 a San Antonio Chapter meeting was held at International Airport. New officers elected were as follows: NORMA McELVAIN, Chairman; BETSY HOGAN, Treasurer; MARIAN BURKE, Newsletter reporter; Membership Chairman, NOMRAN McELVAIN; MARIAN BUKE, Secretary; Next meeting to be held Oct. 30th.

A committee meeting was held Oct. 16 at Dobbs House Coffee Shop at International Airport. Members present: MARIAN BURKE, BETSY HOGAN, NORMA McELVAIN. Topic of Discussion was ways of contacting new members. New membership Chairman NORM McELVAIN is really off to a great start. With her help we hope to have even more than that "one new member a month" quota for the coming year.

A large group of new pilots are being invited to our next meeting Oct. 30. I'm sure we are going to have a big turnout. We are all looking forward toward it.

SHREVEPORT CHAPTER

Martha Christy, Reporter

In October, when our Chapter met at the home of JENNY MacWILLIAMS. HELEN HEWITT kept us all spellbound with her account of a forced landing the week before. She and KATHY LONG of Dallas, Texas, were flying KATHY'S new plane home from Minn., just approaching the hills of Missouri

when, gulp, the prop stopped and the engine followed suit! No, it didn't wind-mill, it just stayed fixed in a horizontal position. The successful outcome is the result of cool heads and competent pilots. HELEN says first you set up your glide, check for the obvious, which didn't solve the problem; while KATHY called Flight Service HELEN positioned them on the map-says jokingly she had noticed the little strip marked on the map at Rich Hill when they flew past. From their 7,500 foot altitude they headed for the sod strip which proved to be framed by corn fields and set the sick little plane down with out so much as a scratch on its new paint. Wide eyed we pounced on her with questions, seems the crankshaft had broken. HELEN'S three day trip to ferry a plane which an eager customer bought from under her very seat belt turned into an eight day grind complicated by Hurricane Betsy.

Another member suffering from Betsy was JERE SAUR. JERE and Henry had flown to Baton Rouge the day before the full force struck. When it became obvious that Baton Rouge would be on Betsy's path they fled by car leaving the plane hangered.

Since many of us had been straying from the home front a bit much of late it was decided that at least one plane full could make it to the Sectional at Wichita for lunch. True, it is a bit far for lunch but fun even if we couldn't stay for the meeting and the jaunty pilot was none other than HELEN but she did ask that all the passengers keep an eye out for emergency strips!

"Witches Brew and Spaghetti too" was our "come on" for a Halloween hanger party and proved once more that people do enjoy coming out to airport functions, besides it was an opportunity to hear of SARAH and GEORGE HENLEY'S vacation down ole' Mex., way. They traveled by train and plane and had a marvelous time but talk of loyalty, SARA talked GEORGE into cutting it short by a few days so she could help with the party and do you know we needed her just that much too! Happy flying.

TIP OF TEXAS CHAPTER

Elaine Needham, Reporter

Since vacation months have just flown by, we'll have some countdowns on who went where.

ARDATH McCREERY and family spent the past month viewing the wonderful scenery of Colo.

LOUISE CLARKSON and husband,

both geologists, have returned recently from a geological convention in Europe.

SHIRLEY PAGAN went off in a 310 for a Calif., vacation.

PAULINE GLASSON and husband CLAUDE flew this month to Ky., for vacation and recuperation. CLAUDE underwent surgery a short time ago. He's ok now.

We wish to extend our heartfelt sympathy to MERLE DUNNAM whose mother recently passed away. MERLE flew to Los Angeles and is now visiting relatives.

MRS. PAT McNEIL is our newest member, having acquired her private license. She has been elected our new Secretary and is being initiated into the secrets of air marking.

VEDA TENNENT has a beautiful new home in Rockport. VEDA will soon be flying to Oklahoma City for a visit with her mother.

McAllen, Texas, has a new airport Tower. BLANCHE NOYES was the featured speaker for the dedication ceremony. During this event the Tip of Texas Chapter held another Penny-a-Pound flight and dropped some more profits into the fund for air marking.

In early June PAULINE GLASSON, LENA JACKSON and ELAINE NEEDHAM took to the air and flew to Washington D. C. There they had lunch and nice visit with BLANCHE NOYES. PAULINE flew on to Ky., to visit her family, while LENA and ELAINE boarded a bus bound for New York and spent three days marveling at the sights at the World's Fair. After this ELAINE took a jet for Chicago and a summer job doing offset printing and returned ten weeks later to her duties in Texas as a first grade teacher.

We have an air marking trip coming up soon and are hoping our ideal weather conditions hold out for this.

TULSA CHAPTER

Jean Engler, Reporter

Well, I finally ran out of fingers. There were 22 of us at LEA BAKER'S pot luck dinner. Now we know how to get 'em to the meeting.

NANCY CAIN, JAN MAURITSON, BETTY PLUMMER, LIZ ELLIS, LEA BAKER, JEAN WILLIAMS, AGNES HELLMAN, TRISH SMITH and FRIEDA GUILD attended the Wichita Sectional. Good group eh? LEA BAKER showed us the grand prize she won—a gyro whisbang — and we're mighty proud of her.

There was a nice turn out for the Tahlequah air show. Also, at the flyin at Whitehorn Cove. That short stack mit maple and melted really hit the spot.

JAN was just back from KC and is going to LAS for a few days. AGNES is off to Moline, Ill., for a tour of the John Deere plant, and then on to Milwaukee — for why, I knoweth noteth — but then she's going to Munster, Tex., for her mother's birthday— surely that's all for this week. If I could read my notes I'd let you know why Trish went to Stillwater, but alas.

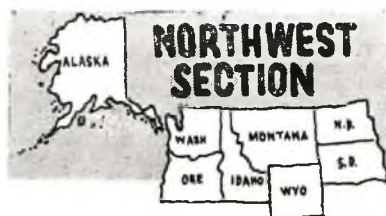
LYDIA GUTIERREZ guested with us. She's a 99 from Chicago. DONNA SAMPSON and EVELYN HIGGINS paid us a call also. Nice to see DOROTHY RICE, MARY SHADDOCK, DOROTHY and SARA JOHNSON, BETTY NATION — who gave us the latest word on the Pryor air marking, ANNAHLEE JONES, now cleaning up after a fire in her home, MARY STURGIS, LOIS MARTIN in a beautiful red dress and SHIRLY GREENBERG.

What a lovely day! TRISH and SOL SMITH invited us up to the 7-Bar Ranch, at Fairfax, for our November get-together. Six planes carried the group up. COLLEEN and JIM WHITE drove with their son, TOM, who got in some hunting with GEORGE SMITH.

Flying in were DOROTHY and CHAD JOHNSON, who brought SARAH and LARRY JOHNSON (their son), ANNAHLEE and JIMMY JONES, MARY and BOB STURGIS, SHIRLEY GREENBERG, JAN and DON MAURITSON, LEA and PAUL BAKER, DONNA SAMPSON, JEAN and BRENDA WILLIAMS who rode up with JOHNNY and me. We then trooped en masse to the house where we had a late breakfast. The hardier members hiked to the lake, with SOL hauling some in his trailer. It certainly was enjoyable. I think we should plan more Sunday fun. Suggestion box is open.

Since we didn't get around to a business meeting, I didn't collect much news. About all I know at this point is that JOHNNY and I got in some instrument time up to Lear Jet where we ran into PAT McEWEN. Saw LIZ ELLIS at the ICT airport waiting for BOB.

We're all looking forward to the Christmas party at COLLEEN'S. We would like to wish all of you a very happy Holiday Season. See you next year.



ALASKA CHAPTER Ruth O'Buck, Reporter

The October meeting was held in CAROLYN KENNEDY'S house. Members present were CAROLYN KENNEDY, BLANCHE KRAGER, PAT GILDA, STEPHANIE NEWELL, NANCY HOWARD, LaVELLE BETZ, MARIAN ZAEGEL, JESSIE DODSON, RUTH HURST, and RUTH O'BUCK. MABEL MOREHOUSE, one of the gals who completed the 99 sponsored AOPA Pinch hitters Course last winter attended as a guest. We discussed our fly-in breakfast held two weeks ago at Lake Wasilla. Rain, low clouds, and wind kept many grounded that day. We also talked about holding a joint 99 and Alaska Airmen's Association Christmas party. Possible candidates for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship were also mentioned.

Winter has arrived already. We have snow on the ground and our lakes are beginning to freeze. Most of us have pulled our float planes out of the water and switched to wheels or skis. RUTH O'BUCK got out just in the nick of time. Her last float student of the season completed his FAA check-ride one afternoon, the plane came out of the water the same afternoon and the lake froze up that night.

Our November meeting was held at BLANCHE KRAGER'S house. Six members attended: BLANCHE, PAT GILDA, CAROLYN KENNEDY, RUTH O'BUCK, RUTH HURST, and NANCY KESSLER. We had two of the pinch hitters as guests—FAYE EMERSON JACKSON and BEVERLY HAYES. We also had a prospective member, KATHY KIPPENHAM. KATHY received her private license two weeks ago.

We continued making plans for our Christmas party. We have been working with the Alaska Airmen's Association to stop the decommissioning of our low frequency ranges. We have had good luck so far in stopping it. Many letters were written to FAA and congressmen individually and as a group. We really need these facilities.

BLANCHE KRAGER showed us a movie on The History of Aviation.

EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER Diane Jex, Reporter

Our September meeting was held at the home of SELMA VanDERCREEK. It was a beautiful Fall day, but we had no fly-ins, all drove from neighboring Idaho Falls, and Pocatello. We enjoyed a delicious luncheon and we had "little sisters" LEORA BERGEVIN and ARLENE BAILEY as guests. Both are very enthusiastic about flying and will be taking their private exams soon.

Following the luncheon, Past Chairman, BETTY STORRS was presented with gifts from the Chapter; a 99 Flight Bag and an apron. Chairman ONITA HOFF presented all the members with 99 decals.

During the meeting, it was learned that MARY KILBOURNE and 49½er GRANT are touring Europe. They will be returning home in October.

BETTY STORRS is moving to Calif., soon. BETTY has been very active in our Chapter and will certainly be missed.

It was voted to send \$5.00 from our Chapter to the JOAN MERRIAM SMITH Memorial.

Parliamentarian, SELMA VanDERCREEK will be Chairman of a committee of three that will revise and catalog the Chapter Bylaws. Serving with her will be ONITA HOFF and DIANE JEX.

Our October meeting was held at the HOFF Ranch with ONITA HOFF as our hostess. We were unable to hold a business meeting because a quorum was not present. We spent a very enjoyable afternoon visiting and hanger-flying. ONITA had captured the Fall colors in her gay Spanish table decorations. She has been so busy helping with the harvest, we appreciate her taking time to entertain us. We're also sorry more from our Chapter couldn't be present to share her hospitality.

"Little sisters" PAT DUKICH and JANE HOFF were also present. PAT told us of a trip she and her husband took, last June, to Alaska and back in their 26 foot cabin cruiser. It took them 3 weeks in all and they spent much of their time fishing and enjoying the marvelous scenery.

B. J. WAYNE and husband, BILL, made flying trips to Texas and California in late August.

Happy flying!



Eastern Washington Chapter's Tenth Anniversary celebration at Minnie Boyd's home in Pullman. From left to right: Francie Gibson, Barbara Thisted, Bobbie Price, Millie Shinn, Helen Dewey, Marie Reynnells, Minnie, Lygie Hagan, Bonnie Henson, Terrie Becker and Bonnie's daughter, Marjie, a guest. Photo by 49½er Chet Henson.

EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER **Helen R. Crum, Reporter**

Chairman JEAN CARBON, after a serious illness, was able to meet with our group Friday morning, November 5th, at Spokane Felts Field. FRANCIE GIBSON, our newest member from Moscow, Idaho, flew up with MINNIE BOYD and TERRIE BECKER. BARBARA THISTED came in their Tri-Champ. ETHEL WIKSTROM as pilot of the Aztec brought DODE NETTLESHIP and HELEN CRUM. KATHLEEN HITCHCOCK, who is waiting for the new Baron to arrive, flew their Sky-lane with BEVERLY McCALL as a passenger. Others present were GINNY HARPER, MILLIE SHINN, BOBBIE PRICE, NITA HOYLE and HELEN DEWEY. LYGIE HAGAN who had arrived the night before from a trip to Japan and Hong Kong rushed in just as the meeting adjourned.

Appointed on the Membership Committee are MILLIE, BEVERLY and MINNIE; on the Nominating Committee BOBBIE, BARBARA, and ETHEL; on the A E Scholarship Committee LYGIE and MARIE REYNNELLS. Treasurer TERRIE reported a balance of \$55.98. GINNY is Scrap-book Chairman.

There was a short discussion of

decorations for the banquet for which we are responsible before the beginning of the air race next June in Seattle. Also ways will be found for replenishing the treasury.

ETHEL has offered to send a copy of the minutes to all those not attending meetings so they will be kept up to date on Chapter business.

Members pictured with the large cake flew to Pullman for the 10th Anniversary party in the BOYD home October 3rd. BONNIE HENSON'S 49½er CHET took pictures of the occasion at which a coffee mug with the 99 emblem was presented to each of the past five Chairmen—MINNIE, LYGIE, MARIE, BARBARA and BETTY SEAVEY who was unable to be there. Fourteen cases of candy were distributed for a money making project.

It was voted to send \$10 to the sectional treasury and announced that there would be an extra Spring Section Meeting in Seattle because of the Convention and Air Race activities in June.

BONNIE and CHETS's pictures of Yucatan which they are showing in several places in the state were suggested as a possibility for raising funds.

GINI RICHARDSON sent word that she would not be at the celebration because she and her husband have a contract to spray 100,000 acres of cotton in Texas—flying six hours a day for two months. BOBBIE PRICE took her daughter, MILLIE, and granddaughter to Pullman in her Cherokee.

TERRIE is taking the wives of foreign students at Washington State University on an airplane tour of the Snake River Canyon in November. FRANCIE reports that as a member of the MOSCOW Chamber of Commerce Aviation Committee and one of their Flying Pea Weavils she took a group of Kiwanians to Priest Lake for a fly-in breakfast lately and was asked to speak to the Kiwanis Club on the importance of aviation in the Moscow area.

CHERIE YATES is well on the way toward her instrument rating. She returned recently from a flying trip to Montana. DODE has quite a bit of time in the new Bonanza. BEVERLY is taking off soon for a flight to Iowa in her Comanche.

There will be an over night meeting in Pasco in December and no meeting in January.

FAR WEST CHAPTER **Barbara LaRue, Reporter**

VAN ADDERSON was hostess for our September meeting in Renton. Members JoANN BURKHART, ELENE DUNCAN, MARGARET LAYTON, MARY KOCHANNEK, BARBARA LARUE, and guest MICKIE SAMSON were present. Many thanks to VAN for an enjoyable afternoon.

MICKIE and BOB SAMSON are the new managers of the Port Townsend airport. BOB has only to take his check ride for his instructor rating and at long last Port Townsend will have an instructor. BOB'S first instructor, many years ago, was 99 GINI RICHARDSON from Yakima. At that time she was instructing at Kitsap County Airport.

MARGARET and DICK LAYTON flew to Canada for a weekend of fishing in August and also took in the Quillayute fly-in on Labor Day.

ELENE and Dr. DUNCAN toured Ocean Shores, the Village Green and Blakely Island in their Bonanza during September.

BETTY WADSWORTH and JoANN BURKHART attended the 99 luncheon at Everett, October 2nd, honoring JERRIE MOCK. (Your reporter was treated to a college football game for



Puget Sound Chapter Members Mildred Pearson, Fran Blackie Fitzpatrick, Marchine Dexter and children and Betty Curran, pilot of the Baron, arriving at the Victoria luncheon.



Western Washington Chapter Members attending the Victoria, B. C., luncheon were (left to right) Pat McGee, Ginnie Andrews, Van Adderson, Joan Davis and Helen Appel with Leslie Potter standing in for Illovene as pilot of their Aztec. Picture by Victoria Daily Times.

her birthday the same day. Three guesses where she would have rather been! The Huskies lost to boot!)

Films are scheduled for the October, November and December meetings, Wives of pilots, as well as student

pilots, will be encouraged to come to these meetings. We will be busily working on '66 Convention items, too.

Plans are underway for an aviation library within our Chapter, with members contributing items to start it.

Women pilots from Washington and Canada converged on the Victoria international Airport for a luncheon in the Victoria Flying Club lounge October 30th. BETTY WADSWORTH, a member of our chapter, made all arrangements.

The women were welcomed by members of the Chamber of Commerce and the City Centennial Committee, as well as the Flying Club President. PAT MCGEE and BETTY showed slides of the 1965 Powder Puff Derby and International Convention.

Puget Sound Chapter was represented by MILDRED PEARSON, FRAN BLACKIE, BETTY GURRAN, and MARCHINE DEXTER accompanied by her two children. From Western Washington Chapter came PAT MCGEE, HELEN APPEL, VAN ADDERSON, GINNIE ANDREWS, and JOAN DAVIS. Far West was represented by BETTY, ELENE DUNCAN, MARY KOCHANNEK, BARBARA LARUE, and MARGARET LAYTON with a guest, MICKIE SAMSON.

The thirty Canadians attending included pilots ANN MUSSALLEM, FAY NORRIE, LORRETTA LOWE, JOAN GALBRAITH, LAURA BLACKMORE, BEVERLY LAW, CAROLE MORRIS, MARIE LIDDELL, PAULA WALTERS, LYNDA GOWER, and LOIS DONALDSON.

If the fog lifts in time, we will fly to Bellingham for the November meeting tomorrow. MARGARET LAYTON will be unable to attend as she is out trying to bag an elk.

IDAHO CHAPTER

Jacque Batt, Reporter

Idaho pilots have been blessed with perfect autumn flying weather for almost two months, but as I start to write this column it looks as if Old Man Winter is about to move in. So during the next few months there will probably be a few irate pilots from the Boise Valley whenever we become either weathered in or weathered out of our own home valley.

The November meeting of Idaho 99s was held at the Broadmore Country Club in Nampa. This was a luncheon-business meeting and because of the five student pilot guest (all from Nampa) and two more non-flying guests it was a very special meeting. Extra-special guests of that afternoon was DONNA TIEGS who is Queen of the Idaho Flying Farmers. DONNA explained some of her duties as the

Flying Farmer Queen and is working on obtaining her license.

ANNETTER GOULD flew commercially on a 727 to Denver early this month. 49½er DON picked her up later in their Mooney. She reported beautiful weather in Colorado but on return home a lot of wind through Wyoming.

CLAIRE JUSTAD is having their house remodeled and adding to it so tesy of CLAIRE as I was off on a flying this past month.

October news comes through courtesy of CLAIRE I was off on a flying trip to Denver, also, when the October meeting was held.

The Idaho 99s who were able to attend the Northwest Sectional in Medford, Oregon, in September remarked on what a beautiful country Oregon is and a beautiful job of hostessing the Convention. Our thanks and congratulations to those Southern Oregon girls. Attending from Idaho were: FERN LAKE, CLAIRE JUSTAD, HILDA ELIOTT and CAROLYN GREINER. FERN and 49½er AMES flew on to the Reno Air Races from the Convention. Also attending the races were DON and ANNETTE GOULD.

JOY WAITE flew to Boise for the October 99 meeting and then on to the "Back country" in Stanley Basin for the weekend.

ELOISE STOVER flew out of Hell's Canyon to Boise in her Ercoupe to attend the October meeting.

LAURA CONNER is now Chief Flight Instructor for Boise Aviation, Inc., formerly Loening Air.

FERN LAKE, LAURA CONNER and CLAIRE JUSTAD met with AWTAR officials and received instructions regarding the AWTAR stop at Boise next July.

A Happy New Year and Good Flying to all 99s from Idaho 99s.

MONTANA CHAPTER

Bev. Ledbetter, Reporter

The September meeting scheduled for Billings was held in Helena due to poor weather conditions in the eastern half of the state.

Newly elected Chairman, ELSIE CHILDS, presided at the meeting where seven members and two guests were present. One guest, LORRAINE FOWLER had made her solo flight that morning. Reports of the Sectional Meeting were given. Money-making projects for the '66 AWTAR were discussed.

JIMMIE KUHN has been appointed to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Committee for the N. W. Section.

Hamilton was the site of the October meeting with KARIN RIBI as hostess for the thirteen members and seven guests who attended. The day started with a great deal of fun and laughs because of the Spot Landing Contest held to raise money for AWTAR projects. PAT ECTON was the winner of the contest coming within 3 ft. of the line, ELSIE JOHNSON, 2nd with 96ft. over. Practice for the rest of those attending and before the next meeting will be needed or else, 'pay thru the purse.'

There was quite a variety of airplanes in the seven that arrived, from a J-3 Piper Cub flown by MARY STEVENSON and her student to JOY LUECK in a Twin Apache with a new multi-engine rating issued just the day before.

Business at the meeting included a letter from R. F. MICHELS, of the Montana Airport Managers Assoc., inviting us to be represented on a Montana Aviation Affairs Council, to keep abreast of and take stands for or against any items affecting Montana's flying public.

Chairman ELSIE appointed LAULETTE HANSEN and will, herself, serve as our 99 voice in this group.

Other committee appointments made were: Chapter Amelia Earhart Chairman, ELSIE JOHNSON; Flight Activities, PAT ECTON; Membership, KAY WIDMER.

Our November meeting in Billings was well attended. Twenty members and five guests enjoyed the warm sunny weather. The Spot Landing Contest was won by LOUISE BUTCHER who touched down 9 ft. over the line, followed in second place by BEV. LEDBETTER who was 56 ft. short. Not all of the planes landing took part in the contest due to a wind shift and a new line being placed. Of the others attempting, all were over the 100 ft. maximum.

Foggy weather in Helena made the Chairman ELSIE and Sec., HELEN a bit late so the meeting was conducted by our immediate past Chairman, ELSIE JOHNSON. A vote in favor of a race within the state for next year was decided upon. A race committee, appointed by ELSIE, with LAULETTE as Chairman gave a brief report on types of races.

The December meeting will be in

Great Falls with we hope, several Canadian women attending.

Flying activities of our members have been many and varied, so I will start by welcoming a new member to our group, MISS ELIZABETH TIMM of Polson.

The Billings Air Fair was a thrill for those members attending and helping make up the crowd of 20,000 who watched the Blue Angels perform their breath taking maneuvers, followed by DON PITTMAN in his Pitt Special doing incredible aerobatic stunts.

BOBBY KRAMER, member of the Billings M.P.A. helped provide rides for all interested persons. SHAREL BITZ, PAT ECTON, KAY WIDMER and BEV. LEDBETTER each with husband and family, enjoyed the static displays. One of great interest to the public was a Northwestern 707-320C, a convertible passenger cargo fan jet airliner—only 5 days old.

Montana Flying Farmers and Ranchers held their annual meeting in Billings with the 99s well represented. The retiring Sec.,-Treas., of the state organization was VERA WOOD. MARY JO JANEY was guest speaker for the noon luncheon. LAULETTE HANSEN was crowned Flying Farmer Queen and presented a Cessna Aircraft Queen's trophy.

There were two Mont., 99 pins twinkling in the crowd of 3500 who attended the AOPA Plantation Party in Las Vegas. MARY STEVENSON and I scanned the crowd for others. There were many others in attendance and I visited with Members-at-large GEORGIA KRAELING and KATHY SYKES from Brandon, Manitoba, Canada. Words won't describe the shows, food and entertainment or the view of 1500 airplanes parked on the ramp at McCarran Field. It was a real "fun fling" for everyone. More so for MARY and JACK who held one of the winning numbers for one of the many prizes given on Saturday nite at the conclusion of the party. Their prize was a Piper mixture control gauge for a twin-engine airplane. The trip home by way of the Grand Canyon and Monument Valley in Utah was as breathtaking as Las Vegas. In a different way of course.

MARY JO JANEY has resigned her position as Aviation Education Supervisor for Montana Aeronautics Comm. and will join Cessna Aircraft, in Wichita, with their education dept.

INZA RIEDESEL, Billings, was re-

cently listed in Who's Who of American Women.

ELSIE JOHNSON and LU NELSON are proudly wearing new 99 compass rose pins presented to them by the grateful contestants of our recent Big Sky Race, for their efforts as Co-Chairman.

I received a letter from BETTY NUNN advising me of a new address: 405 West 10th, Sedalia, Mo. She and husband ARCHIE attended a meeting of the Kansas City Chapter. It was a "first" for ARCHIE because the meetings there are in the evenings and husbands attend. BETTY sends a long distance "Hello" to everyone and an invitation to stop for coffee when in that area.

Our meeting in Billings gave us an occasion to meet and greet some long time members who have not been too active this last year: NORMA ROWLAND, ELEANOR GREENING and INEZ RIEDESEL. NORMA had pictures that were taken 10 years ago at the first birthday party given for the Montana 99s. They were a lot of laughs for those who were active then and still are today.

Four members have made out-of-state trips recently. KAY WIDMER and husband returned from a trip to Indiana, KARIN RIBI from a trip to Spokane, DOTTIE PAYNE from Wichita flying a new Cessna 172 for a local dealer in Great Falls and PAT ECTON and family from a trip to IOWA.

OREGON CHAPTER

Kathy Elmore, Reporter

The Oregon Chapter has been a busy one during these crisp and colorful Fall days, with our famous "Mist" no deterrent to runways sprouting airplanes.

EVELYN RACKLEFF, past Chairman of the Oregon Chapter, has accepted the position of Flight Instructor on a full-time basis at Lebanon Airport, accompanied by our heartiest congratulations. Her many abilities will certainly leave their mark on future pilots.

VIRGINIA "GILLY" GILLILAND, our favorite "Flying Physician" obtained her helicopter rating on September 17th with more than the usual amount of difficulties to overcome. She had completed half her check-ride last winter when flood and weather problems set in; by the time the weather



Dorro Sokol and co-pilot/daughter Eva are shown by their winning Twin Bonanza with the Lipman-Wolfe Cup awarded for the Private Pilot category in the recent Petticoat Derby.—Photo credit: Connie Johnson, Editor, Blue Mountain Eagle, John Day, Oregon.

had improved the helicopter she had been flying was sold and, while checking out in a different model, the FAA Regulations changed which required more time. She complied with this new ruling and again the helicopter was sold. After many sales, many hours, and much perseverance on her part, GILLY is now Whirly-Girl No. 98. Congratulations via telegram were sent GILLY from the Chapter on her attainment and best wishes for many happy hours aloft. GILLY is an inspiration to those of us who would become discouraged.

We are honored by having CHARLOTTE DODSON extended an invitation to participate on the Oregon Aerospace Education Council in the "Private Aviation-99s" category. This

council of 35 members cover various aspects of aviation including Commercial, Agricultural, Education, Legal and CAP, and is sanctioned by GOV. MARK HATFIELD. The Council's object is to promote, assist and further aviation education in the schools at all levels, to make aware to the teachers the vital role aviation has in today's society thus enabling them to incorporate it within their fields. In addition, CHARLOTTE is again Inter-National Scrapbook Chairman which will give her many happy hours with scissors and glue-pot.

By way of further honors, the Oregon Pilots Assn. held a banquet in Astoria Oct. 10th honoring Old-Timers in aviation. Along with the men present was DOROTHY HESTER HOFER

(who flew with TEX RANKIN and still holds the unbroken Worlds Record for Men and Women in Outside Loops) and two of our members, NONA PLAMONDON and LUCY DRUCKER. NONA has been in aviation thirty-nine years, learning to fly in the Midwest paying for her lessons by wing-walking and parachute pumping. Her Cessna is a familiar sight at Northwest airports. LUCY soloed in 1931 in St. Louis, Mo., in an American Eagle with a Kinner engine, and currently flies about the Northwest in an Ercoupe, recently showing we Oregon Chapter members how an expert makes a spot landing. Our Chairman reports that RITA GINN, for the OPA, engineered and made the arrangements for this banquet of approximately 100 people with one hand tied behind her back. Congratulatory telegrams were sent NONA and LUCY with warmest and best wishes for many happy continued years in aviation.

MARCY WOLFARD is one of the Lucky ones! She received from her 49½er, JIM, a "K" Model Bonanza for her Birthday—giftwrapped yet. MARCY is our Commercial category winner for the recent Petticoat Derby and deserves such a delightful surprise. Haven't found out yet, though, how to giftwrap an airplane. We're all available for lessons, MARCY!

ANN BROWN is working on her multi-engine rating in her new Apache and says, "every single engine landing is interesting!" ANN is quite a competent pilot so the truth of this statement is likened to pearls of wisdom.

ROSETTA VENELL and three non-flying friends flew to San Francisco for business and shopping in October. The non-flyers are now most enthusiastic supporters. ROSETTA says the weather was fine and is ready to go again.

BETTY and DON GROVES flew to Reno October 18th with JUANITA and ARDON ELLINGSON accompanying them in the GROVES' Mooney, reportedly having a wonderful time with the "last of the big spenders" coming up \$1.67 in the hole and the girls supervising the flight home.

ROSETTA and CHARLES VENELL, BETTY and DON GROVES and JUANITA and ARDON ELLINGSON flew to Kerrville, Tex., on October 17th in a fleet of Mooneys who return home (just like the swallows) to Kerrville each year to welcome the new Mooneys. BETTY's birthday, the 21st, was celebrated in Albuquerque in the



1965-1966 Oregon Chapter Officers L to R: Louise Wicks, Secretary; Juanita Ellingson, Chairman; and Marion Busby, Treasurer.—Photo by Peg Morgan, McMinville, Ore.

Old Square dining on Mexican cuisine with a rum cake to top the feast.

IMA PEDERSON (now vacationing in Mexico with her family) has been asked to furnish information on our Rose Float to Carolyn Jones, SOHIO Speaker Bureau in Cleveland, Ohio. This bureau of trained lecturers is free of charge to any group in that area. We are furnishing slides and other pertinent information for her subject of "A Look at Flying Ladies-Light Planes & Sport Flying by a Woman Who Flies". BETTY WADSWORTH, Victoria, B.C., has also requested information on the Rose Float for her work. Although nearly six months have passed, the float is still of interest and we are happy to furnish these as we feel the 99s are representative of women in aviation and encourage others to this goal.

The invocation for our September and October meetings was prepared by MRS O. WIKANDER, mother of one of our flyingest members, RUTH. MRS. WIKANDER, long associated with aviation is well qualified for this kind assistance and we are honored by her aid. The September meeting saw the installation of our new officers in Eugene, and October in Portland saw the adoption of bylaws for the Chapter, and plans afoot for a "Hangar-Talk" project scheduled early Spring. The October meeting also gave us the opportunity of welcoming a new member, IMOGENE CHAMBERLAIN of Corvallis. Welcome to the

Chapter, IMOGENE. PEG MORGAN also brought a guest, and MARJORIE COLTON (Missouri Valley Chapter) was present. We are looking forward to having MARJORIE as a permanent member here and hope soon to also include POLLY PEERCE (currently an El Paso Chapter member). El Paso Chapter: we are delighted to have POLLY in Oregon—your loss is certainly our gain, and any more who might feel the "call of the Northwest" are welcomed with open arms.

MARGARET TUEFEL and GRETCHEN FRASER have recently returned from trips to Europe (we are anxiously awaiting reports on these trips). LILLIAN BILLINGS vacationed in New Orleans and then accompanied her husband, MARION, to Chicago on business. Last report from "Pie in the Sky" (CHARMIAN BYERS-JONES) was in Houston, Tex., and her co-pilot on the trip East, BERNADINE BENNING (So. Oregon Chapter) from Los Angeles where she obtained her instrument rating "en route" JANE CAPPIZI is presently in Vermont and we'll have all the details of these trips for the next issue.

PUGET SOUND CHAPTER **Nita Matheson, Reporter**

Good news within our Chapter was the marriage of FRAN BLACKIE to DARRELL FITZPATRICK recently. We all extend our Best Wishes and many Blessings'. we hope DARRELL will be a 49½er before long—FRAN is

a Charter Member of our group.

We gals participated in the Washington Pilots' Convention held in Everett early in October. Among the guests were JERRIE MOCK and MAX CONRAD. As an item of interest JERRIE went for a helicopter ride with one of our local services and for the first time handled the controls and we hear she is a natural. We were all delighted to meet her and hear of her round the world adventures.

A new prospect is MARGARET AMES who has passed her written exam and shortly due for the flight exam. MARGARET and husband PERCY are flying a Cessna 210 down to Berkley, Calif., to see the University of Washington and University of California game. Hope our rainy, foggy weather holds off for them.

BETTY VAN BUSKIRK has a very interesting house guest, the daughter of a missionary couple from Elizabethville, the Congo. BETTY took her visitor for her first flight and now we have a new gal pilot in the making. The young lady is going to school in Walla Walla, plans to be a medical missionary and return to Africa.

MARCHINE DEXTER tried hard to fly to the Northwest Sectional in Medford, Oregon but after many ups and downs she was grounded and had to sit it out in Eugene. Such is flying in the Pacific Northwest!

MILDRED PEARSON and NITA MATHESON drove (of all things) to Las Vegas, Nevada for the Planation Party (did not pay for their trip at the casinos) and then took an extended trip to Los Angeles and San Francisco. Had two weeks of perfectly elegant, warm weather. NITA and 49½er are headed for a Canadian hunting trip later in October. Hopes are for a moose or two—maybe even a bear.

Our Chapter held a rummage sale—we definitely guarantee this to be most successful way to raise money for projects. Great way to rid our homes of unwanted clothing, dishes and all kinds of junk. Great way to get a new wardrobe—give away all clothes. Anyhow we did clear over \$100.00 to help in the 1966 AWTAR which is a good start.

FRAN and DARRELL FITZPATRICK took in the Air Races in Reno, believe they drove down.

Several of our members were able to fly to Victoria, B. C., for a 99 luncheon. The gals attending were BETTY

CURRAN, pilot, MILDRED PEARSON, FRAN FITZPATRICK and MARCH DEXTER and her two children. They were given a controlled departure from Paine Field and had to leave Victoria early to avoid bad weather on the return trip. They were surprised and delighted to clear customs at Bellingham with no charge. Understand there was a good turnout with women from the Seattle and the Oregon groups in attendance. Seems we have almost lost one of our gals to the University of Washington. MARCH DEXTER has gone back to school to take some more Math and her classes are on our meeting night. She says school just isn't what it used to be, real rough. We miss her.

We are planning a Christmas Party this year that sounds like fun. We are going to have a potluck supper, gag gifts and our 49½ers in attendance. MILDRED PEARSON has offered her recreation room for the evening, we have some elegant cooks in our Chapter and I hear there is to be a punch bowl.

Our November meeting was rather quiet due to the illness of several of our gals but we were pleased to have two new prospects join us for the evening. They are RUTH KENNEDY and MARIBETH HECKLA. RUTH'S husband is stationed in England and she hopes to join him as soon as possible.

Your reporter and husband took a few days off and went to Eastern Washington to loaf and hike and believe me that hiking was not loafing. These hills turned out to be mountains. We went about 250 feet into a mine and found some flacks of gold which we left there.

We want to wish all the Chapters a Merry Christmas and a most Happy New Year.

SOUTH DAKOTA CHAPTER

Geneva Oleson, Reporter

Members attending the September meeting in Dickinson, North Dakota, were KAY VOGEL, Bismarck, N.D., in her 180 Cherokee; WANDA BUSFIELD and her 49½er in their Bonanza, BELL FORCHE, S.D.; MARGARET JOHN and her 49½er from Prairie City, S.D.; AUDREY BAIRD, Chapter Chairman and her 49½er and GENEVA OLESON, Dickinson.

Dickinson was scheduled to have the

September meeting because of weather for the girls planning long flight. Rapid City and all quadrants reported unseasonable cold temperature and snow! Lander, Wyoming, made national headlines with their record one foot of snow and blizzard, grounding our 99s MABEL ANESI and JEAN KRAUSE.

MABEL ANESI and JEAN KRAUSE reported they are obtaining the International literature to form their Wyoming Chapter. We realize the importance of this new Chapter and wish them continued success.

AUDREY BAIRD, Dickinson, N.D., and JOAN THOMAS, Rapid City, S.D., flew to the Northwest Section Meeting in Medford, Oregon. AUDREY, a commercial pilot, flew her 182 Cessna over the 2280 round-robin miles of Rockies, Cascades and Tetons to log her first mountain time. The Section Meeting was an inspiration of the girls. It was a privilege to meet our International President ALICE ROBERTS! Section Governor MARCELLA ATHUS; and out-going Section Governor, HELEN APPEL. They found the meeting an excellent opportunity to discuss Chapter problems.

Plans are being made to have the 1939 Northwest Sectional in South Dakota.

Our very proficient CAROL RAYBURN, Armour, S.D., and deserving winner of the AMELIA EARHART Scholarship reports she was successful in obtaining her Instrument and Instrument Instructor ratings in Oklahoma during her college vacation. She also got her Seaplane rating! She is back in Brookings College and teaching flying to students. CAROL also found time to paint the hangar walls!

The members of the S.D., Chapter are very grateful to the AMELIA EARHART Committee for choosing our outstanding young candidate for this Honor. She is a credit to women in aviation, 20 years old and has about all the ratings there are!

LYNETTE MACEY, Rapid City, S.D., located a store where we can purchase our white blazer jackets. WANDA BUSFIELD modeled her impeccable white jacket for us.

MARGARET JOHN, Prairie City, S.D., attended one of our meetings for the first time this year. MARGARET is an experienced pilot in flying farmer rancher activities. Their Prairie City ranch is in the middle of "nowhere" (look it up on your map) you

may need to use their excellent strip some day! MARGARET has logged many hours flying dinners and coffee into the fields for their ranch hands. Also made many flights to ranchers with food and supplies during our severe winter months.

KAY VOGLE had word from RUBY McDONALD, DOROTHY ROSEMAN, GEORGIA KRAELING and a courageous MARGE STEVENSON, Brandon, Canada 99s. MARGE is recovering from serious injuries suffered in a plane crash which took the life of her husband. South Dakota girls will cherish the memories of our flight into Canada and the gracious hospitality of the 99s and their 49½ers. "COURAGE CONSISTS NOT IN BLINDLY OVERLOOKING DANGER, BUT IN SEEING AND CONQUERING IT"—J. P. RICHTER.

Chairman AUDREY BAIRD has made it a personal project to fly around the two states, meeting all our 99 members and prospective members.

AUDREY flew to Devils Lake N.D., to meet with members LOIS LANGE and MARGE KELLY. About one hour out of Dickinson a familiar voice came through the mike, "Where are you headed?", "We're headed for Devils Lake, where are you headed?". KAY VOGEL in her 180 Cherokee was headed for Jamestown, N.D., to meet two prospective 99s.

AUDREY and Reporter GEN OLESON had lunch with LOIS LANGE. She had only recently returned from Seattle in her Commanche, with weather thick she made a vow to get her instrument rating completed. She had passed her written after a course in Arizona. LOIS has been flying since 1958.

MRS KELLY was in Denver with family, she is busy with her women's apparel shop and does not find much time to do private flying.

Ten minutes out of Devils Lake and KAY VOGEL came through the airwaves, "Where you headed?" "Dickinson". "Stop at Bismarck for Coffee". With a coffee break in Bismarck and her report of a successful visit with two pilots in Jamestown we felt the day was a good one for the 99s of the South Dakota Chapter.

AUDREY BAIRD will fly to Bismarck with her son and baby daughter, then will fly her son and his friend to Devils Lake to meet friends for a hunting trip. She will return and fly to Bell Fourche for our regu-

lar meeting date with WANDA BUSFIELD as hostess.

KAY VOGEL and three girls flew to Minneapolis for a shopping trip. KAY reported she met 99 PHILLIS PETERSON, Brookings, S.D., at the Radison. Cities are pretty small when it comes to meeting up with a 99!

SOUTHERN OREGON CHAPTER

Gladys Burrill, Reporter

NEWS FLASH! BERNADINE BENNING just became an Instrument Pilot. Congratulations, BERNADINE.

The Southern Oregon Chapter met at Gold Beach for their October meeting. There were five in attendance. Plans were made for marking the Gold Beach airstrip in the near future.

Our November meeting was held at the Mahlon Sweet Airport in Eugene. Six of us were present — appearing in cars, due to the stormy weather. As of now we have four 66s in our group. LA VERNE ANDERSON of Oakridge has just soloed and is still pursuing her flying. We were very happy to have her join our group as a 66.

Our December get-together will be the 6th of December at Roseburg.

WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

Pat McGee, Reporter

Looking ahead to a series of events featuring the Chapter members as a group in the months preceding the '66 Derby, MARIAN MORTON managed to get the gals unified on what to wear for such occasions. At our last meeting she appeared in a blue poncho-type number over a white sheath with three-quarter sleeves. Everyone present liked the appearance of the outfit, so MARIAN was asked to bring enough material to the next meeting so that all of us could cut out this very simple pattern.

For the sake of convenience and accessibility, we have been holding our last few meetings in the spacious offices of BOB FORD, manager of Boeing Field International. He attended one meeting to ask for a briefing on what our needs will be for the Derby and has literally promised us the airport. We have no worries at all in regard to the use of airport facilities, for MR. FORD and all of the operators on the field are solidly behind us.

There were enough members at the last meeting to catch up on some of the news in regard to summer activities. Seems there was quite a bit of bustling around via the skyways, to-wit:

MARIAN MORTON, 49½er BOB and family flew to Montana where they spent vacation hours at Flathead Lake. They made the trip in July, flying their Cessna 180 on floats. In September MARIAN took her check ride for her Commercial Sea Rating.

VAN and GORDON ADDERSON flew their Skylane to Medford for the Section Convention in September. VAN says other than that an occasional flight to Ocean Shores has been the extent of their flying.

JOAN DAVIS and husband are rebuilding a J-3 in their garage. Where is the car? Outside, of course! She is putting in some time in sailplanes when she gets a few extra minutes to spare.

MAXINE HANSON was chosen "Pilot of the Year" by her local unit of the Washington Pilot's Association, thereby becoming a candidate for the state title. We're very proud of her! She recently spent six days just "bumming" around in a 172 before she returned to teaching school. She hit Pendleton, The Dalles and Baker in Oregon; Boise, Idaho; and Yakima and Wenatchee in Washington before returning to Bellevue. And our congratulations to her on her float rating, too.

DOTTIE and JIM DAUB are happy to be back in the Northwest, although their flying time has dropped since they sold their plane before leaving San Diego.

BARBARA BENNETT rates a round of applause for picking up her Instrument rating this fall. She has since taken dual trips to Portland and Bellingham just for fun.

HELEN and LARRY GIVENS flew to Campbell in their Apache over Labor Day. Poor visibility kept HELEN's nose to the grindstone as navigator. And she says the fish didn't even bite!

HELEN APPEL and 49½er GENE flew to Medford for the Convention with HELEN GIVENS as a passenger. MARIAN OWEN went down via West Coast Airlines but came back with HELEN and HELEN. GENE drove back with BARBARA LA RUE of the Far West Chapter because of a weather threat he couldn't wait out. He got home first, too!

TERRY and DAVE Kellogg made three trips up to the San Juan Islands in their Beech Bonanza when DAVE was home between schedules to Alaska on Pacific Northern.

The November meeting was held in the newly remodeled offices of GALVIN's Flying Service at Boeing Field in Seattle. The business meeting was short and the rest of the evening was devoted

to making favors for use at one of the luncheons during the 1966 Powder Puff Derby here. JAY LAWRENCE and VAN ADDERSON, who dreamed up this project, supervised the gals work and a great deal was accomplished.

What with occasional weather problems cropping up now that winter is approaching, there was less flying news to report. Some of the activities which were gleaned are as follows:

FLORENCE BELL took her S Bonanza to fly to the AOPA Plantation Party, after which she went on to Reno for fun and games — came out with enough money to get home anyway!

GINNY and NICK ANDREWS made a trip up to Friday Harbor in the San Juan Island, flying with TERRY and DAVE KELLOGG in the KELLOGG's Bonanza. They say, as everybody does, that there is no place more beautiful from the air than our gorgeous San Juans.

ILOVENE and LES POTTER took the family to Palm Springs for the Aero Classic, which they enjoyed tremendously. Luck was not with them on weather, however, as they had to go both ways on instruments.

LES POTTER played "Good Samaritan" to a group of lady pilots who were almost in distress. The Far West Chapter had invited members of our Chapter to attend a luncheon in Victoria, B. C., where Far West Chapter 99 BETTY WADSWORTH had arranged to have members of the Victoria Chamber of Commerce and the Canadian Centennial Commission present to hear the story of the Powder Puff Derby. ILOVENE POTTER had offered the use of their Aztec for the trip, since six (including herself) were planning to go. However, she landed in the hospital with a brief though painful inflammation just the day before the event, so LES came to the rescue delivering JOAN DAVIS, HELEN APPEL, VAN ADDERSON, GINNY ANDREWS and PAT McGEE to the luncheon.

More groups are asking for members to appear and tell about the '66 Derby. ILOVENE POTTER will appear at the Convention of the Washington Aviation Association to let them know how the plans for the Derby are progressing.

The Seattle Unit of AOPA has invited the 99s to share their Christmas party and program this year. We are all looking forward to this as their parties are very gala affairs, indeed.

That's it for now — but remember THINK SEATTLE FOR '66! We'll be looking for you!

Welcome and Congratulations to our new Wyoming Chapter

WYOMING CHAPTER
Dorothy Misner, Reporter

The Wyoming Chapter of 99s is "airborne," having held our first meeting Saturday morning, Sept. 25th, in the office of the Sky Aviation Corporation at the Worland Municipal Airport.

MABEL ANESI (MRS. ED) of Lander was elected Chairman. MABEL is a transfer member from the South Dakota Chapter and was current News Reporter for that Chapter. NIKI WEAVER (MRS. DALE), Worland, was elected Vice-Chairman and is also a transfer member from the South Dakota Chapter. BETTY ADAMS (MRS. JOHN), Worland, was elected Secretary. BETTY is a new 99. MARIE ENGELMAN (MRS. A. A.), Worland, was elected Treasurer. MARIE is also a transfer member from the South Dakota Chapter. The Wyoming Chapter has three other members. BETTY WITZELING (MRS. KENNETH), Worland, and ELAINE B. MONCUR (MRS. DON J.), Powell, are both new 99s and DOROTHY MISNER (MRS. L. R.), Worland, is another transfer member from the South Dakota Chapter.

MABEL ANESI appointed NIKI WEAVER Membership Chairman and DOROTHY MISNER News Reporter. It was also agreed that the regular meetings of the Chapter would be held the second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m., alphabetically in towns of members and prospective members, the next meeting to be in Casper on the 8th of October. The first meeting adjourned and following lunch MABEL left for Lander in her Cherokee 235.

Flying in for the Casper meeting were MABEL ANESI from Lander and NIKI WEAVER from Worland in her Cessna 172, accompanied by BETTY ADAMS and DOROTHY MISNER. The wind was brisker than we like but thanks to our proficient pilots it presented no problem. We held our busi-

ness meeting in the cafe in the airport terminal building. We had received a letter of welcome from our International President, ALICE ROBERTS, also a report on the Northwest Section Meeting at Medford, Ore. It was also learned that Rock Springs and Cheyenne would be possible stops for the Powder Puff Derby and we all agreed this would be most exciting and we would do our best to help, if needed. We all enjoyed the smorgasbord lunch before departing for Lander and Worland, looking eagerly forward to the next meeting in Lovell on November 13th.

NIKI WEAVER and I made a trip through Greybull, Lovell, Powell and Cody on Friday, Oct. 15th, hoping to recruit a few new members. We talked with LOUISE HUNTINGTON (MRS. BURT) and IRENE ROBERTSON (MRS. MARLO) at Lovell. In Powell we lunched with ELAINE MONCUR and MARIE WHITLOCK and in Greybull we visited PAULINE POWERS (MRS. GENE). We arrived home just in time for NIKI to grab a quick bite and head for Greybull with her family for the Greybull-Worland football game. NIKI's son, KIM, is a member of the team.

MABEL stopped in Worland on her way to Lovell for our November meeting and MARIE and I flew up with her. BETTY WITZELING accompanied NIKI and her daughter, ANN. ANN was a guest and possibly a future 99. We were welcomed at North Big Horn County Airport, Cowley, by women pilots LORETTA BISCHOFF, IRENE ROBERTSON, LOUISE HUNTINGTON, all of Lovell. ELAINE arrived from Powell and PAULINE POWERS sent her regrets and hoped to attend the next meeting.

Secretary BETTY ADAMS was unable to attend and MARIE ENGELMAN acted as Secretary in her absence. Chairman ANESI appointed BETTY WITZELING, Flight Activities Chairman; DOROTHY MISNER, Aero Space Education; and ELAINE MONCUR, AMELIA EARHART Scholarship Chairman.

We all listened intently as IRENE ROBERTSON told us about the history and formation of the WASPs and their duties, training and service during World War II. IRENE was a WASP (Women's Army Service Pilot) and we are looking forward to hearing more from her at later meetings.

LOUISE HUNTINGTON's husband, BURT, of the Yellowtail Flying Service

and owner-editor of the Lovell Chronicle invited us all for lunch at the Rose Bowl dining room in Lovell after which we departed for Lander and Worland looking forward to all of us meeting in Lander on the 8th of January and feeling like the Wyoming Chapter of 99s is "off the ground" and "on the step," heading for many years of "fun flying" and "happy hangar talk".



BAKERSFIELD CHAPTER **Eunice Dickey, Reporter**

The September meeting of the BFL Chapter was held in the lovely home of ACHSA HOLFELDER. Those attending were FLORENCE MOODY, TRISH MARKS, BARBARA JAMESON, who had as her guest a student pilot, ESTHER DAVIS, PRISCILLA SPENCER, MARIANNE LAXAGUE, EDNA LONG of Delano, MAXINE TURNER of Taft and EUNICE DICKEY. BARBARA AND ESTHER are from Porterville.

Porterville was the destination for the fly-in meeting in November with BARBARA JAMESON and ESTHER DAVIS making the arrangements for luncheon at the Paul Bunyan Restaurant. RHODA THOMPSON and MARIANNE LAXAGUE flew in in their Cessna 182. MAXINE TURNER flew her Tri-Pacer with PRISCILLA SPENCER and EDNA LONG riding with her. BERT HAYCOCK also attended. RHODA gave a report on the Section Meeting in Salt Lake. On the way home from the meeting, MARIANNE and RHODA decided to go by way of Santa Barbara, just for fun.

Remember the "Bus for Baja" project the BFL 99s sponsored last July a year ago? This was a "two penny a pound" ride to raise money to buy a bus for children to be able to go to school. A recent report is that the bus is being used for two schools and a third one will be opening very soon and the bus will run for that school, too. Isn't that wonderful, to know that a project was for such a worthwhile cause?

JEAN SKINNER says she hasn't been flying but she and her 49½er have been very busy with a horse show sponsored by the San Joaquin Horse-show Association.

FLORENCE MOODY and husband

have been enjoying their boat. They were especially pleased to have smooth sailing for friends who were with them for their first boat ride recently.

Ninety-Nines on the GO — RHODA THOMPSON and 49½er Warren recently flew to Montana, with RHODA pilot-in-command most of the way. They attended the Section Meeting in Salt Lake City and had a wonderful time.

ALICE PIMBERTON has just returned from a short trip to San Diego.

TRISH MARKS has made several flying trips lately. One to Porterville, then she flew to Columbia to the San Joaquin Valley fly-in. She also attended the Sacramento Chapter fly-in at Capitol Sky Park and then flew on to their ranch at San Andreas for a few days stay there. The whole MARKS family will travel to Northern California to spend the Thanksgiving holidays with their family.

ACHSA HOLFELDER recently visited with her grandchildren in Van Nuys. She is planning to take the Hemet grandchildren to Disneyland this coming weekend.

Hope you all have a wonderful holiday season and the very best New Year to come.

BAY CITIES CHAPTER **Gladys Cobb, Reporter**

Swimming in a beautiful big pool surrounded by shrubs and tall trees was the beginning of an exciting dinner meeting. The occasion was our 7th annual fowl dinner. Who provided the setting, the delicious dinner and was her usual lovely and gracious hostess? None other than our soon to be No. 1 Whirligirl JEAN TINSLEY. She is working hard for her rating and we are all behind her 100 per cent. Good luck, Jean! Back to the meeting beside the pool, presided over by our new Chairman, DEBBIE BYRAM. As our guests enjoyed the company of MRS. MOTTA and daughter DOROTHY, a student and future 99; BARBARA LAPOINT who will be voted on next meeting; SHIRLEY FORBES of Atherton; and BERTHA DYESS, student, grandmother and future 99. There were 21 present.

ETHEL SHAFFER ferried a new 150 from Wichita to SF — without benefit of radio. She followed Hwy. 66 to California and then 99 home—reported it was a wonderful trip and good experience in practicing pilotage.

HALEAH, HARRY, EILEEN and KENNY REILICH began their vacation by celebrating KENNY's 5th birthday

in Salt Lake City then on tour through the Pacific Northwest, Canadian Southwest, Penticton British Columbia, Victoria Island and Fall River Mills. They toured Yellowstone by air, photographed Old Faithful, visited in Helena, Mont., and at Polson, whose airport was piloted by the parents of a 99. Wonderful people! GLENN and MARY McFARLAND were their hosts for three days in Clark Fork, Idaho. While there HI and MARY flew to Spokane and lunched with MILLIE SHINN and LYGIE HAGEN. What a gabfest! The country was beautiful and the people wonderful. HI had to be home on Friday to register for school so HARRY decided it was such a wonderful vacation why not go to Los Angeles and Disneyland Saturday and Sunday for dessert. They did and had a wonderful time.

ELLY and ROY JONES and GLADYS and RAY COBB made a weekend trip to the AOPA plantation Party in Las Vegas. What a sight to see about 1700 light planes parked at McCarran Field. Our Cherokee 235 was right at home parked in row 7. Taxi service from the plane to the terminal and more free taxi service to our motel. We saw NANCY LYMAN and 49½er DON. Discovered to our delight that NANCY was instructing a pinch hitter course for AOPA. CAROLINE SCHUTT was there with 49½er HENRY who had taken a pinch hitter course and was pleased with his accomplishment. We had beautiful weather for flying our course just south of Mt. Whitney. What gorgeous view of the mountain tops with their rugged peaks and colorful rock formations with desert valleys between the mountain ridges. We had a wonderful weekend. It just ended too soon. I have been working hard getting checked out in the 235. Hope to be back lady bugging again soon.

It has been rumored that ELAINE LOENING is out flying around plyons these days. How about it, ELAINE?

Our Air Marking program is beginning to gain momentum. We are presently waiting for paint (free of course) to mark Oakland with the promise of doing Hayward soon.

JOE and RUTH MAGILL vacationed by Skylane. Their route took them to Richfield, Idaho; Bute and Missoula, Mont.; Calgary and Alberta, Canada. They flew to RUTH's cousin's ranch northeast of Dawson Creek, B. C. Much of the country was uninhabited except for oil survey roads. Circling low over the ranch strip they saw a moose in

the clearing. The drive to the ranch house was through a profusion of blooming wildflowers and fescue. On to Dawson creek for lunch where the airport was unique. Besides the regular runway and parallel to it was a water strip for seaplanes. Ruth says "Look well before landing." The return trip was rewarded with a spectacular view of the Rockies and the beautiful canyons in the Spokane area. They were weathered in an extra day at Spokane but then the weather cooperated for the rest of the trip home. On Labor Day weekend they flew to Florence, Ore., landing at a field with trees at both ends. A trip to the sand dunes with a ride on a dune buggy proved exciting. Then on to the Sea Lion Caves. Altogether a wonderful vacation.

Our meeting at ETHEL SHAFFER's was delightful and full of surprises. DIXIE LUSK presented DONI PEREZ and JEANNE SCHLEIMER, as prospective members, each with a brand new Private Certificate. DEBBY BYRAM presented DORIS CONSTENIUS as a prospective member and a past member, ADELE CHASE, came and presented some of her ceramic work. She plans to rejoin us in the near future. DONI PEREZ (license 3-28-65) has been flying two years and has 100 hours. She was introduced to 99s by MARY FIELDS and encouraged by both DIXIE and AMY SYLVESTRI. JEANNE (license 10-10-65) has heard of 99s since childhood and was also encouraged by DIXIE and AMY. She flies with her husband in their Cessna 170B. DORIS is a student and lives in Oakland. Speaking of DIXIE, we were all glad to see her again. It has been a long time. She is flying and competing in shooting matches. Her aim is very good. She has promised to attend more often in the future.

Congratulations to our DEBBY BYRAM and WRAY MISENER on their new ratings! DEBBY on Commercial and WRAY, Instructor. I also apologize to DEBBY for not reporting her good news in the last news letter. Congratulations to both of you.

Bay Cities Chapter was in charge of scoring the 9th Annual San Carlos Cruise and Proficiency Air Meet. Working with DEBBY BYRAM were HIALEAH REILICH, LORETTA GABRIELSON, HELEN KELTON, MAXINE CARLSON and MIRIAM BRUGH. The reports coming back to us now are that they did a good job. Naturally they are 99s.

Flying via commercial air line, GAIL



Fran Johnson, left, of the Las Vegas Valley Chapter Ninety-Nines presents their copy of an original painting of Amelia Earhart to Cliff Henderson, center, and Lee Cathcart, right, of the Coachella Valley Chapter. The copy was placed in the Ninety-Nine exhibit booth at the International Aero Classic held in Palm Springs, Calif., in early November. Mrs. Johnson flew the picture in from Las Vegas for the occasion and landed at Palm Desert Airpark where luncheon was served the recipients at a table hosted by Mr. Henderson.

and FIELDING LANE visited Mexico City and Acapulco—enjoyed the fabulous sunshine and returned with a sun tan to be envied by some of us. GAIL says they bought lottery tickets but failed to say what the results were. They also enjoyed attending jai-alai games.

Hip-Hip-Hooray! We have just made the most difficult hurdle in our Air-marking program. We have acquired the paint to mark Oakland airport, thanks to the cooperation of MAYOR HOULIHAN and MR. NUTTERT of the Port of Oakland. We hope to report the project completed in the next news letter.

Sacramento hosted a fly-in on October 24. Flying in from Oakland, San Francisco, Hayward and Castro Valley were RUTH RUECKERT, CAROLINE and HENRY SCHUTT in a Musketeer, HIALEAH REILICH and family in the 182 and GLADYS and RAYMOND COBB with ELLY JONES in the COBB's 235. We all enjoyed a free lunch, movies and wonderful hospitality. CAROLINE and HENRY are the proud owners of a new '65 S

Bonanza, six seats and 3 blades on the prop.

Late new flash! GENEVIEVE CONLIN has transferred to the Bay Cities from Sacramento. Welcome, GENEVIEVE. We are sure Sacramento's loss is our gain.

Old airplanes keep flying-proof? BOB REID and JAUNDA BIGELOW won the Pacific Coast leg of the Pacific Coast vs. Atlantic Coast Silver Wings Relay Race in the 35-year-old Kreider-Reisner with an average speed of 98 mph, TAS. Needless to say JAUNDA is still flying on cloud 9 without benefit of airplane. Congratulations!

COACHELLA VALLEY CHAPTER

Eleanor Wagner, Reporter

So many things have been going on in the life of this reporter that it is difficult to keep up with each club activity.

At any rate, ILIA MAE CAROSELL, for the past year our chapter Chairman, left pressure of business too great for another go-around. She is opening a new beauty salon in Palm Desert and we are all looking forward to it—at

this writing it is planned for November 27.

DOROTHY COLEMAN accepted the Chairmanship of the Coachella Valley Chapter for the 1965-66 year. We are very informal since we do not seem to get members together easily for meetings. DOROTHY will do much and organize as many interesting meetings, trips, etc., as possible.

We still must remember that as a Chapter we have our contributions to make to the AE Scholarship Fund, the Joan Merriam Smith Memorial and the AWTAR. Hope our members are reading us loud and clear at this point.

On a recent trip to Phoenix it was a pleasure to see many members of the Chapter there and to thank PAT LAMBART for rallying them to the airport for luncheon one day in the Governor's Room. Yours truly was so busy—and on business, too, in behalf of General Aviation News—had little time for social activity, but appreciated the gathering on the spur of the moment. It was a wonderful luncheon and the best of company. Present were MARY VIAL, GWYN DARE, BEV PERIMAN, RUBY SHELDON, MILLIE MERRITT, JUANITA NEWELL, FRED TOLIVAR, MELBA BEARD, PAT LAMBART, JEANNE MORRIS and SUSAN STORM.

Since then, have met and enjoyed the company of VERA DAWN WALKER from Phoenix, a 99 Life and Charter member. She was visiting CLEMA GRANGER in Palm Springs and BOBBI TROUT joined them for an old gab-fest and hangar flying session. We do have pictures coming up on that reunion just on the heels of the International Aero Classic in Palm Springs.

Gear down and welded—for now!

EL CAJON VALLEY CHAPTER

Dottie Sanders, Reporter

Sponsorship of three new 99s in India is our latest achievement of which we are most proud! This is a project on which ISABELLE McCRAE has been working since meeting these girls during her University of Seven Seas tour last year. Through further correspondence with the girls and with our liaison, San Diego Chapter member CLARA ALDRICH, now living in Bombay, were we successful in attaining these new members. Welcome to the 99s, girls! We have voted to sponsor two additional members for an India Section for approval at International

Convention in Seattle. We thank CLARA for her help in this endeavor.

Our capable new Chairman, LEAH LIERSCH, has been busy as a bee getting her committees appointed and a program for the following year under way. Her Board members are: Vice Chairman, IDA GAY; Secretary, 'MAC' HUNTINGTON; Treasurer, HARRIET LEWIS; Board members-at-large, JEAN BUSSY and our Past Chairman, ISABELLE McCRAE. Her committee chairmen are: Membership, BEVERLY BUCKWALTER; Amelia Earhart Scholarship, PATSY STEIN; Aero-Space Education, ISABELLE McCRAE; Airmarking, BARBARA HILL; Flying Activities and Contest, BARBARA TUCKER; Nominating Committee, HARRIET ALLEN; Publicity and Public Relations, AILEEN SAUNDERS; Civil Defense, JUDY BACHMAN; Telephone and Hospitality, DOTTIE DAVIS; Ways and Means, DOTTIE CAMPBELL; News Reporter, Scrap Book and El Cajon Chamber of Commerce Liaison, DOTTIE SANDERS.

The Chapter seemed to be in a temporary relapse after the start of the AWTAR last summer but is springing back to life now and found having the Start most rewarding, not only in its associations with contestants, the Race Board and other 99s, but in the good will created in the local area and accomplishment of improvements at Gillespie Field which would have been accomplished much later had it not been for the Start of the Powder Puff Derby. Therefore, the old saying, "Never underestimate the power of a woman," still holds true. We thank co-Chairmen ISABELLE McCRAE and BOO CHRISTENSEN for their excellent leadership in this endeavor and assure them their hard work was not in vain.

In the local traffic pattern: DORIS RITCHEY, BARBARA HILL and ISABELLE have gone to higher learning and are students at San Diego State College; IDA GAY and DOTTIE CAMPBELL are attending Instrument Ground School, BARBARA TUCKER and 49½er JOHN have moved their Stardust Aviation to improved and larger quarters at Gillespie at the extreme south end of runway 17. They've worked hard getting it ready, but they can be proud of their new facilities. December 11 was the combined grand opening of the new Stardust Aviation and El Cajon Valley Chapter Christmas party, members helping BARBARA with hors d'oeuvres, etc.

Two of our members attended the

International Aero Classic at Palm Springs, November 11, ISABELLE McCRAE and ANNE BLEDSOE. They were pleased to see a nice 99 display and our charming President, ALICE ROBERTS. They Bonanza'd over with LOIS BARTLING, San Diego Chapter

A fun day was provided by the San Diego Chapter for Halloween, attended by Dottie Sanders and Isabelle McCRAE from our Chapter. It was "Trick or Treat" and with our little Trick or Treat bags we flew from airport to airport and hunted the clue to the next place. Attached to each clue were good little Halloween candies which had been placed in colorful pumpkins. Excellent food and socializing followed at Gillespie Field.

To all 99s and families, a MERRY CHRISTMAS and best wishes for many Happy Landings in the NEW YEAR!

FALLON CHAPTER

Elaine Brown, Reporter

Our congratulations to the Utah Chapter for their wonderful Fall Section Meeting. Six of our gals made it over. PAT HENNING, BERTHA CLINE, LOIS WILLIAMS, JUDY HISLE, FRAN GUSTAVSON and HAZEL HOHN are still singing the praises of the hospitable Utah Chapter. The Long Beach 99s should get a special award for sponsoring the 49½er race from Long Beach to Salt Lake City. Just have to mention here that our own 49½er, GUS GUSTAVSON, not only won the race in his Cessna 172, but leg prizes from Long Beach to Cedar City and Cedar City to Salt Lake City! The fellows, who have been complaining bitterly because there is never a race for them, made up for lost time by enjoying every minute from start to finish. It was suggested the name of the race be changed to "The Riot Race".

The Fallon Airport hosted 99s both on the field and via unicom. FRAN GUSTAVSON says when the girls are going by the area, they call in to say hello.

More joyous remembrances of the Southwest Sectional from LOIS WILLIAMS who flew over with JUDY HISLE and husband BILL in their Cessna 205. LOIS says she was greatly impressed with the caliber of the girls in the 99s and all the talent. She and husband DAVE (who has his glider rating) have been gliding at dry lake near Dayton, Nev.

More glider converts: MIKE and LOIS BROWN went to Las Vegas for the AOPA Plantation Party and both

took the glider course. Both came home with their ratings. LOIS says they had a wonderful time the whole week.

More BROWNS visiting Vegas! STAN and ELAINE took friends down in their Cessna 175 for the same weekend. Laurels to the Las Vegas Tower for keeping three runways active while handling 1700 planes with no long waits. Wonder how they dared to blink!

VAL SYLVESTER made an overnight trip to Elko, Nev., with RICK and DE BAER in a new Beech Baron. "Had a wonderful time," says VAL.

ORA DESTREE also made an overnight trip to Elko and one to Paso Robles, Calif., in the 206 to visit her 49½er who was standing by for the Forest Service in a TBM.

DOROTHY STAUFF is smiling with pride ever since her husband, CARROLL, received his instrument rating. There should be a special "safety pilot" rating for DOROTHY!

The trip of the month was made by JOYCE and BOB BEAIL from Reno to Oakland in their T-craft. They spent the night aboard the "Invader," a 136 foot two-masted sailing vessel, then sailed the following day in a wee dingy on the bay. They started home Sunday and spent the night in Sacramento. Then started home again Monday but couldn't get over the hill as it was storming. They made a beautiful 180 when the highway was no longer visible. They spent Monday night in Auburn and finally made it home Tuesday morning. Those Sierras do have a way of stretching out weekend jaunts to full fledged vacations.

Everyone came home to roost in time for our monthly meeting at DE BAER's house in Reno. Her luncheon was delicious. Even husband RICK sneaked in for a bite. He recently added an ATR to his other ratings. We had quite a successful meeting even though the snow flurries reduced us all to wheels!

We just heard DOROTHY STAUFF passed her instrument written with an impressive grade.

FRESNO CHAPTER

Virginia Russell, Reporter

Fresno's fall flying functions are off to a winging beginning. Members are most enthusiastically participating in the newly established group practice sessions—aloft! Ninety-Nines clamber aboard their ships, notify Chandler Tower of practice location and take off for maneuvers keeping in contact with each other on 122.9.

In addition to the monthly flight pro-

ficiency sessions, our group "flies away" cross-country every third Wednesday. In October, BETTY MacPHERSON, organizer of these fun expeditions, VOLINE DODGSON, HELEN SMITH and MARIE KEMPLE joined the San Joaquin Chapter in Columbia, a charming Sierra gold rush community.

Many of our members have traveled afar in recent days. VI HUCKLEBERRY and JACK have covered many states. Our Chairman, HELEN SMITH, continues to quicken her flying pace. On her recent agenda was a flight with her sons to Grants Pass, Ore., where they eagerly shot the rapids on the Rogue River. HELEN and MARIE KEMPLE flew to Selma, Hanford, and Avenal to present solo pilot pins from our 99 Chapter to new women "soloists." Also, HELEN recently received her CAP Search Pilot Rating. Congratulations!

An inspiring time was experienced by HELEN SMITH, VOLINE DODGSON and BETTY MacPHERSON plus their 49½ers on their beautiful trip to the Salt Lake Section Meeting.

Rumor has it that KATHIE McNAMARA is a new Flying Farmer—at least on a substitute basis for KEN! First time they have enjoyed the company of a woman pilot. Sounds like nice work. Do you need a sub, KATHIE?

SHARON WOFFORD was given a rousing and surprising (to her) send-off to her new home in San Carlos by her scheming 99 friends under the guidance of BARBARA FALLER, her Powder Puff compatriot.

October's Chapter meeting was delighted to have as guest speaker CAP Cadet DEBBIE WATERS, who was sponsored by the Fresno 99s at her two-week CAP encampment. In addition, WILMA MUTH and BARBARA MANDICH visited, coming over the Sierras from Bishop and flying back by moonlight. We hope this will become a regular monthly jaunt for them.

Fresno 99s proficiency and knowledge quotient took a sizeable step forward at November's gathering in the beautiful and efficient Tower at the Fresno Air Terminal. A FAA motion picture "A Traveler Meets Air Traffic Control," gave members and guests an understanding of many facets of the ever growing complexity of traffic in the skies. The evening was concluded with a tour to the top of the Tower where the personnel gave more of their viewpoints as traffic controllers.

Fresno flying gals continue their ac-

tivities. Our past Chairman, CAROL BUGAY, piloted her plane to Monache Meadow in the Sierras for opening day of deer season. She reported no deer but abundant snow! CLAUDELL and DAVID FALLER wended their way to Las Vegas in October. BARBARA FALLER holds a unique position in her church. Instead of activities usually associated with church work, BARBARA chauffeurs the minister and other church leaders to meetings throughout California in the FALLER's airplane.

LAS VEGAS VALLEY CHAPTER

Fran Johnson, Reporter

Start planning, pack that bag . . . we hope to see each of our Section members here in Las Vegas on April 15, 16 and 17. Our Chapter will hostess the SW Spring Sectional. At the Fall Sectional, in SLC, we were selected for the meeting. (That will be hard to follow because the SLC gals really put on a good show.)

The most exciting thing these days is the planning for the meeting . . . hardly enough time left over to do much flying. (Especially, with all of this unusual (?) weather.) Even missed the fabulous Aero Classics in Palm Springs because of bad weather.

Flying activities of our members have been exciting, if not numerous, to say the least. JUANITA to southern Arizona to look at a . . . what? A horse, no less! That will be quite a trip to arrange for delivery, JUANITA. South America. She will probably win our mileage award when she returns from **that** trip. Yours truly, FRAN, thought she had it in the bag with her 7,200 air-mile trip in her Cessna 180. With 49½er TOM to fold and unfold charts, the route they intended didn't even come close to their track. Instead of a direct line eastward to New York, then Washington, D. C., and on down to Florida, their track chart shows quite a detour to Detroit; London, Ontario; Niagara Falls; Toronto; Montreal; Quebec City; Houlton, Maine, etc., to New York for a wonderful visit with DORIS RENNINGER, N.Y.-N.J. Section Governor, and our International President ALICE ROBERTS. ALICE lives so close to us that we never see her except far away from home. The trip to Washington, D. C., was highlighted by the gracious, lovable FAY GILLIS WELLS, Charter Member, by giving us the most exciting thrill of a special visit to her stomping grounds at the White House, and having the privilege of meeting that beautiful lady, HELEN GANSS. If anyone has a few hours to spare FRAN



Focal point of 7,200 air-mile vacation trip by Las Vegas Valley Chapter Chairman Fran Johnson and her 49½er, Tom, was Fran's visit at the White House with Helen Ganns, right, and Fay Gillis Wells, Charter/Life 99 member, left.

will bend your ear and would love to show you about 400 color slides of this wonderful trip. Incidentally, this was her first visit East of the Rockies. Also, they never did get to Florida. Visiting with 99s at each stop, time of day permitting, was another privilege of membership. In International Headquarters with non-member CAROL CRAIG as our Executive Secretary, the displays and scrapbooks are something that no 99 should miss when even near Oklahoma City. In Toronto, the gracious hospitality of EDITH LITCHFIELD-DENNY and FLORA MURPHY; N.Y. with DORIS RENNINGER and ALICE ROBERTS, and WILHELMINA HANZLIK, operator of the Flushing Airport (what hospitality!). Watch out for those water tanks and apartment houses when coming in on final at Flushing and with La Guardia Airport so close, it makes for a real interesting approach. In D. C. with JO EDDLEMAN, FAY GILLIS WELLS. Others who made D. C. the focal point of the trip: PAUL GARBER, Head Curator and Historian, National Air Museum, Smithsonian Institution; SUE SILVERMAN, CHARLES WARNICK, MARY ALEXANDER, FRED PELZMAN, at FAA; our Nevada Senior Senator and our Congressman (everyone should meet their representatives when in D. C.); sister and mother of

our LVV 99, NANTSY MARSENICH; small world we live in — even a friend from Florida; South Carolina with FRANCES MILLER and SILVIA ROTH; Louisiana with JO CARROLL, MARTHA CHRISTY and HELEN HEWITT; Oklahoma City with SUSIE SEWELL; El Paso with our immediate Past President RUTH DEERMAN; then a family visit in Deming, N. M., before heading for home rounded out the story of a short two week vacation trip that was completely San Souci.

The comments regarding the 99 booth at the Aero Classics have been very complimentary. Sorry we missed it . . . where is our picture of A.E. that our Chapter loaned for the booth?

See you in Las Vegas April 15, 16, and 17, 1966.

LONG BEACH CHAPTER Carole B. Dunn, Reporter

My apologies for missing the last issue. We got tied up organizing the 1st Annual "49½er Race". Now there's a title for a race. I don't know about you other Chapters but our 49½ers have been saying, for years, "you girls have all the fun and all the races, why don't you have one for us!" So we did—on September 24, 1965—Long Beach, Calif., to Salt Lake City, Utah, via Cedar City, Utah. Our initial turn-

out was only eight entries, 12 fellows, but they are now pioneers really initiated into the mystic realm of discussing how to and how not to fly a race. I want you wives to take note—one of the fellow's comments was, "I never realized what work it was to plan and fly a race," and you other wives with husbands that don't fly, like mine, he went and he wants to go again. Our thanks go out to the Utah Chapter girls, SALLY WELLS, JANE ANDREASON and ALBERTA NICHOLSON, for helping run the race and to our timer, FRAN GUSTAVSON of the Fallon Chapter. We hope you 99s will urge your 49½ers to enter next year. Remember the 1st Powder Puff Derby had only two entries and only one finished. We had eight and eight finished.

Congratulations to our new Chairman, JUDY WAGNER, she won both the Women's Pylon races at Reno and at Las Vegas International Air Races. I asked her how she learned to fly pylons so low — girls, go out on the ocean and fly pylons around the boats. JUDY would like to see more of us enter next year. She said there were three first timers this year and they did well.

JOAN REGISTER, now JOAN DILLY, would like to know if there are any women pharmacists among you that would like to join her in joining the "Flying Pharmacists of America," Billings, Mona. There's lots of fellows but only two girls right now. If you would be interested, contact JOAN—she's in the roster.

We're looking for a nickname for our "49½er Race" to go along with the "Powder Puff Derby" such as "Big Shavers Race," if you've got an idea, we'd like to hear of it. As some of you know, some 49½ers would like that name changed to 198ers but you can't change tradition.

Following is a list of the winners—all:

No. 1, "GUS GUSTAVSON, Cessna 172; par, 107; overall score, 114.58, +7.59; 1st leg score, 114.23, +7.23; 2nd leg score, 115.20, +8.20.

No. 2, JOHN NITZEN, Bonanza 35; par, 154; overall score, 159.49, +5.49; 1st leg score, 159.21, +5.21; 2nd leg score, 160.00 +6.0.

No. 3, BOB CENICEROS and JACK LONDON, Comanche 250; par, 149; overall score, 154.07, +5.07; 1st leg score, 155.53, + 6.53; 2nd leg score, 151.57, +2.57.

No. 4, PHILIP REAMES and JAY ACKERMAN, Bonanza K35; par, 158; overall score, 161.11, +3.11; 1st leg



1st Annual "49 $\frac{1}{2}$ er Race" entrants, 1st row—left to right: Bob Cenicerros, "Brooks" Covell, Gus Gustavson, John Nitzen. 2nd row—left to right: Bill Brooks, Jack London, Gene Maskow, Pat Dunn, Jack Worel, Bob Pinkney, Dick Worstell. Missing: Dr. Philip Reams, Jay Ackerman.

score, 161.76, +3.76; 2nd leg score, 160.00, +2.00.

No. 5, RICHARD WORSTELL and JACK WOREL, Becch 95; par, 180; overall score, 182.13, +2.13; 1st leg score, 182.73, +2.73; 2nd leg score, 181.57, +1.57.

No. 6, EUGENE MOSKOW and PAT DUNN, Apache; par, 136; overall score, 135.64, —.36; 1st leg score, 133.91, —2.09; 2nd leg score, 138.79, +2.79.

No. 7, WILLIAM BROOKS and ROBERT PINKNEY, Tri-Pacer; par, 105; overall score, 104.41, —.59; 1st leg score, 104.23, —.77; 2nd leg score, 104.73, —.27.

No. 8, BROOKS COVELL, Navion; par 128; overall score, 79.35, —48.65; 1st leg score, 126.37, —1.62; 2nd leg score, 48.00, —80.00.

Come join us some second Wednesday night each month at our new permanent meeting place and CLAIRE WALTERS Flight Academy, Long Beach Airport. Come early if you like and join us for dinner in the Clouds Restaurant, watching the planes go by. Always a busman's holiday.

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

Rachel Bonzon, Reporter

Our delegates to the Fall Sectional at Salt Lake City report a wonderful welcome and a well-planned and delightful program of events. TILLIE KLEMENTS, REBECCA HELD, and LARRY and RACHEL BENZON were

able to make the trip, which included for them an overnight stop in Las Vegas. Thank you very much, Utah girls!

The Los Angeles Chapter held a fly-in to Apple Valley on October 17. It was a day to startle local residents, with "Los Angeles visibility six zero, winds light and variable". Some participants noted seeing the destination airport only a few minutes after take-off (also noting that traffic was heavy at Apple Valley, landing and taking off in all directions). The luncheon meeting was held at the Roy Rogers Apple Valley Inn. Our November business meeting was held November 9, and concluded with Douglas Aircraft Company films on air freight and military jets.

We were very happy to receive recent news from CAROLYN WEST, former Los Angeles Chapter Chairman, Southwest Section Governor and winner of the 1947 AWTAR. CAROLYN and her husband are very active in marine organizational activities, including long range cruising and researching with their boat. Their current marine writing has involved almost a year's work on a combination narrative and cruise guide book which will be published next summer, its scope reaching from Mexico to Alaska. In addition there is a continual series of travel and navigational articles for the national circulation magazines.

From Reseda to Redondo, Private Pilot and Instrument classes keep Ground Instructor DRU BENEFIEL busy four night a week. Among these in her large Instrument class is JEAN IVANOFF. Meanwhile, back in her airplane, JEAN continues to navigate from Torrance to Long Beach and return.

REBECCA HELD reports that, on a quiet desert vacation at Ocotillo Wells, she met an interesting pilot with a Super Cub and a 1300 foot air strip tucked away off the highway. Pilots are everywhere!

BEULAH and BILL KEE have been doing an excellent job as "Tower Operators" (Editors) of the Icarian Flying Club's "Tower Talk," a paper full of interesting club news, meetings, social events, safety articles, fly-in plans, and personal news.

Santa Barbara has been the airport most often visited by most of our members this month with ANN and MAURY LODWIG, BEULAH and BILL KEE and RACHEL and LARRY BONZON flying up at various times. Sometimes we're lucky enough to meet by chance some of the Santa Barbara 99s, like JOAN STEINBERGER.

CAROL and BERNIE LEWIS flew to Sacramento to visit relatives. They also attended the air show at Chico.

TILLIE, fly down and get that medical current!

NORTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER

Ruth Smith, Reporter

The weather cooperated with us for our planned fly-in luncheon to Williams on the 13th. DOT WARD flew a Skylane, her passengers were ROSEMARY KAHLE and HELEN LAWRENCE. BETH WRIGHT flew her 210 with students JEAN KNOTT, BEV SMITH, and JOYCE FARLEY. A prospective 99, LOIS M. WARD, flew a Cherokee 140 from Prescott solo. We are looking forward to having her as a member of our Chapter.

BEV mentioned some of her experiences of this past summer when she and doctor husband attended a Flying Physicians meeting in Miami, Fla. She took the ground school course while there. There were some who thought surely she was mistaken when she told them our field here was at the 7,000 ft. elevation.

HELEN recently flew the CAP T-34 solo into Luke Air Force Base for a prop checkout. There was quite a Big Brass reception committee awaiting her. "I had a ball," she reported.

Another Flying Physician trip. This

time with ROSEMARY KAHLE and 49½er JOHN — he's the doctor — to Alaska. Strictly pilotage and ADF flying and being sure to remember where the airports are if you have to turn around because of weather. Enjoyed the trip and logged some Yukon time, relates ROSEMARY.

Some September news: Ballots were opened and counted. Results: HELEN LAWRENCE, chairman; JUNE ELY, Vice - Chairman; MARILYN BILLS, Secretary-Treasurer. Other officers are: MARY ELLEN LIKEN, Air Marking Chairman; ANNE MADARIAGA will help her, Membership Chairman, BETH WRIGHT; ROSEMARY KAHLE, Scrapbook Chairman. DOT WARD is our Air Age Education Chairman, a very good choice for her enthusiasm is contagious.

MARY ELLEN LIKEN and JEAN BLACK attended the Sectional at Salt Lake City. Left Holbrook early, stopped at Page for gas, near Bryce Canyon the engine stopped! They kept circling the field, finally got the engine started and were on their way again. MARY ELLEN concluded it must have been some ice. The trip home was uneventful.

There was quite a bit of excitement when a U2 plane made an emergency landing here in Flagstaff. The plane was here for three days while repairs were made. Military personnel everywhere and especially around the plane. A large crowd was on hand for the take off, which was spectacular! BETH and 49 TEX received an autographed photo of a U2 from the pilot along with a letter of warm praise and appreciation from the Commanding Officer for all their assistance and cooperation with the repair crew and officers.

HELEN, DOT, MARY VAN GAAS-BEEK, BETH and MARY ELLEN flew to Tucson in the WRIGHT's Super Skyplane to help the Tucson Chapter with their Penny a Pound. Reported a pleasant trip both ways and are enthusiastic about a Penny a Pound here next year.

DOT WARD has had her instructor ticket since August. More recently she has been designated as check out pilot for the local CAP and their T-34s.

MARILYN BILLS has been catching up on some flying now that her second son is a little older—eight months now.

I hear that ANNE MADARIAGA is now working on her Commercial ticket. Good for you, ANNE.

In August, we met in Winslow for the purpose of approving our Bylaws. This

was done after a few revisions. MARY ELLEN flew back to Holbrook just ahead of a dust storm while JUNE ELY had a turbulent flight back to Williams. HELEN, ROSEMARY, LILLIAN BREWER, my daughter, and I were really brave—we drove.



Thon Abbott, Orange County Chapter Chairman.

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER

Ann Cantillon, Reporter

Meetings and more meetings, work and more work seem to be the order of the day. Panic is absolutely right when it comes to Penny-a-Pound. All Chapter members have their duties, but sometimes feel that we are bumping into one another trying to accomplish them. Finally things are under way, and come November 21st, we hope to have the biggest crowd Orange County Airport has ever seen. Everyone has been very cooperative, and God willing we'll be able to help the Flying Doctors with their mercy missions into Mexico.

Enjoyed attending the Fall Sectional at Salt Lake City. A public speaker I'm not so can't say that I cared too much about having to present the bid for the '66 Fall Sectional. However, in all my shaking glory was most happy to report my mission a success.

Welcome to new members NANCY CREWS, HELEN HEDGES, SHERRI BLESSING and MARILYN BARTON. You just arrived in time girls, lots of work to be done.

Late October found CHRIS HOFFMAN and MADINE PARSEL as guest speakers at a Jr. Ebell luncheon. CHRIS giving an accounting of our Mercy flight into the remote villages of Mexico with the Flying Doctors,

while MADINE recapped the 99 organization.

GINNY CHANDLER received the biggest surprise for her birthday when her husband presented her with a new Cessna 172. The CHANDLERS already have a Skymaster that GINNY recently received her Center Line Thrust rating for. She is now thinking seriously of flying the '66 Powder Puff Derby with CHRIS HOFFMAN.

On her trip to the California coast PAGE SHAMBERGER found time from her busy schedule to contact old buddy TIG PENNOCK and arrange a breakfast meeting at the Disneyland Hotel. TIG tells me that she and PAGE have been friends for over eight years.

NANCY CREWS is the proud possessor of a new Instructor license. Understand she practiced using MARGOT SMITH as her student. MARGOT was most happy to comply until one day the SMITH family and the CREWS family made arrangements to meet at a local beach to do a little tide pooling, meeting point was completely missed. Who was doing the navigating, girls?

Three of our members will be remaining in the dark for the next few flying hours. NANCY THOMAS, ANN CANTILLON and HELEN HEDGES are all working on their instrument ratings.

49½er NED and myself flew to San Francisco for the weekend. The most beautiful weekend California has been for flying in many a moon. Sunday found us heading for Nut Tree where we had breakfast which we enjoyed to the utmost. This is one place that everyone must fly to, just great.

The AeroClassic at Palm Springs found Orange County members in force. Those attending that your reporter found roaming around were: NANCY THOMAS, CLAIRE REEDY, MARA CULP, MYRA SHANFIELD, GINNY CHANDLER, THON ABBOTT, CHRIS HOFFMAN. I'm sure there are some I've missed, my apologies.

Commencing with this issue, each month I will try to present a short cameo about one of our members. We are most proud of our Chapter and feel that this personal touch will allow all 99s to become better acquainted.

A native, THON ABBOTT was born in San Francisco and has lived in California all her life. She is the mother of four: two teenage sons, one almost teenage daughter and a third son nine years old. THON is present Chapter Chairman, holds a Commercial rating with nearly 500 hours and placed

10th in her first Powder Puff Derby in 1965.

THON started her flying career in 1961 in a (as she calls it) "twenty-second hand" Ercoupe which she later sold for a "twenty-second hand" Tri-Pacer. As all things must go so did the Tri-Pacer, this time for a partnership in a Cessna 170 which, after recovering the wings in the garage, she and new partner flew all over Baja, Calif. Along with all this THON has found time for the past two years to be secretary for FRANK TALLMAN and the late PAUL MANTZ.

PHOENIX CHAPTER

Ginny Moser, Reporter

Our membership is growing by leaps and bounds and we were happy to welcome four new members at our last meeting. 99 pins and corsages were presented to FREDa TOLIVER, ANNE DAVIS, JEANNE MORRIS and RUBY SHELDON. We're so happy to have these girls with us and they have already shown themselves to be enthusiastic 99s. We hope to have many more like them.

We all wish we were with MARY and GEORGE VIAL, who are spending two weeks in Europe visiting Lisbon, Portugal; Barcelona, Spain; and Paris, France. Won't MARY have stories to tell to liven up these fall meetings! They're pretty lively right now, as they are, with all the hangar flying!

JESSIE WIMMERS has successfully passed her written instrument exam and is now working at Anderson Aviation, the Piper dealer at Sky Harbor. All you 99s are invited to stop in for a chat. We, in Phoenix, are quite proud of this little gal who ferried a Cessna 150 solo to South America.

MARJ CROWL recently greeted HELEN GRALIN and her 49½er from Minneapolis at Thunderbird Field upon their arrival for vacation.

LOIS CHASE is back in Phoenix after a one year absence. Welcome!

One of our newest members, JEANNE MORRIS recently went to Wichita and picked up a new Skyhawk from the Cessna factory and had a very enjoyable trip back.

More news next time—we hope. In the meantime, fly out our way. The weather here in the Valley of the Sun is getting better all the time!

REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER

Phyllis Cantrell, Reporter

At the time of elections within our Chapter, I was elected Vice-Chairman

and since my duties are few, I was given the Newsletter. This is my first attempt at this so I'll try to bring you all the news I can find. It gives me an opportunity to be nosey and get away with it.

The Sectional at Salt Lake City was attended by four from our Chapter. PAT STOUFFER and BETTE SMITH flew over in PAT's club 172, BARBARA CRABER and her niece in BARBARA's Navion, and ANITA WOREL in her 170. ANITA and BARBARA were stuck in Reno for two days on the way back—they said it was because of the weather. (?) MYRTLE WRIGHT, our immediate past Chairman, has been elected to the office of Section Secretary and we offer our congratulations. I managed to get elected to the Section Nominating Committee. We'll both do our best to be a credit to the Section.

Since returning from the Powder Puff Derby, BETTY FOSTER and I have been relating our experiences to some of our local service clubs. BETTY spoke to the Petaluma Rotary club and the Sebastopol Lions Club. I was invited to speak to the Optimist Club here in Santa Rosa and also the Rotary Club in Ukiah. BETTY is working diligently on her Commercial so she can participate in next year's AWTAR as first pilot. She's also attending a meteorology class at the Santa Rosa Junior College, and recently checked out in the Cessna 206 (a busy girl).

I've been busy too — Instructing on a part time basis for our newest Flight School in Santa Rosa, "Let's Fly, Inc." attending a meteorology lab class at the Junior College, and in my spare time cramming for the instrument written exam.

MYRTLE WRIGHT tells me she has the books out and is studying for her Instructor rating. ANITA has already passed the Commercial written and is presently working on the instrument requirement to finish it up. BECKY LIGHTFOOT and 49½er PHIL spent a few days pheasant hunting in South Dakota, after first flying to visit her folks in Helena, Mont.

The October meeting was to be a fly-in at our cabin near Mt. Shasta. 49½er REX and I flew up Saturday afternoon in the club 205 and ANITA and 49yer JACK flew in Saturday evening in their 170. The rest were expected up for a barbecue Sunday but due to a stubborn fog in the bay area that just wouldn't lift, no one made it. The weather in the mountains was

beautiful and I'm sorry they missed it.

Our newest members is LOUISE MONTERO from Petaluma. She recently earned her Private License and with her husband owns and operates a very nice restaurant "Sonoma Joe's" —a wonderful place to eat.

MARDO CRANE has recently moved to Cupertino and out of our Chapter area. We hope she will stay active in one of the Chapters in her area. She is a real asset to the 99s and we will miss her. Guess that's all for now —see you next month.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

Ruth Ebey, Reporter

We had a Trick-or-Treat fly-in on Halloween! The trick was in figuring out which field to fly to next from the rhymed clue which was attached to a piece of Halloween candy—the treat. The treat-clues were stowed in pumpkins in the office of each airport and believe me, the fellows on duty were getting as much kick out of the fun as we were. LOIS BARTLING organized the fly-in which concluded with a potluck lunch at Gillespie Field. Participants were DOTTIE SANDERS and ISABELLE McCRAE of El Cajon Chapter in DOTTIE's 140; MARGARET MOODY and SYLVIA COLTON with 49½ers JIM and JOE in the MOODY Tri-Pacer; MARGRIT GOODRICH and EVELYN TRIMBLE with 49½er MURRAY and HOWARD in the GOODRICH Debonair — the gals won a prize for having the biggest handicap — their husbands were back-seat pilots; THELMA BISHOP and her sister EDNA in THELMA's Skylane; JUNE and JIM HICKOX in their 140; and RUTH and JACK EBey in their Aeronca Chief.

NORM and THELMA SMITH and their friend MRS. BARTON flew down from Los Angeles but did not fly for clues.

Quite a few drove in and enjoyed the lunch: LYN and BOB BRIGGS, his sister and brother-in-law visiting from Seattle, and local friends; STELLA HARDIN had to work but sent her 49½er and two younger daughters; JACKIE and CHARLES BROOKS and children; MARTHA and JOHN MULLEN; BETTY LAMBERT had been giving El Cajon Chapter 49½er DEL GAY instrument instruction and they dropped in.

Trick-or-treat bags of goodies were given to all the children present.

Our first airmarking project of the season was to paint Montgomery on that field's newly surfaced runway 28.

On the preceding Wednesday some of the girls helped measure and lay out the letters, then started to paint the first Sunday in November, finished up the following Wednesday. BETTY WHARTON made preliminary arrangements and members who wielded paintbrush and roller and measuring tape were: MARIAN BANKS, LOIS BARTLING, JACKIE BROOKS, STELLA HARDIN, JUNE HICKOX, DOTTY KLOTZ, RUBY KEAVENY, MARTHA MULLEN, MARGARET MOODY and ELSIE WATSON.

MARGARET MOODY has agreed to be the Chairman of the 1966 San Diego-Fallon Race with assistance from our veteran Race Chairman, RUBY KEAVENY.

SYLVIA COLTON has just been elected President of the San Diego Glider Club.

TERRY and AL VASQUES took her mother (68) and father (78) on a trip to San Francisco in their Apache—they were greatly impressed by the practice GCA which AL executed. TERRY and AL also flew the Apache to Bahia de Los Angeles in Baja, Calif., along with BETTY and CLAUD WHARTON in their 210 early in November. The occasion was a flying club's fly-in. They all enjoyed barbecued turtle; TERRY and AL caught lots of yellowtail and grouper; and BETTY and CLAUD just sat around and "hung loose".

EVELYN and HOWARD TRIMBLE flew to the AOPA Plantation Party at Las Vegas. So did MARGRIT GOODRICH — her first long solo in their new Debonair; husband airlined later to meet her there. MARGRIT also flew solo to San Francisco in November to a nurses' institute, was thrilled by the novelty of landing at S. F. International, returned non-stop in two hours and 40 minutes.

JAMIE and BOB SWANSON plan to fly to Bahia de Los Angeles the latter part of November, then on to survey Scammon's Lagoon as a possible campsite.

MARIAN BANKS and RUBY KEAVENY missed Cheyenne and Rock Springs, Wyo., on the early route survey of weather but got there in October.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER **Loreli Cangiano, Reporter**

Hail to our new leader, FLORENCE DITTMAR, installed with her Board at the Brown Bottle Room of the Schlitz Brewery. We not only "lent our ears" but gave them away un-



Members of the San Fernando Valley Chapter of 99s on hand for ground breaking ceremonies for new \$440,000 Tower which will be ready at Van Nuys Airport in plenty of time for the 1968 Powder Puff Derby. Left to right: Catherine Black, Shirley Thorn, Lola Ricci, Elizabeth Svenson, Mary Kemper, Mr. A. M. Rechler (president of Airport Commissioners), Mr. Francis Fox (Airport Manager) and Shirley Clark.

reservedly to our delightful speaker at this occasion—Charter Member BETTY GILLIES from San Diego, who reminisced about earlier times.

Members PAT DEMITTER, MARY KEMPER, FLORENCE DITTMAR, LOIS MILES, LOLA RICCI, VIRGINIA RAINWATER and SHIRLEY THOM flew home from the Salt Lake City Sectional with the 1968 International Convention Bid. We were happy to add this to the PPD Race Start at the same time and were further pleased with our winning the Non-Pro Flying Trophy.

The two-day Antique Aircraft and Auto Show at Burbank Airport was graced by two hot dog booths presided over by our own gals. Proceeds from this and from the two cents a pound ride held at the same time are going to our '68 Derby Start Fund. Want to buy surplus frozen wieners anyone?

We are most proud of new members MARGARET WARD and ADRIENNE NATER, pinned at our November meeting (ADRIENNE flies to work in Ventura 'most every day); also of the two new instrument ratings awarded to CATHY BLACK (also just turned law student), and ERLINE PEEPLES. (ERLINE's pooch, Bandito, shared her

check ride and her glory as he does all her time in the air); and finally our pride runneth over for this month as we heard of AUDREY SCHUTTE's new Instrument Instructor Rating.

Speaker for this meeting was BOB GRAINER, Van Nuys Tower head, who loaded us with interesting facts and figures about the operation of our own Van Nuys Tower.

Our two Chapter fly-ins were well attended by members and guests. To Yucca Valley flew FLORENCE DITTMAR, NITA LOVELESS, LOIS MILES, LORELI CANGIANO, LOIS MAUER, LOLA RICCI and MARGARET WARD. We were met by GARNETT STOCKTON, the only 99 in Yucca Valley, who acted as gracious hostess and arranged for our lunch at the golf club. Then two weeks later FLORENCE DITTMAR, LETAH RAMSOUR, EDDIE WHITE, MARILYN ARNOLD, MARY PINKNEY, LOLA RICCI, LINDA DENS-MORE and various 49½ers met LOIS BARTLING, LYNN BRIGGS and ELSIE WATSON at Palomar for another yummy lunch.

How many of you say MARY KEMPER, LOIS MILES, ELLEN TRINDLE, LIBBY SVENSON, and JAN HARDIN



Frank LaMendola, Van Nuys Restaurateur, winner of the "thank you" prize of 500 gallons of Humble gasoline as a result of donating to the 1963 Powder Puff Derby Fund, receives the letter notifying him of his good fortune from Lola Ricci (right), Southwest Section Vice-Governor, and Ardie Trenholm, San Fernando Valley Chapter member and Assistant Flight Operations Manager at Skyways.

helping to man (woman?) the 99 booth at the International Air Show in Palm Springs?

Congratulations to EDDIE WHITE on earning her Private Ticket. The only thing that stands between her and 99 membership now is the paper work.

GLADYS HOGINS flew to Alaska; MARILYN ARNOLD was thrilled to win a Lear jet ride; VIRGINIA RAINWATER a 727 ride; and ELLEN TRINDLE flew to the Lakes, Mojave and Tahoe where her talents really shone when she capsized a sailboat. LORELI CANGIANO and MARY KEMPER were seen at the AOPA Plantation Party in Las Vegas. CATHY BLACK has taken up soaring; LIZ CROWLEY aerobatics; and our two hard working new Sectional officers are LOLO RICCI, Vice-Governor, and LOIS MILES, Nominating Committee Chairman.

We were so happy to have guests from Ventura at our last meeting.

Y'ALL COME TOO!

SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CHAPTER

Betty Humble, Reporter

Starting out this month with a few changes . . . some new officers, new members and a new reporter. My name is BETTY HUMBLE, Private license, 250 hours and two TAR's behind me. Nice to be back in the 99s again after

a "sabbatical" of two years while teaching and getting an elementary teaching credential and trying to keep up with two active children at home.

New Officers Dept.: SHIRLEY GILMORE continues as Chairman; JEAN SUGDEN is Vice-Chairman; DOROTHY GEDDES is Treasurer; and VIRGINIA WEGENER is Secretary.

New Members Dept.: Congratulations to MARJORIE SCHULZ and DOROTHY FOXON with their brand new, shiny licenses! To celebrate, the girls flew to Thermal in SCHULZ's new Skylane.

PENNY SWOPE attended the Spacecraft Convention at Giant Rock Airport. She says to be sure to take pictures of the UFO's you see, girls. (Attention Flying Saucer Pilots: Smile—you're on candid camera!)

Southwest Section Meeting in Salt Lake City attracted NORMA WILCOX, her 49½er NATE and PENNY SWOPE. They arrived on Thursday, the first plane to arrive, and were one of the last planes to leave. They had a wonderful time — no wonder it was so hard to come home.

CYNTHIA CHAP and her family flew to the Nut Tree for lunch. It's a good thing Nut Tree is so far away or we would all be twice as fat.

DOROTHY GEDDES and 49½er MERLIN flew to Las Vegas to attend the American Mining Congress. DOROTHY finally found an honest (?) black-jack dealer and walked out with some loot for a change. 42 Tango performed very well after being laid up with a broken tail feather. (A helpful (?) friend backed into a post while trying to park it in their hangar.)

A stop at Reno was made by ISABEL OWEN and 49½er NOEL on the tail end of the Air Races. The stop lost a lot of its charm as taxiing for takeoff amounted to 55 minutes. What a mob! They continued on to Concord, however, over-flying Lake Tahoe in beautiful weather which made the whole trip worthwhile.

The GILMORE and HUMBLE clans spent a wonderful four-day weekend in Jackson Hole area. Saw the Grand Teton from above and below, made the Grand Loop of Yellowstone, floated down the Snake River on rafts, went horseback riding, boating on Jenny Lake and hiking. Ever tried this in four days by car? You're right — it's impossible. Flying — the only way to go.

VIRGINIA WEGENER and co-pilot MARILYN NORTON brought home the "Best Woman Pilot" trophy from the

Jim Long Memorial Race on Labor Day weekend. SGV Chapter donated the trophy. VIRGINIA still won't tell us how many other women pilots there were in the race!

LOOKING FORWARD: Our Chapter is anxiously awaiting a visit from our Southwest Section Governor, PAT LAMBERT! She'll be with us at our November meeting.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER

Laverne A. Gudgel, Reporter

Since last reporting, our Chapter has had four fly-in meetings, of which one was an invitational with three other Chapters, been represented at the Southwest Sectional in Salt Lake City and welcomed three new members.

First of all, a grand welcome to HETTIE FREESE and JEANENNE THOMPSON of Modesto and PAULINE CHRISTENSEN, a former member from MERCED.

Our August meeting was a fly-in to Antioch hosted by MARTY GRAHAM, attended by LAURA MAY CRAWFORD, PAULINE CHRISTENSEN, DOROTHY KOEBEL, JEAN MURRAY, MARIE McDOWELL and daughter LORA, HETTIE FREESE and 10 month old daughter and LAVERNE GUDGEL. Our picture and corresponding article about 99s was featured in the Antioch Ledger.

Flying into JEAN MURRAY's private strip in Stockton where we boarded MARGARET ANDREW's cruiser bound for the Delta Yacht Club was the setting for a really fun September meeting. Re-election of our officers was the order of business.

On Columbus Day we were joined by guests from Sacramento, Fresno and Santa Clara Valley Chapters for a fly-in at Columbia State Park. Prospective member HELEN McGEE and husband HARVEY of the local Sonora area newspaper also took a group snap and featured us in their paper. Thirty-two 99s in 11 planes attended with 14 of our 17 Chapter members flying in. They were MARIE McDOWELL, DOROTHY BRIDGEFORD, EVELYN JOHNSON, DOROTHY KOEBEL, PAULINE CHRISTENSEN, JEAN MURRAY, EV HENDLEY, MARTHA GRAHAM, HETTIE FREESE, JEANENNE THOMPSON, MARGARET ANDREWS, LAURA MAY CRAWFORD, TERRY HOLM and LAVERNE GUDGEL.

Santa Barbara member GRACE MCCHESENEY arranged for transportation from San Luis Obispo Airport to the

Madonna Inn for our November get-together. Orchids to her and the Santa Barbara gals for the pleasure of their company that day and for arranging for such beautiful weather.

News about our three new members: JEANENNE THOMPSON received her license in September (joined our group almost immediately) and has made a flight to Sacramento. HETTIE FREESE checked out in a "220" Stearman, acquired instructor and commercial ratings, with a charter to Las Vegas and lots of instructing already. Congratulations, HETTIE! GEORGE ANN GARMS buzzed her new Skylane to Fresno, Reno, Oakland and Concord since returning from New York City in August.

Reinstated member PAULINE CHRISTENSEN and BILL flew into Sacramento in their Apache to attend the California Flying Farmer Convention. She's a former National Flying Farmer Queen. Chairman MARIE McDOWELL's husband, ALAN, conducted the Convention as President; they also made a journey to Idaho. JEAN MURRAY is excited about two new pilots in the family. Both sons, age 16 and 17, have soloed. Her comment, "Can't get near the plane anymore!"

TERRY HOLM, wing-rider for Gold Coast Airshows, has had a busy season performing at Fremont, Auburn, Las Vegas and Reno Air Races. Just got the word they've asked her to appear soon on the "To Tell The Truth" TV program in New York. DORTHA and DICK BRIDGEFORD have won a trip to Hawaii through their Cessna dealership. MARTY GRAHAM is busy teaching an aviation ground school class at their Antioch Airport.

Your reporter and family jetted to Birmingham, Ala., the last of August where we took delivery of a Debonair. (Met—because she was wearing her pin—a very nice new member from the Memphis Chapter, VIRGINIA PROCTER.) We made daily short flights with sightseeing in Crystal River, Fla., New Orleans, La., (just before Betsy), San Antonio, Texas, Carlsbad, N. M., El Paso and Phoenix on the way home. What a way to travel!

PAULINE took MARIE, MARTY and myself in her plane for a wonderful weekend in Salt Lake City. Thank you, Utah Chapter, for a most well organized and fun-filled Sectional.

Merry Christmas and many happy flying hours in the New Year!

SANTA BARBARA CHAPTER

Anna Reitz, Reporter

At long last, news from Santa Barbara Chapter. I think we have a reputation for being noisy, especially on a certain 99 bus out of Salt Lake City but unfortunately, our noise has seldom found it's way to the pages of the Newsletter. I hope to remedy this situation and keep you well posted on our many and varied activities in the future.

Today found us 18 strong around a luncheon table at Oceano for our regular monthly meeting. It was a perfectly beautiful day, the kind that California would like to claim as "usual weather".

I asked the girls to give a brief report of their recent activities with the following result:

GRACE McCHESNEY—"I have coordinated the last two meetings for our Chapter. I have helped my husband, LEROY, to get his quarterly CCAA meeting organized. I bought the groceries for a pancake breakfast that fed around 150 people for our local pilots association and I have been attending night school working toward my Commercial written."

JOAN STEINBERGER — "Attended Sectional with BETTY WARD in her "future's" 182. Our Chapter came in second for non-professional flying time. Our newest member is VELVA KRIEDER from Atascadero. We have big plans to enlist members from the Santa Maria and Vandenberg area."

HELEN HINE — "Summer school all summer at Indiana University." (Incidentally, HELEN was our speaker at today's meeting. Her story as an early glider pilot and instructor was fabulous.)

GAYLE AITKEN — "Traveled with 49½er on three great fishing trips up in Idaho plus another week at the beach country on San Clemente where we had a family reunion of three sisters."

VELVA KREIDER and 49½er BARD — "Vacation trip to Florida in our 172 Skyhawk with our two teenage sons, through Tucson, San Antonio, New Orleans, Pensacola, Orlando, Ft. Lauderdale, Miami, St. Augustine, Jacksonville and back home."

BILLIE HERRIN — "Have moved body, soul, family and airplane to Santa Barbara from Lompoc."

Yours truly has passed the Instrument Instructor Written and hopes to have the check ride behind me by next writing.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY

Bliss Hanson, Reporter

News from the Santa Clara Valley Chapter has not appeared in the Newsletter for some time which means there is a lot of catching up to do.

99 PHYLLIS PIERCE became a Whirly Girl August 19, No. 94, when she got her rotorcraft rating in a Hughes 269-A. On hand to congratulate her were our two other rotor-rated gals, ALICE WISEDANGER and JACKIE SACHEN. To celebrate the occasion JACKIE baked a beautiful cake complete with green "chopper" decoration.

Members have lent encouraging words to CHARLENE TAYLOR to complete her multi-engine rating in her Aztec-C so that she can be pilot-in-command on some of her family weekend jaunts.

STEPHANIE HANCOCK flew a Cherokee 180 some 50 hours through the mid-west this October with major stops in Auburn, Alabama, and Kansas City. Shortly before her trip she took second place in the San Carlos Cruise and Proficiency Race, September 25, flying a Cherokee 140 in Class A. STEPHANIE made a fine showing as there were many entrants.

PAT GLADNEY, ALICE TAYLOR and JEANNIE MACKELHATTON flew to Salt Lake City for the 99 Convention where they attended the varied activities at the Park City Ski Resort including a barbecue and a visit to the Mormon Tabernacle. Hawaii became a part of the Southwest Section — a banquet was held at the Hotel Utah.

JACKIE SACHEN successfully completed her Instrument Rating, adding still another accomplishment to her flying repertoire. I finally got my Commercial.

One discovery was made at the October meeting and that was, collectively, we have not kept a record of our flying hours. Several members have flown half way across the country and back and as far south as Mexico and Santiago, Chile, this year. We will be sure to keep a record for a future crack at the flying hours trophy.

Several gals attended a fly-in luncheon at Capitol Sky Park in Sacramento during October. Once again, the Sacramento Chapter hosted a lovely gathering.

Members interested in seeing more progress made at the Palo Alto Airport with regard to the new runway construction, have formed a committee opposing the Audubon Society's attempts to arrest further construction.

Audubon people contend that the birds will not survive if they are moved from their present breeding grounds at the Palo Alto Airport. Birds can't live just anywhere, but then runways can't be built just anywhere either.

Plans are being made to attend the International AeroClassic in Palm Springs this weekend of November 11-14. Featured will be air races, aerobatics, and lectures on business and general aviation advancements. Guess I'm going aviating this weekend.

TUCSON CHAPTER

Maggie Schock, Reporter

"Skylift Cessna 16 Uniform, number one to go." "16 Uniform, cleared for take-off." With this specialized, brief transmission Tucson's 8th Annual Penny-a-Pound began. Before the final transmission of the day 24 aircraft had flown 172,000 pounds of people over Tucson for our most successful airlift. Over 1400 landings also marked the biggest day in the history of Tucson Airport Authority. I know Tower personnel throughout the system are a very special group of people; but Tucson must have the cream of the crop. Picture nine aircraft on base—all different types, from a Tri-Pacer to Beech Baron, and you can begin to imagine the scope of their operation. Not a single incident or near miss marred the day's success. What a job they did! Visit your Tower the next time you go out to fly and let them know how much you appreciate their constant concern for our welfare. We call them our "Towering Angels".

With the Tucson Airport Authority buying over 1500 gallons of gas that day, Tucson can really boast about THEIR Airport being a true friend to private flying as well as another of our local "Angels". Don't forget to stop here when you are going cross country; or come especially for an overnight stay at the Ron-Tel right on the airport, complete with swimming pool and restaurant. No such thing as a landing fee—just service with a Sunshine City smile.

The whole Chapter did such a terrific job this year I would have to list each member separately to give full credit. EVERYBODY works on a project of this magnitude, but one person still has to be "boss". We all get the credit when things go well but the "boss" gets the blame for all the blunders and has the constant worry about "what if?" So, our whole Chapter wants to say "Thanks for a job well done" to our



Patsy Brooks (sitting on wing), Chairman for Tucson Chapter's annual Penny-A-Pound Airlift, makes plans for the event with other Ninety-Nines. Left to right, Pat Nolen, Mary Martin, Shirley Marshall, Dorothy Jenkins, Byrd Granger, Maggie Schock and Virginia Edwards.

Chairman PATSY BROOKS. Nightly massage with a rich cream will eventually erase all those worry lines, PATSY.

We would also like to thank those wonderful hard working girls in Flagstaff for coming clear to Tucson for the third straight year to help us. BETH WRIGHT flew her 205 down Saturday afternoon so she would be on hand early Sunday, loaded with DOT WARD to spell her flying during the day and HELEN LAWRENCE, MARY ELLEN LIKEN and MARY GASSBEEK to help all of us run the ground operation. Where else could you get cooperation like that?

Our "Good Bird" party at PAT NO-

LEN's Casa each year is probably the biggest aviation party in Tucson. It is our way of saying "Thank You" to over 100 people who help us at Penny-a-Pound. LAURA BOHANAN draws our "Angel" for the invitation and had to send it to us from Michigan this year.

It is a very special job and I'm sure she would be glad to do one for your Chapter if you would write her.

One more word on P-A-P before we put it away for the year. The funds received go for Aerospace Education Material in the local schools and is matched by the State Aviation Commission, and for an aviation connected scholarship for a local girl. To encourage use of the material by the schools, we fly all teachers free. This year we flew 4500 pounds of them. Which shows teachers carry a lot of weight!

Two offspring of local 99s have recently soloed and are working hard toward their licenses. LEE MARSHALL, SHIRLEY's daughter, is wedging her time in between high school studies and PATSY BROOK's daughter, CAROL, soloed before returning to Stanford after vacation. She has joined a flying club at college and is really an enthusiastic student.

PLAN AHEAD

**International
Convention
and
Powder Puff Derby
1966
Seattle, Wash.**

Since FRANCES FRANCIS moved to Nogales she is doing more flying than ever. VIRGINIA EDWARDS and I flew down for a trek across the border and luncheon at her home recently and she was full of excitement about flying husband ROD to Phoenix each week so he could attend meetings. ROD's only complaint is that FRANCES spends all his money shopping while she waits to fly him home!

SHIRLEY MARSHALL has made another trip to Washington D. C., to attend a convention of the NEAC. This is always fun because she brings us back news of our WENDY BLANCHARD and former Tucson member ALICE FUCHS.

CAROL and DON EWING didn't meet any 99s in San Francisco when they flew there recently in the Cessna 150; but they did meet some pretty rude treatment when they landed at Oakland Municipal. Maybe you local Bay City girls could bring this to someone's attention. I'll bet a 99 Chapter in Oakland would change the whole attitude of the City.

LORRAINE YOCUM soon will be back in the air. The Bonanza engine is almost overhauled and will be flyable any day now.

One calls the NOLEN residence these days to ask, "MRS. NOLEN isn't home is she?" A negative approach perhaps but PAT is gone so much on flying business for husband TRULY that it is the logical question. Finally trapped her at the office between her almost twice weekly trips to San Diego and found she had managed to fly back to Cape May in August to pick up her children who had spent the summer with their grandparents. On the way home via Atlantic, Baton Rouge and Houston she found there was only two days between herself and a hurricane. In September a trip to El Paso put her there on the 16th, so she took in the festivities in Juarez, Mexico; this being their Independence Day. The NOLENS have a boat in San Carlos, Mexico, and as all this other flying is on business, PAT just couldn't stand flying to Mexico for pure pleasure. Now she sails and skindives while there collecting salt water fish for aquariums. This is a big hobby with her and she sells the fish wholesale in Tucson. SYLVIA and IRVING BARTZ are also frequent visitors to San Carlos in their Mooney. SYLVIA and PAT take movies of each other skindiving; almost drowning when they start laughing in their oxygen masks! When PAT was out

of town with the airplane recently I had to fly TRULY to Wilcox for a business luncheon. They will soon need His and Her airplanes.

We have a new member this month, MERSA CLARK. MERSA flies a 172 and jointed just in time to donate it to Penny-a-Pound. Welcome aboard, MER-SA. The rest of our year isn't as busy as October. I hope!

A recent guest at our meetings was BETTY BELLE INGWER. CARL INGWER, her husband, owns Mercury Aviation at Tucson International Airport, a good place to stop for service or a chat about Cessnas as they sell 'em and fly 'em by the dozens. BETTY BELLE was formerly a 99 in Texas and we do hope she will join us here in Tucson.

Last week the FAA presented a Physiological Seminar at the University of Arizona which dealt at length on the effects of oxygen, dysbarisms (look it up!) drugs, alcohol and fatigue. I especially liked DR. GIBBONS summation of drinking coffee after too

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much alcohol—"All you have is a wide awake drunk." It was very informative and dispelled a lot of misconceptions about oxygen and its use. Powder Puff Derby pilots please note: You do not have to worry about cream on your face or lipstick causing burns. Pure old-wives tale.

A final word to our girls in the Canadian area. Would you be kind enough to pass along our thanks for the nice letter from ARVAL NANAHOH? We can't locate her address and hate to seem ungrateful.

UTAH CHAPTER

Lucile Christopherson, Reporter

Talk about our prayer being answered! You would never have believed it unless you had been here to see it for yourself! The week before our Fall Sectional, scheduled for September 23, 24, 25 and 26, we received from four to 12 inches of snow in the valleys. It was so cold our beautiful gardens and flower beds were completely destroyed, except in covered areas. This was a

shock to all of us for it was at least three months earlier than usual. But, the following week — the week of the Sectional — the weather was perfect—blue skies, warm days and golden sunsets.

Approximately 57 planes with 130 visitors, including their partners, flew into the Salt Lake Airport and enjoyed a wonderful weekend planned by our Chapter. We had the Utah Motor Lodge scheduled for rooms and the meeting, luncheon and dinner were held at the Hotel Utah.

On Thursday evening those girls who arrived that afternoon, and cared to go, were taken to the new Valley Music Hall, located in North Salt Lake and there witnessed a wonderful evening of "Camelot". Others of the arrivals visited the University of Utah Theater for "Fantasy," while still other enjoyed the rehearsal of the Salt Lake Mormon Tabernacle Choir.

Friday morning we had a tour scheduled of the Beehive House and Temple Square which terminated at noon, after which the visitors were taken to the Salt Lake Airport to witness the terminus of the 49½ers race from Long Beach to Salt Lake City. Later, in the afternoon the group was taken to Park City (an old mining town which has been reactivated as a tourist attraction and marvelous ski area). At 6 p.m. a wonderful western barbecue was served after which the members had a delightful experience of seeing a Melodrama at the Silver Wheel Theater. We bussed back to Salt Lake City about 10:30 p.m.

Saturday morning busses left at 9 a.m. to view the huge storage vault located in Little Cottonwood Canyon, about 25 minutes from downtown Salt Lake, and on the return trip visited "This is the Place Monument" returning in time to enjoy the organ recital at the Tabernacle at noon. A lovely luncheon was enjoyed at the Sky Room of the Hotel Utah which was under the direction of LOUISE MORRISON.

Our business meeting was held in the Jade Room of the hotel and was attended by delegates from the various Chapters. During the business meeting the 49½ers were entertained through the courtesy of the husbands of the Utah Chapter girls.

At 7 p.m. we enjoyed a social hour in the Empire Room of the hotel, through the courtesy of the Star Dust Hotel of Las Vegas, MARK SWAIN as our host. Dinner was served at 8 p.m. to 178 participants with prizes galore and our

guest speaker was TOM JOHNSON of Western Air Lines. MERVIN GUSTAVSON of Fallon won the 49½er trophy with the Utah Chapter winning the Air-marking trophy.

Early Sunday morning several of our visitors enjoyed the Tabernacle Choir broadcast, had a late breakfast and departed for their various homes.

As a Chapter we want to say, "your stay was not long enough but we enjoyed the fun and the deeper friendships that were developed and also the spirit of the Convention. All we can say is COME AGAIN!"

Our thanks to all the Utah Chapter girls for their wonderful work and cooperation: Transportation was under the direction of NANCY REULING and LOIS FREDERICKSON, with the help of MAXINE NIELSON, MAURINE RICHARDS, CARYL KNOWLTON, and MARJORIE PETERSON; Accommodations, BONNIE YORK; Dinner JANE ANDREASON; Ditty Bags, MARJ MACKEY and PAT PANOS; Time-Clock at Cedar City, SALLY WELLS; Fruit (apples and grapes), LOUISE ANDERSON and husband; Program Covers, MARJ and DON MACKEY; Time Clock, SUE ELLIS and JANE ANDREASON with FRAN GUSTAVSON as official timer; and of course, to ALBERTA NICHOLSON and LYLE BECKSTRAND we are greatly indebted for their organization and ideas. Thanks again Utah Chapter—you came through 100 per cent.

During the week of September 6th we had as a visitor HELEN STODDARD of Anchorage. She was on a return ferry flight from the East where she picked up a new plane. Some may remember that a few years back she and her husband had a severe accident just east of Ely, Nev. HELEN was hospitalized but here she is back ferrying planes again! We love that "spunk"! This is what makes flyin', gals!

One of our former Utah 99s, JESSE CARTER, and her husband have just returned from an extended trip to Europe this past summer. Her daughter, CAROL, is living in England so it was a wonderful opportunity to get in such a trip.

Like the past president of the UN said, "One cannot stand by and say 'I'm through—I'll quit!' That is, not if you still have something of value to contribute."



Margaret Kentley, Governor

It sure has been quite a month for women pilots in Australia. 49½er LORD CASEY has been installed as Governor General of Australia, representing Her Majesty, QUEEN ELIZABETH II. This makes Her Excellency, LADY CASEY, the "First Lady in the Land" and we are just bursting with pride that she is one of us. As it is spring, we were able to send her a bouquet of native wild flowers including the unusual spikey Waratah, the N.S.W. State Emblem, on her arrival to take up residence in Canberra, A.C.T.

ROSEMARY ARNOLD became Australia's first licensed woman helicopter pilot. She is the mother of four young children and doesn't look more than a girl herself, she's wonderful!

BERYL YOUNG has been appointed leader of the team of four Avis pilots flying the United Nations Geophysicists on an aerial survey of the Solomon Islands, to determine the depth of the Earth's crust. Their three aircraft will carry almost half a million dollars worth of equipment and the work will entail a considerable amount of ocean flying of great precision for the most part of a year. This is a very great and well deserved achievement for one of our new 99s. They will be based at Guadalcanal.

Olga Tarling is Air Traffic Controller at Townsville, a busy northern, joint-user, airport for Airforce, Airlines and Private Pilots. The pace is such that she expects her red hair to turn silver, any day.

ROSALIND MERRIFIELD expects to be in Los Angeles again on 20th to make her 3rd Pacific crossing. How that girl sits for 12 hours and more at a time, alone in an Aztec, for those long ocean hops, is amazing and she steps out of her aircraft here in Sydney, after these flights of about 7,500 miles, looking as if she had just stepped out of a beauty parlour. She tells me she loves to see the vapour trails of the jet airlines overhead, a sure sign that she is on course. She has radio contact with each jet for about 100 miles, which greatly breaks the loneliness when there is nothing to see but ocean for hours after hour. She is also in almost constant

radio contact with CAPTAIN AHRENS in the other Aztec, on the same Avis delivery flight.

Three of our girls got married last month. LYNETTE CLANCY is now MRS. ARTHUR BUTLER; DIANA TREATT is now MRS. P. MADDOCKS; and from New Zealand, JENNIFER CRAIG is now MRS. FRAME. Welcome to three new 49½ers.

PEGGY KELMAN and MARGARET KENTLEY now both have young sons with Commercial Pilot Licenses, flying charter. Both boys, second generation pilots, brought up in a world of aviation.

NANCY WALTON, ROSEMARY ARNOLD and MARGARET KENTLEY were among the pilots, in about 50 aircraft, who flew from all directions, some 300/400 miles, to Griffith on the October long weekend for the Confederated Aero Clubs' National Aerobatic Championships, won again this year by South Australia. Nine women pilots joined in the fun which included a wonderful dinner for the trophy presentations. The last 150 miles of the trip home to Sydney VFR were rather trying because of the dense smoke from hundreds of drought induced, out of season, bush fires in the ranges which reduced visibility to a minimum. All good experience and quite exciting dodging around sudden walls of smoke! Now it has been raining for three days, so we hope the worst of the drought is over.

Last heard of, BEVERLY SHAW was still working at St. John's Hospital, Santa Monica, Calif. She writes us at great length, how wonderful the 99s are being to her on her journeys around the U.S.A. We thank you all very much.

Our Australian Section office bearers for the coming years are as follows: Governor, MARGARET KENTLEY (N.S.W.); Vice-Governor, BEVERLY SHAW (N.S.W.); Secretary, OLGA TARLING (QLD). We greatly thank our retiring Governor, TIMMIE TIVER, who has ably held an executive position for the past four years and hope that she will be able to spare some time, with or without that beautiful baby daughters of hers, for us to enjoy her company. FREDa THOMPSON we also thank for her advice and Chairmanship of our meetings, as our Vice-Governor for the past two years.

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Olga Farling, Secretary

I am taking advantage of a few spare moments to write a few lines for the next 99 News — deadline 20th No-

vember. I was recently elected the new Secretary for the Australian Section and MARGARET KENTLEY, the new Governor. Due to the fact that I am on a temporary transfer to Townsville in the North Queensland, in my capacity as an Air Traffic Control Officer with the Department of Civil Aviation, I seem to have become detached from all news in the Southern Centres. MARGARET KENTLEY was most kind in finalising all details as past Secretary and advised me she has forwarded all the latest news on our small Chapter and its limited activities, though each member leads quite an active individual existence.

Our most exciting news this year was the announcement that our most distinguished member, LADY MAIE CASEY, became the First Lady in the Land when her husband became the Governor General of Australia. LADY CASEY hopes to arrange a "fly-in" to Canberra next May for all our women pilots.

Should be an eventful year for us all. We hold our Annual General Meeting of the AWP in Melbourne in March. I am looking forward to attending both gatherings — though heaven knows where I will be next year. I recently gained a Grade 2 Radar position in Sydney which I may have to take up on my return from Townsville.

Was thrilled to meet, once again, our new member, BERYL YOUNG, on her way through to the Solomon Islands. BERYL and I are old flying friends from Southern Airline days when we both flew with a small feeder service in Victoria as Radio Operator/First Officer on Doves and Herons. Since those days in the late 1950's we both have taken different paths — myself to Air Traffic Control and BERYL to instructing. She spent some time with the Royal Victorian Aero Club and then two years at the Exeter Aero Club in England. On returning to Australia she became Chief Flying Instructor with the Cooma Aero Club in Southern New South Wales which is up in the snow country, Mt. Kosciusko only 30 minutes flying time from the field, 7,500 feet and a very tempting place to spend many flying hours.

As you probably know this large area is covered in immense dams and tunnels as the Snowy Mountains Hydro Electric Authority completes an impressive feat of harnessing all the melting snows to supply irrigation and power to vast country areas.



Rosemary Arnold, Australian 99, became Whirly-Girl No. 99 on October 11, 1965. She is pictured in the Hughes 269A in which she received her training and license. Photo by Mirror Newspapers Limited, Sydney, N. S. W. (ED NOTE: Rosemary's interesting account of 'chopper conquering is with Australian Section news.)

I manage to spend a few weeks over the last two years with BERYL at Cooma and we had some wonderful and interesting trips around the area.

Last month BERYL was given the position of Manager of Avis Rent-a-Plane in Perth Western Australia and her first assignment has been this eight months down in the Solomon Islands under contract to the United States to carry out a geophysical survey of this area, testing the depth of the Earth's crust. BERYL was accompanied by ROSALIND MERRIFIELD of Pacific flight fame. ROSALIND is also on her way to America again to ferry another

aircraft to Australia. They were flying a twin engine Piper Aztec.

It was great to see BERYL again and I am now looking forward to some interesting mail from the Solomon Islands.

I have been leading quite an interesting life as well these past three months. Since August I have been based at Garbutt Airfield, a large Royal Australian Air Force Base at Townsville. Here I work as an Area/Approach Controller in conjunction with a RAAF Tower Controller. We handle all military and civil movements to and from the field. It has been extremely busy with American Navy Skywarrior air-

craft here on survey work and our own Neptune Squadrons combining with RAF Schackletons and American Orions carrying out exercises on the Coral Sea.

Added to this we have regular civil air services and light aircraft training from the local Aero Club. To add a little further interest today we had a dust storm with visibility down to 2,000 yards.

Only three weeks to go and I return home. Should just make it for the pre-Christmas meeting of the Queensland Women Pilots.

From Rosemary Arnold

Dear 99s:

I've got some news I'm bursting with! Yesterday, Oct. 11th, I passed both practical and theory for my Private Helicopter License — this means I am the first Australian Woman Helicopter Pilot. I completed my 40 hours training in just five weeks, in a Hughes 269A, registered VH-GMD. I was rather hectic doing mostly three to four hours training a day, from 7 to 9 a.m. in the mornings and from 4 to 6 p.m. in the evenings and getting a baby sitter at these times was a problem. However, at 9 a.m. when coming back from training I used to get clearance to track via the school playgrounds so I could see if they got to school all right. One morning my youngest, ANGELA, who's 5, was waving to me while running and fell head over turkey. At 500 feet I felt quite useless.

Helicopter flying has been in my mind for a while but it seemed impossible and impractical to pursue a license, and only one person—a test pilot friend—encouraged me to go at it and try four hours for a start to see how I managed. So on September 1st, I started to make enquiries; I found a helicopter only five minutes drive from my home and owned by a private company. I met their Commercial Pilot and told him I wanted a license. He said, when do you want to start—now? I gulped, tried hard to look casual and said—sure! So with only 100 Pounds in my pocket, that is, enough for four hours and only one-tenth of the amount needed for a license I took my first flight and fell madly in love with helicopters. And so after a week I started my training in earnest and I typed letters till midnight searching for a sponsor or trying to raise the money to see me through, for by this time I realized I was in the running to be the first woman in the rotary wing field.



Competitors in the Ninety-Nines Trophy race, Summer 1965: L to R: Diana Barnato Walker, Janet Ferguson, Christine Hughes, Pamela Huntly, Anneliese Pinto, Beryl Sanders, Margo McKellar, Elizabeth Overbury, Sheila Scott.

This was something I determined to be. My instructor who is the most enthusiastic person I've met, encouraged me and inspired me to keep going and I often wondered if he and I would last the distance, for he was training me in his spare time and trying to cope with his job as Sales Manager with the company who owned the chopper, while I was trying to keep a household of six running smoothly, and not look tired.

And so I made it, although I haven't realized it yet and all I have is a dreadfully flat feeling and a huge debt to pay off. I ended up borrowing the balance of the money, and once I am through with my Commercial License on both fixed wing and helicopters I can start paying it back.

Both helicopters and instructors are difficult to get hold of in Australia, as both the machines and the men who fly them are in use constantly and can't be spared for instruction purposes. I was a lucky girl.

I soloed in the chopper after 10 hours dual instruction which was the result of sheer determination for at that time I

just had raised the 250 Pounds which was the amount to get me thus far and no further. And when the instructor would say, take a break you're tired, I'd say, no fear I'm O.K. (for I was thinking of every minute costing me eight shillings). It's disgusting to get so mercenary isn't it, but the thought of being stopped short of my goal because of money was always with me.

My thanks goes to DORIS MULLEN, whose photo I saw in the July-August Ninety-Nine News and it was this that really inspired me to get up and go after a license right there and then.

The photo is my favorite — you know, "how I'd like to think I look all the time" — and of course the high heels and dress were insisted upon by the Press, as you may understand. My license aroused quite a bit of press, radio and TV interest throughout all of Australia and across to New Zealand.

P.S. You may be wondering what happened to my aerobatic flying! Well it got shelved for a month and I still have till November to qualify for the Aerobatic Team. In the meantime I have five weeks to study hard for my fifth and last Commercial subject—Navigation.

The next determined thing I aim to do is get to the U. S. to meet you all.

Yours for the present "hors de combat,"

Rosemary

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BRITISH SECTION

Janet Ferguson, Reporter

First of all news of more awards. Three British Section members have recently won awards for achievements in aviation in 1964. SHEILA SCOTT received the Brabazon Cup for winning outright the Ladies Cup in the Sicily Air Rally. ELIZABETH OVERBURY won the Jean Lennox Bird Trophy for her consistent hard work in aviation and high quality of her flying; and BERYL SANDERS won the O. P. Jones Cup for her contribution to the sport of gliding. Many congratulations from the rest of us!

Other news this month:

SHEILA SCOTT spent the week with PAMELA HUNTLY in the South of France before flying PAM's Comanche home. Since then SHEILA has made another quick trip to the U.S. Our governor certainly gets around!

BETTY CONES has been sampling the flying game again after a bit of a lapse — she's been flying a Cessna 150 off the new runway at Southhampton Airport to get the hours for renewal of her license.

GILLIAN GAZALET and I found ourselves at Blackpool in the North of England the day of a recent business meeting at SHEILA's flat in London. GILLIAN and her survey crew were night stopping with the Rapide and I was already up there doing some oblique photography flying for the same company. We both had to miss the meeting of course, where I gather plans were discussed for the forthcoming Thanksgiving Eve Party.

Finally, we welcome three new members:

THEA ADAMS is the youngest Ninety Nine in the British Section. She holds the private license which she started to work for when she was 17, in her school holidays. She has been training in Air Traffic Control at Middleton St. George Airport, and has very recently joined the Royal Air Force, where she will continue with her Air Traffic Control training as well as some flying. She is also working for her commercial and instructors license.

DAWN TURLEY has the British Private License and has been flying for

a number of years. She is married to Flight Lieutenant ALAN TURLEY of the R.A.F. and they own a Proctor aircraft which they race frequently as a man and wife team with considerable success. They also use it for touring and entering foreign rallies.

JOAN WAUGH has a British Private License and is well known in air racing circles. She has a single seater "Turbulent" aircraft which she has flown all over Europe as well as racing. She takes it in turn with her 49½er, BILL, to act as baby sitter while the other flies!



CONNECTICUT CHAPTER

Ruth P. Buckley, Reporter

The date was October fourteenth. The Connecticut Chapter held a business meeting with luncheon at Guilford, Connecticut. Presiding over the meeting was our newly elected chairman CHRIS WINZER. Present at the meeting were PEG DAVIDSON, NANCY GHEN, MARY HORTON, CYNTHIA KEMPER, JO MASSEY, BABS MCALEENAN, ELAINE MCCABE, EVELYN MURCH, ELLEN PURDY, BETTY SAGAN and SHARON SIMMONS. When one considers our total membership, this assembly of Ninety-Nine members is a worthy number.

SHARON SIMMONS, who is our Activities Chairman worked with the officers to give us all a purposeful year. The Chapter has created for itself an eventful schedule of activities. In the fall and winter months, we travel to Grumman Aircraft, Bethpage, New York. Our holiday party at the new home (in New Canaan) of MARY

and KEN HORTON will be a festive time. 1966 will direct our efforts toward a proposed Penny-A-Pound activity for late Spring. The Avco Corporation of Stratford has booked the Chapter as tour guests on January 11.

GINNY and DICK CARRICATO, JERRY and HENRY GARDINER with guests attended the New England Section held at Westover AFB. Also flying to Massachusetts were ELLEN and TOM PURDY, MARILYN and JOHN HUBBELL, SHARON and GENE SIMMONS with their guests CHRIS WINZER and from New Haven PEG DAVIDSON, JO MASSEY and EVELYN MURCH.

While SHARON and GENE SIMMONS and guests flew over to Long Island, the trio of RUTH BUCKLEY, CYNTHIA KEMPER and CHRIS WINZER flew over to the New York-New Jersey Fall Sectional Meeting held in the areas of Air Route Control Centers and MacArthur Airport.

RUTH and BOB BUCKLEY were down New Jersey way early October. TETA and BOB GUNTER have been scheduling trips. CHRIS, after visiting the Plantation Party in Nevada, flew about the Southwest. CYNTHIA KEMPER and BUD with loving care have been recovering the T-Craft. I've been out to the barn myself and watched the transformation of the plane over the months as it passed along from the fresh cotton to the red and white finish and markings. There is more to be done. While the process of metamorphosis takes place RUTH (BUCKLEY) and CYNTHIA take to the sky in a 150. RUTH, CYNTHIA and CHRIS shared the sentiments of our International President, ALICE ROBERTS, as she spoke at the Fall Sectional Meeting in New York. SHARON and GENE SIMMONS listened, too, as we realized the hiatus that can be supplied by communication. This matter of communication will again come to the attention of the membership of the Connecticut Chapter as they each read the welcome abroad letter mailed to them from Ninety-Nine Headquarters at Oklahoma City.

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EASTERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER

Lois Auchterlone, Reporter

The Fall Meeting for New England Section was held at Westover AFB, Massachusetts, on October 9 with 49

people attending — 35 Ninety-Nines! After a briefing by LT. KNIER, a tour of a KC-135 refueling aircraft, the SAC flight line, and Command Post, we returned to the Officer's Club for luncheon and a new SAC film. Special guests were MRS. Yael ROM, International Member at Large from Israel, and COLONEL WM. C. McCLURE, USAF Air Advisor to the Mass. Air Nat'l Guard. New Section officers are Governor, PAT RUSSELL; Vice-Governor, ALMA GALLAGHER; Secretary, ISABEL BLODGETT; and Treasurer, PEG DAVIDSON.

COL. McCLURE surprised our Governor by presenting her with a "sham-rock" pin for her successful forced landing at the finish of the 1965 AWNEAR at Burlington, Vermont. He started this tradition when one airplane had two forced landings in the '64 AWNEAR held at Westfield — both landings successful!

The Section Meeting was hosted by this Chapter, and plaudits and thanks are in order to CHRIS SEAV-ER's committee (PAT JONES, HARRIETT ABBOTT, FRAN PORTER and HELEN HASSEY, and our 99 member CAPT. MARGARET McFARLIN at Westover, for arrangements.

In September, the Eastern New England Chapter flew into Norwood Airport and had luncheon at the Iron Horse Restaurant. After a meeting busy with Fall Section plans, CHRIS SEAV-ER installed the new Chapter officers, FRAN PORTER, Chairman; MILDRED DOREMUS, Vice Chairman; GERTRUDE McGRATH, Secretary; and DOROTHY PULIS, Treasurer. As a token of much appreciation for a 'job well done', the Chapter presented CHRIS SEAV-ER with a silver 99 Compass Rose pin. As Chairman, CHRIS successfully guided a new and shaky chapter to a solid start in the right direction. Besides the multitude of items that require the Chairman's personal attention, CHRIS found time to get both her son and daughter married, hold down a demanding job, fly two AWNEAR's and one IAR, become a grandmother — and never missed a 99 meeting!

The Chapter welcomes aboard two new members — POLLY ANNIS of Andover was 'pinned' in August, and ALLEGRO OSBORNE of Topsfield, Mass., was pinned in November. Since January, the Chapter has enjoyed a 20% increase in membership.

The fall 'color' of New England was vibrant the day our first 'airmarker'

was painted at Groton, Mass. MILLIE DOREMUS, Airmarking Chairman, made arrangements for the school roof (but not the 30-40 mph wind). Any extra polka dots and stripes on the letters (outlined in black yet) were unintentionally windblown — to say nothing of sox, pants, jackets, etc. FRAN PORTER, HELEN HASSEY, LOIS AUCHTERLONIE, CHRIS SEAV-ER and GERTRUDE McGRATH shared sore muscles with MILLIE. Our thanks to ROY McGRATH who kept us supplied with hot coffee!

PAT JONES is sporting a new commercial ticket — congratulations!

RIPLEY MILLER and husband flew with friends to the AOPA Plantation Party in Las Vegas — reports a wonderful time. ISABEL BLODGETT visited her daughter and family in Ireland in September. After closing their respective summer camps, DOROTHY and CLICK PULIS toured Europe in October while their Cessna 170 was being 'rejuvenated'.

The Chapter is delighted to have Yael ROM, International Member at Large, visit our 99 meetings and activities while she is living in this country for a few months.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER

Hope Rieble, Reporter

I received my multi-engine rating in a Twin Comanche at our local airport (Northern Airways in Burlington, Vt.). Last spring they sponsored a Cherokee 180 for the AWNEAR in which we placed 4th.

The October issue of Air Facts has an article, written by LEIGHTON COLLINS, on our Fly-in Resort, Savage Island, in Lake Champlain. We have a 2800' strip, 2 cottages available and more going up next year.

Hope to bring you up to date on Chapter activities next time.

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Welcome and Congratulations to our new Garden State Chapter

GARDEN STATE CHAPTER

Nancy Smyth, Reporter

On September 26, 1965, a group of licensed women pilots of New Jersey met and formed the new Garden State Chapter of the 99s. The slate of officers for the year are: Chairman — GAY D. MAHER, Vice-Chairman — MARY ROSE MYERS, Secretary — NANCY SMYTH, Treasurer — MARY JUNE LOCH. The members of this new Chapter are CATHERINE BASTIANELLI, GERTRUDE S. DENNIS, MARY ELIZABETH DIXON, ELLEN A. ELLIS, ANNETTE GINSBURG, RUTH V. HILL, MARY JUNE LOCH, GAY D. MAHER, VIRGINIA M. MINOR, BARBARA A. MORRISON, MARCIA J. MUSSON, FAYE STRICKLER, MARY ROSE MYERS, LESLIE C. RASMUSSEN, NANCY SMYTH, JERRY B. ROBERTS, and FLOENCE WALSH.

On October 10th our Chapter was presented to us by our International President, ALICE ROBERTS, at a luncheon at Flying W Ranch, Medford, N.J. Other 99s who graciously attended were DORIS RENNINGER, Governor of the New York-New Jersey Section; MARIE D'ALTERIO, Governor of the Middle East Section; JEWEL VOM SAAL, Chairman of the Greater New York Chapter; ELLIE McCULLOUGH, Chairman of the Long Island Chapter. COLONEL FRANCIS R. GERARD, Chief of the New Jersey Bureau of Aeronautics, was the guest speaker.



Charter Presentation to Garden State Chapter of the 99s on October 10, 1965 by Alice Roberts, International President. Left to right: Jerry B. Roberts, Marcia J. Musson, Florence Walsh, Doris Renninger, Gay D. Maher, Colonel Francis R. Gerard, Chief of N. J. Bureau of Aeronautics, Alice Roberts, Mary June Loch, Mary Rose Myers, Nancy Smyth, Barbara A. Morrison, Catherine Bastianelli.

The New York-New Jersey Section meeting on Long Island on October 16th was attended by as many of our members who could make it. The Section gave engraved gavels to each Chapter which is the start of a charming tradition.

On November 7th we had a very interesting luncheon meeting at Lake-wood Airport, hosted by FLORENCE WALSH. MR. B. S. VAN ARTS-DALEN, General Aviation Inspector for the F.A.A., spoke to us on maintenance and winter operations. A business meeting followed at which time we planned the activities for the year. Meetings planned of special interest are Shore Party (using to advantage our location on the Atlantic Ocean), a Fly Around, and a Flying Treasure Hunt. More details to follow on these events.

GREATER NEW YORK CHAPTER

Charlette M. McCollum, Reporter

Chairman JULIE VOM SAAL did manage to pick a most interesting night for our November meeting. She did, in fact, apparently go to great lengths to insure us a nice, cozy, candle-lit dinner at Ferdi's Restaurant in New York City on Tuesday, November 9th — that's right — the night of the big black-out. After going to all that trouble, JULIE, it's a shame you had

to miss being with us. The seventeen fearless souls who made it through the murky darkness were members AVIS BAYARD, BARBARA BRO-THERTON, MINA ELSCHNER, MAR- GUERITE LAUDENSLAGER, IRENE KEITH, ELEANOR LOIJA, DOLORES MADDEN, CHARLOTTE MCCOLLUM, PAT WILSON, and AGGIE ZWEIDEN- GER; prospective members RUTH FORCE, DOT KIRBY and JULIE WIL- SON; and guests MARIE DUBROR from Japan, DR. SHIRLEY SIEW from So. Africa, and INA WEISS. Also present was CHRIS WINZER, our guest speaker for the evening. CHRIS is a flight instructor from the Con- necticut Chapter with all sorts of rat- ings and did a marvelous job answer- ing our questions on various aspects of flight and instrument instruction, flight planning, and the like. Thank

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you very much, CHRIS. You made it a worthwhile evening for all of us.

PAT WILSON, my 49½er and I had a most enjoyable luncheon at the Flying W Ranch with SHEILA SCOTT, British Section Governor. I had not previously met SHEILA and found her to be most charming and interesting. I understand SHEILA saw several of the girls while in the New York Area.

Congratulations go to BARBARA BROTHERTON, who recently traded her beloved Cherokee for a 1934 Comanche 250; and to AVIS BAYARD, who just accepted delivery on a new Cherokee 140. Happy flying, girls, and take it easy, AVIS—a new baby following so soon after a new airplane is going to keep you mighty busy.

BARBARA and TOM BROTHERTON are expecting to leave around the 20th for Mexico and the Mexican Treasure Hunt. Should be an interesting "maiden voyage" for their new place. We're expecting you to come in in first place, BARBARA.

Was happy to hear that IRENE KEITH is now a full-fledged dispatcher—one of the two women dispatchers—with Pan American Airlines. We all wish you the best of luck, IRENE.

GLORIA HEATH has become consultant to the Cornell-Guggenheim Aviation Safety Center. GLORIA will develop programs like the Downed Aircraft Position Locator system, and improvements of aviation safety with respect to Flight Instructors.

SALLY BUEGELEISEN now has a permanent column in FLYING magazine entitled "Skirts Flying". Congratulations, SALLY — and keep up the good writing.

Section Governor DORIS RENNINGER left the day after the Black-out for Palm Springs, California, to attend the International Aeroclassic held November 11 to 14, then to Phoenix to spend some time with ALICE ROBERTS. DORIS expects to be home around the 20th.

GALE BROWNLEE was one of the first aircraft to locate a downed Cessna 310 in heavily wooded area back in October. GALE and YVETTE HORTMAN have been busy flying their own planes to various airports, promoting the DRU ALLISON "Fashions in the Air" dress collection.

Our Treasurer says get busy with your raffle tickets, girls. The drawing will be in January. And our checking account is hungry.

I hope I saw you all at the Christmas Party December 11th.



On behalf of the NY-NJ Section, Doris Renninger, Governor, welcomed the new Long Island Chapter. Accepting the Charter from Alice Roberts, International President is Ellie McCullough, Chairman. Presentation was made during the Section Meeting, October 16, 1965, held on Long Island.

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Long Island
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**LONG ISLAND CHAPTER
Honey Kate Trattler, Reporter**

October sixteenth was C. A. V. U. — just about perfect for Long Island's chapter day — which began with the New York-New Jersey Fall Section Meeting at Long Island-MacArthur Airport. Quite a few 99s flew in — and everyone gathered for coffee at the FAA Center near the airport. JIM BOYLE, Chief of the Air Route Traffic Control Center welcomed us with a film and briefing on the Center, and a tour of the facility — the world's busiest — a fascinating experience! DORIS RENNINGER presided over a

brief business meeting afterward — during which JULIE VOM SAAL announced Greater New York Chapter's generous gift — \$25 for the new Long Island Chapter's treasury. Much appreciated.

Our installation luncheon was held at Land's End Inn, a short drive away. President ALICE ROBERTS, guest of honor, awarded the AMELIA EARHART medal to PAT WILSON, retiring Greater New York Chairman; introduced JULIE VOM SAAL as her successor, GAY MAHER as the new Garden State Chapter Chairman and ELLIE McCULLOUGH as the Long Island Chapter Chairman.

Our Chapter was presented simply and impressively. ELLIE then introduced all the Chapter Members, and gave five new 99s their pins. The afternoon ended after guest speaker JAMES PYLE, Director of the Aviation Development Council, offered congratulations and spoke of the Council's aims and how the 99s could participate in them.

There are sixteen Charter Members of our chapter. Eleven of us are transferees from the Greater New York Chapter; and five of us are brand new: Chairman ELLIE McCULLOUGH is

a sport parachutist, a past Chairman of the Greater New York Chapter and International Historian for the 99s.

Vice-Chairman MARJORIE M. GRAY was a WASP and ferry pilot, former Governor of N. Y. - N. J. Section and recipient of the Hay Trophy for aviation achievement in 1957.

VIOLA GENTRY, a Charter Member of the 99s, established the first solo endurance record in 1928. She is a past recipient of the Lady Hay Drummond-Hay Trophy, and a nominee for the D. C. Wing's 1965 Tiny Broadwick award.

Secretary DOROTHY BOCK has been flying since 1958, logging time in her Luscombe 8E "Sassy".

RITA GIBSON is Treasurer, mother to six children, and a past Chairman of the Long Beach, California, Chapter.

Chairman of the Membership Committee is DORIS ABBATE, who married her flight instructor and now does quite a bit of x-country flying, family style.

BARBARA EVANS is a former governor of the N.Y.-N.J. section and has served as past International Treasurer, Secretary, and Executive Committee Member.

NANCY GRAHAM is a flight instructor who also holds commercial glider and helicopter ratings. She writes now, and has had articles published in leading magazines.

DOROTHY JULICH, a flight instructor and air taxi service pilot has well over 7,500 hours to her credit.

HELEN ELLIOTT, Chairman of the 66s, has recently returned to flying after a sabbatical.

ESTHER HILL comes from Norway and drives a school bus as well as an airplane.

The new 99s:

ANNA MARIE DIETRICH is a sport parachutist and flies her own Ercoupe.

RUTH DOBRESKUS hobbies include sewing as well as flying — Science teacher BARBARA HOMEYER enjoys riding and painting and has also made some parachute jumps — LILA HOWARD is a dental hygienist and a ham radio operator, and reporter HONEY KATE TRATTLER is a portrait painter who flies her own Beech Debonair.

WESTERN NEW YORK CHAPTER Terri Pirrung, Reporter

Our October meeting was held November 18th at the Charter House Motel with 15 members, 49½ers and guests present. Guest Speaker was LT. COL.

THOMAS HUDDLESTON, Professor of Aero-Space Studies at the State University of New York at Buffalo. His topic as "ROTC on the College Campus". Most of us found out how very little we really know about ROTC. The Col. also showed us a good film about Cape Kennedy. It was a most interesting evening. Attending were ETHEL FEDDERS, PEG and AL WAHL, DORIS and HERB CULP and daughter MERRILEE who is a prospective pilot when her education is finished, DORITA NORTON, NAOMI and JIM MEEKER, yours truly and 49¼er, student pilot LINDA EVELO and husband WAYNE and member - to - be ADELE ZIMMERMANN who is a new private pilot of four weeks.

DORITA NORTON told us she expects her work at the Institute will take her to Russia sometime next year. Lucky girl! NAOMI MEEKER had just returned from a flight to Oklahoma City where she visited her ailing father. While there she spent some time with the gals at Headquarters.

PEG WAHL reported on the Fall Section Meeting and told us we missed some very interesting doings. What a pleasant surprise it was when she presented the engraved gavel to Chairman DORITA. We certainly do thank the Section Officers. This is so much nicer than a store bought one that we have been meaning to get for so long.

I am sad to report that JEAN MUTHLER has left Buffalo for a new job in the Washington, D.C., area. ETHEL set up a little impromptu luncheon for JEAN two days before moving day. Good luck JEAN and happy flying. Do let us hear from you.

Our November meeting will be held on December 1st at the Airport Cloud Room with American Airlines presenting a program consisting of a flight dinner, a film about their jets and a tour thru a 727 cabin and cockpit. The December meeting will be a Christmas party on the 22nd at LORRI and GEORGE MOORE's house. Our program committee is doing a right fine job.

AE Scholarship Deadline January 15th



CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Marion Dunlap, Reporter

We had a wonderful meeting Saturday, November 13, at Williamsport, Pa. We were chauffeured from the Williamsport Airport to the West gate of Lycoming Motors where we had a guided tour of Lycoming Motors a division of Avco Corp. We learned a lot about the manufacture and assembling of aircraft engines. One of the highlights were the testing rooms where the engines are carefully checked and tested. We had a great showing of 49½ers who were interested in the tour. We had lunch at the Holiday Inn where we were welcomed with our name in lights on their billboard.

After lunch one of our visitors from the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter, MERLE CHALOW, gave a talk on the Powder Puff Derby explaining the rules, regulations and the excitement, making all of us feel that we would like to participate some time whether it be pilot, co-pilot or ground crew. The attendance at this meeting by members, prespective members and visitors was very encouraging to all and a tribute to HELEN SHEFFER who planned the occasion.

We have been fortunate to have our local paper run a feature story for us giving the history and aims of The Ninety-Nines, Inc. This comes at a time when it should be a great help to us, as a new Chapter, in recruiting all interested pilots.

Our next meeting will be a dinner dance Friday, December 10, 1965, at The Centre Hills Country Club, State College, Pa.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Caroline Bregler, Reporter

The Eastern Penna. Chapter of the Ninety-Nines are having growing pains — at the October Section Meeting, President ALICE ROBERTS presented the Charter to the New Central Pennsylvania Chapter which hangers the following: HAZEL BARTOLET, CAROLYN HARBOLIS, HELEN SHEFFER,

CAROL SMITH and GINNY SWISHER. On the following day ALICE ROBERTS presented the Charter to the Garden State Chapter at the Flying W Ranch. This Chapter will become part of the New York-New Jersey Section. Ninety-Nines from the New Jersey area leaving our Chapter to become a part of this new Chapter are CATHERINE BASTINELLI, GERTRUDE DENNIS, HELEN ELLIS, MARY JUNE LOCH, GAY MAHER, BARBARA MORRISON, MARCIA MUSSON, MARY MYERS, JERRY ROBERTS, FLORENCE WALSH and FLORENCE YOUNG. Good luck to both new Chapters.

The October Sectional was held in Philadelphia and the Eastern Penna. Chapter was host for the gala occasion. Out of town Ninety-Nines began to arrive Friday evening and made headquarters at the Ben Franklin Hotel, where they met with the local Ninety-Nines for dinner and a friendly gab session. A business meeting was held Sunday morning and MARIE D'ALTERIO presented FAY GILLIS WELLS a merit award for her achievements. After the business meeting all Ninety-Nines and guests proceeded to the quaint "1700" restaurant which is located along the Delaware River for lunch. RACHEL HOPKINS, Chairman in Charge of the Activities for the Sectional, and her committee did an excellent job to make this a memorable meeting.

Please note the following change of addresses: MISS MARGARET M. BOREK, Dominican Novitiate, Ashbourne Road & Juniper Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa. 10117. PEGGY, who recently entered the Convent would enjoy receiving mail from Ninety-Nines; and MRS. ARLENE I. FELDMAN, P. O. Box 214, Ft. Montgomery, New York 10922.

ANNE WINDSOR on her recent trip to the Rockford Fly-in met ALICE HAMMOND who transferred to the Chicago area. ALICE was manning a booth at the Fly-in. Also, ANNE is still excited over her ride in Breezie which she said is properly named.

ANNE SHIELD and HELEN ZUBROW who have the Race Fever, have just returned from the Michigan Air Race which they completed in and they say is run very efficiently.

Welcomed as a new member is JANICE MUNTS.

Recently the Chapter airmarked the

Logan Airport, Ninety-Nines and 49½ers manning the paint brushes were CASS and SAM BASTINELLI, BETH and CLYDE STURTEVANT, BARBARA and BILL MORRISON, JERRY and HAL ROBERTS, and KATE and MATT MACARIO.

Last heard of LOUIS SACCHI was that she was ferrying a plane to Guam.

JERRY and HAL ROBERTS have been flying to Vermont regularly where HAL has been soaring.

NANCY DIEMAND was a guest speaker at the dedication of the Central Bucks County Airport in Doylestown, Penna.

CONNIE WOLF was presented an award by the Penna. Aviation Trade Association at their annual meeting at High Point Inn, Mt. Ponoco, Penna.

Don't forget to mark December 11th in your date book. The Chapter Christmas party will be held on that date at the Valley Forge Golf Club. Contact KATE MACARIO for reservations.

Merry Christmas to all from the Eastern Penna. Chapter.

WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER Mary "Mitzi" M. Keller, Reporter

The hot line from Washington, D. C. really keeps a reporter and Chapter in the air, what with LBJ's operation, Royal Visitors, Cuban Refugees, burning cruise ship, and airline mishaps. Yes, we read all this in the newspapers, but our big news is good flying weather and many safe and exciting trips flown by our local girls: Yours truly, a trip to Las Vegas with VELTA BENN, LAURA ZERENER, NANCY LYMAN and my 49½er was truly a flight to

remember. The awesome beauty of the Grand Canyon, Salt Lake City, Boulder Dam, make us envy the 99s who live out west.

Next on the calendar was a most successful Middle East Section Meeting in Philadelphia, Pa., in October. President ALICE ROBERTS presented a Charter to our newest Chapter in our Section, Central Pennsylvania Chapter. Six D. C. Chapter girls flew up for the two day meeting. There was EVELYN SIZEMORE and VIRGINIA THOMPSON in a Cherokee 180, HEDI JAFFE and RUTH FRECKELTON in HEDI's plane, DORIS WHITE, her husband and baby in their plane. Others attending were FAY WELLS, who received a citation for her work in connection with the AMELIA EARHART Commemorative Stamp. Plenty of door prizes, a trip to 1700 Waterfront Restaurant, Colonial Village, a village so reminiscent of Ben Franklin days. Then there was the Powell House, historic landmark and famous Alley in Philadelphia inhabited as in early years. Our Chairman, JO EDDLEMAN, also attended the Section meeting.

Our Chapter is well represented on the Women's Advisory Committee (five from D. C. Chapter) and all attended the meeting in San Francisco in October. General Wm. McKEE addressed the group. Courtesy rides were given in the hovercraft, which skims over the water, carrying 15 passengers and can be used as a commuter in large bay areas.

On the go are IOLA MOMBRUM, being transferred to Hawaii; LIBBY NATCHER leaving for Florida to take over Sarasota 5 O'Clock Flying Service with her husband; VIRGINIA THOMPSON to Ohio to visit her mother; HEDI JAFFE just back from a flying trip to Vienna, Austria, to take care of her uncle's funeral. On her way home HEDI stopped in London, England, and visited a girl friend whom she had not seen in 23 years. JEAN ROSS HOWARD returning from Baltimore Convention for Flying Doctors, where she presented an article "Rx Hospital Heliport" which will appear in Modern Hospital Magazine. A movie was made in Baltimore, Md., in color, showing quick and safe removal from an accident scene the injured to hospitals, etc., by helicopter. Time saved could save lives quicker than waiting

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International Convention and Powder Puff Derby 1966 Seattle, Wash.

for service by ambulance and snarled traffic right-of-way. The movie is available for showing at a Chapter meeting. Time approx. 10 minutes.

UP-GRADING: HAZEL DWIGGINS, Blue Seal; and VELTA BENN, a citation at the Instructors Clinic, Richmond, Va., in October. Also voted the prettiest girl attending. NONA QUARLES to handle Women's Aviation Activities in FAA's Office of General Aviation Affairs. The Whirly-Girls: No. 100 is the Weather Girl on TV Station, Evansville, Ind. and the No. 99 is a 99 from Australia, Rosemary Arnold.

Our Sick List: Quite heavy this month, HELEN MURPHY in Bethesda Naval Hospital, NELLIE JACKSON down with the flu, LAURA ZERENER sick since her trip to Las Vegas and our Chairman JO EDDLEMAN out with laryngitis.

Last on the List: Patuxent Naval Test

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Center, Patuxent, Md., Fly-In. This was one of the best planned programs from start to finish that I have ever attended. The weather in the morning was IFR so 36 99s from as far as Wilmington, Del., drove in, since the base could not clear IFR conditions at this Test Center. The tour started with CMDR. MURPHY showing space suit and all the material needed to man a successful test center, then lunch at the Officers Club. Afternoon's tour, under the guidance of CMDR. LYMAN, included simulated aircraft landings to actual demonstration. Although HELEN MURPHY was sick in the hospital, her little daughter, LISA, carried on with Dad, BILL MURPHY. NANCY LYMAN and her test pilot husband, DON, along with the rest of the base VIP's really made us live flying.



Above is the attractive 3.5-oz. tumbler which has been developed by the Western Washington Chapter of Ninety-Nines as a sale item. Initially, proceeds will be applied toward the expenses of the 1966 Powder Puff Derby and International Convention in Seattle. The glasses sell for \$6.00 for a set of 8, which includes shipping. The design, which is baked in and will not wear off, is in blue. Order from Dottie Daub, 16419 Des Moines Way South, Seattle, Wash.

Items For Sale

KEY CHAINS—Bronze finish with 99 monogram on front. International Organization of Women Pilots around rim on back, with middle suitable for engraving. \$2.75 ppg. Make checks payable to Minnesota 99s. Send to Helen Masterson, 3228 48th Ave. So., Minneapolis, Minn. 55406.

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