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DEADLINE FOR NEWS—
The 20th of the Month

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President's Column

Spring is here and with it all the sunshine, flowers and nice things that seem to go with it. But don't let "spring fever" keep you from doing those tasks . . . reporting, attending your Section Meeting, voting and making plans for Convention.

The Amelia Earhart Trustees are working on the Scholarship awards and all of us are anxiously awaiting word on the winners. Then the thought crossed my mind . . . how disappointed we would be if there was no award! HAVE YOU SENT IN YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE AE FUND? Wouldn't it be a little embarrassing if someone from YOUR Chapter won . . . and you hadn't contributed anything?? Send in your checks right away — thanks!

Our Flight 99 is turning on base leg and the tower has told us to "continue our approach". You know that this is not the time to get lazy and turn loose of the controls. Even though the airport is in sight, we must be alert and thinking. So keep alert by getting your delegates elected to represent you at Convention, instruct them in the thinking of your Chapter. If you don't take an active part in expressing your-

self, then don't complain when things don't go to please you.

My congratulations to the following Chapters: British Section, Greater New York, Long Island, Memphis, Chicago Area, Greater Kansas City, Michigan, San Antonio, Montana, Fallon, Las Vegas, San Diego and Tucson. These Chapters have not missed one issue of the News! There has been an article from them every time! There are quite a few Chapters that have missed only one issue . . . but I felt that these particular Chapters should be recognized. Keep up the good work!!

We have added 386 NEW members to our organization this year with 106 of them being in the Southwest Section. Have you added a member to your Chapter? Surely you know someone who, with a little encouragement, would like to be a 99. Wouldn't it be great if every Chapter could report a membership addition at Convention? Let's try! Communicate!

SEE YOU IN SEATTLE!!!! That's the place where we can attend the annual International Convention AND see the start of the AWTAR!

Happiness is "greasing it on".

Alice Roberts.

VIGNETTE

So — last fall, Editor Young wrote that President Roberts was thinking of featuring a Board-Member-a-Month in the News. Dottie suggested I get it done, and include a bit about our recent trip to Germany. I said, "Fine" —but her whip didn't quite reach from Oklahoma City and I didn't do it. Last week — "PREZ" used her lariat clear from Phoenix and said "Do it" — and here I am.

Johnny and I flew to Germany with good friends from Phoenix, including their 19 year old daughter, who is our God daughter. Had a great boat trip on the Rhine seeing all the castles and old fortresses. Then flew to Munich to be met by Johnny's brother and family—stationed in Oberammergau in the Bavarian Alps, where he is Commandant of the U. S. Army School Europe. It must be one of the most delightful valleys in the world—peaceful and beauty beyond any comprehension. My brother-in-law expressed it



Donna T. Myers, International Vice-President. (Photo by Aurora Photographers, Aurora, Colo.)

in one word — "Gemutlichkeit", which translated means something like, 'cozy, contentment, comfortable, and love-everybody'. Alps went right up from their back yard. We had planned to make many trips from their home—but we decided to take daily ones as we just couldn't tear ourselves away from all that beauty. Each day we could see a new castle, palaces, trips to the tops of mountains on the ski tows. Did take a 3 day trip to Switzerland—got homesick and returned to O'Gau a day early. Oberammergau is the home of the Passion play—toured the theater—this play is given only every ten years. We were fortunate enough to meet the man who played the Christus in 1950 and 1960 — and we are so enthusiastic, we all hope to return for the play in 1970.

Took my Ninety - Nine roster and marked all members who might be near — and I am sorry I never was that near any of them—or even able to call them.

Personal history: Became a 99 Member-at-Large in 1939. Helped start the Colorado Chapter in 1941. Dates me—but was first woman in Colorado to hold a license. Worked as a secretary at a Denver flight school to earn flight time where I met Johnny Myers, an aerial photographer for the Forestry Service, and married him in 1939. Johnny meanwhile acquired his commercial and instructor ratings, gave up the aerial photography job to instruct for Ray Wilson, Inc. Our boss moved his flight family to Chickasha, Oklahoma, during the War to operate an Army Primary Flight School — later we returned to Denver where the boss inaugurated an airline —now known as Frontier Airlines.

49½er Johnny and I were with the airline when it started — he is now Director of Flight Operations. I retired in 1951 to become a housewife—which is a bit of a joke among friends and Frontier's Personnel Office, who say I am the most permanent temporary employed secretary they have—seems I am called back to fill in for vacations and as extra help.

Since I "retired", my husband states he can't keep me home—I fly anywhere, anytime I can.

Hobbies: We are avid automobile race fans, will attend our 12th "500" race in Indianapolis this year, go to the Phoenix races twice a year and

Coming Events

April 15, 16, 17, 1966
SOUTHWEST SECTION
SPRING MEETING
Las Vegas, Nevada

April 15, 16, 17, 1966
NORTH CENTRAL SECTION
SPRING MEETING
Lake Ozark, Missouri

April 16, 1966
NORTHWEST SECTION
SPRING MEETING
Everett, Washington

April 17-24, 1966
FLORIDA AIR TOUR
Departs Tallahassee, Fla.

May 6, 7, 8, 1966
SOUTHEAST SECTION
SPRING MEETING
Dallas Bay Sky Park
Hixson, Tennessee

May 6, 7, 1966
N. Y. - N. J. SECTION
SPRING MEETING
Garden State Chapter, Hostess
Princeton, New Jersey

May 7 & 8, 1966
SPECIAL FLY-IN
CANBERRA, A.C.T., AUSTRALIA
at the invitation of
His Excellency the Governor General of Australia and Lady Casey

May 20, 21, 22, 1966
SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION
SPRING MEETING
Denver, Colo.

May 21, 1966
AWNEAR
Burlington, Vermont
Sponsored by
New England Section

June 11, 1966
SAN DIEGO-FALLON FUN RACE

June 17, 1966
SKY LADY DERBY
(See AIR MEETS)

June 28, 1966
AWTAR Impound

June 30, 1966
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
Seattle, Washington

July 2-5, 1966
AWTAR
Seattle, Wash. to Clearwater, Fla.

enjoy a little photography on the side. I enjoy writing a bit — and have the rejection slips to prove it!

I've been fortunate enough to hold some very fine offices in our organization — Chapter Chairman, Secretary, etc., and Governor of the South Central Section; International Secretary, Membership Chairman, AE Scholarship Trustee and co-Chairman, News Editor and am honored, at the present, to be your Vice-President.

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International Convention

and

Powder Puff Derby JUNE, 1966 Seattle, Wash.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Bids for stenotypist for International Convention, Seattle, Washington, June 30 - July 1, 1966, are now being accepted. Any Ninety-Nine who would like to have the job contact Betty McNabb, 926 Third Ave., Albany, Georgia, prior to May 1, 1966.

SPECIAL FEATURE

The following appeared in SHEILA BARNES' "Inns & Outs" column in the February 25th issue of New York's AVIATION NEWS:

COURAGE

Courage is the price that life exacts for granting peace.

The soul that knows it not, knows no release

From little things;

Knows not the livid loneliness of fear
Nor mountain heights, where better joy can hear

The sound of wings.

How can life grant us boon of loving,
compensate

For dull grey ugliness and pregnant hate

Unless we dare

The soul's dominion? Each time we make a choice, we pay

With courage to behold resistless day
And count it fair.

By Amelia Earhart.

"We heard these words, for the first time, at the Wings Club Valentine's luncheon in tribute to the ladies.

"Perhaps we found them particularly moving because we were in the company of many women distinguished in the world of aviation. Wives, mothers, grandmothers, career women, they too had learned, like their mentor, that 'courage is the price that life exacts for granting peace.' Each of them, we thought, had the serene look of one who had dared 'the soul's dominion.'

"As we listened to PHILIP GEARY, TWA's associate director of Air World Education, read the poem, we were sitting near pilots MARION LOPEZ, KAY HILDEBRANDT and ELLIE McCULLOUGH, all members of the 99s, the organization of licensed pilots. On the dais were DORIS RENNINGER, Governor of the New York/New Jersey Section of the 99s, and KAY BRICK, Chairman of the Powder Puff Derby, the All-Woman's Transcontinental Air Race.

"There were many other women pilots present and a number of other women with notable names in aviation.

"Among them: MISS FELICITY BURANELLI, founder of the Medal of the Month Foundation and sister of

VINCENT BURANELLI, the early airplane designer; MRS DOROTHY BEL-LANCA, whose husband was another pioneer in aircraft design and building; Mrs. DONALD A. QUARLES, special assistant for women's activities in the office of general aviation activities for the FAA; MRS JESSIE R. (M A) CHAMBERLIN, newspaper-woman and president of the Women's International Association of Aeronautics; MRS. RICHARD (COOKIE) HANWELL, international president of Clipped Wings, the organization of retired TWA hostesses; and MRS. VIVIAN JORGENSEN, international president of retired Kiwis, the organization of retired American Airlines stewardesses.

"It was ladies day, but it would be remiss to neglect the gentlemen who generously paid them tribute. They included BOB NEFF, president of the Wings Club and special assistant to the chairman of United Air Lines, and HERBERT O. FISHER, special assistant to the director of aviation for the Port of New York Authority, a member of the Wings Board of Directors and chairman of the luncheon.

"Finally, there was FRANK BLAIR, the modest and charming NBC newscaster who was there as toastmaster. To his surprise and very evident pleasure, the veteran private pilot was presented by MISS BURANELLI with the AMELIA EARHART medal for contributions to aviation.

"Like a good husband on Valentine's Day, he said he planned to give it to his wife, a fervent admirer of the gallant woman flyer."

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Amelia Earhart Scholarship

Deedo Heise, Trustee Chairman

Each year more Ninety - Nines apply for the Scholarship and the judging becomes more difficult for all concerned. We have so many excellent candidates the necessary eliminations are hard to make. The fifty-one applications originally requested by Chapters were screened by the Section Scholarship Committee members who submitted a total of twenty three to the Trustees. The five finalists have been presented to our Honorary Judges (whom you will meet in the next issue of the News) and upon their shoulders fall the task of selecting the winners.

Last July after convention it was felt that only two scholarships could be awarded this year, however, while meeting in Oklahoma City in early March the Trustees agreed that it would be possible to offer a third. It gives us much pleasure to be able to make the announcement and to take this opportunity to thank all the individuals and Chapters who have made it possible through their contributions.

Remember that all contributions are tax deductible and should be made payable to the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship and sent to Treasurer Betty Gillies.

NOTAMS

THE WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER WOULD APPRECIATE AN INDICATION AS TO HOW MANY PLAN TO ATTEND THE 1966 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION AND WHAT TYPE ENTERTAINMENT IS PREFERRED. SEND A POST CARD TO GINNY ANDREWS(2136-104th PLACE S.E., BELLEVUE, WASH. 98004, ADVISING IF YOU:

PLAN TO BE IN SEATTLE FOR CONVENTION AND RACE START AND/OR RACE TENTATIVELY WILL ARRIVE ON JUNE PLAN TO BRING PEOPLE WITH YOU, OR WILL BE JOINED BY PEOPLE BEFORE RACE STARTS.

WOULD BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN: (IDENTIFY BY NUMBER/S)

1. A one-day ferry trip to Victoria, B. C., Canada, for shopping and sightseeing.
2. An all day trip to Mt. Rainier.

3. An authentic Indian salmon bake on nearby Blake Island.
4. A tour of Boeing production plant, where 727s, 737s and even later designs are being built or studied.

ED. NOTE: **NOW IS THE TIME TO HELP YOUR CONVENTION HOSTESSES. GET A POST CARD, NOTE OR LETTER OFF TO GINNY RIGHT AWAY — ANSWERING THE ABOVE QUESTIONNAIRE AS BEST YOU CAN.**

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W. H. Bigelow, Market Analysis Manager for Piper Aircraft Corporation has furnished Piper Distributors and Dealers with the following information: "The fair sex is on the increase in general aviation by the numbers. Listed below is a comparison of women pilots as shown in the FAA Statistical Handbook of Aviation — 1965 edition.

	1964	1965	% inc.
Student	6,755	8,179	21%
Private	4,004	5,218	30%
Commercial	813	1,047	29%
Air Transport	51	55	8%

Don't neglect the ladies!

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The fair sex may be on the increase in general aviation numbers — but so is the male. Women pilots make up a mere 7% of the total certificated civilian pilots. Have YOU encouraged or introduced another woman to the pleasures of personal flight?— or have YOU encouraged and participated in local community air education? ED.

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Has any Ninety - Nine known "The Flying Duchess"?

Elizabeth Cuadra, Western Washington Chapter, noticed the following in the January 1966 issue of Flying Review International and thought some Ninety - Nine might be able to aid the project.

"His grace, the Duke of Bedford, is engaged in writing a biography of his grandmother, Mary, Duchess of Bedford (known as "The Flying Duchess") and would be extremely grateful for the loan of any letters, papers, etc., relevant to the subject; also any recollections of personal conversations that would throw light as to her character. These would be most faithfully copied and returned."

The address given: Box 102, Flying Review International, MacDonald & Co. (publishers) Ltd., Gulf House, 2 Portman St., London, W 1, England.

AIR MEETS

1966 ALL WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL AIR RACE

Monterrey, Mexico—West Palm Beach, Fla.

Impound Deadline,
Harlingen, Texas 5:00 p.m. May 22
Controlled flight to
Monterrey May 24
Takeoff, Monterrey 8:00 a.m. May 25
Deadline, West Palm
Beach, Fla. Sundown May 27
Awards Banquet May 28

Entry Deadline: April 30, 1966

For application, information and rules contact: Vera Bratz, 1840 S.W. 85th Ave., Miami, Florida 33155.

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SAN DIEGO - FALLON FUN RACE

Applications for the Second Annual San Diego-Fallon Fun Race open April 15, 1966. Entries must be received before May 21, 1966.

The Fun Race will start from Montgomery Field, San Diego, Calif. on June 11, 1966, at 10 a.m. Deadline finish is 4 p.m. the same day at Fallon Municipal Airport, Fallon, Nevada. It is open to women pilots with private license or better. Co-pilots may hold a student permit.

Cash prizes and trophies will be awarded the first five winners of the 412 nautical mile race.

Application for entry and information kits, 50c each, may be obtained from: Margaret Moody, 3103 Mobley St., San Diego, Calif. 92123.

Housing in San Diego is "The Sands Hotel". The Pre-Race Banquet, Friday evening, June 10, 1966, will feature Waldo Waterman, an original Early Bird, as guest speaker.

Race Start Co-chairmen are Margaret Moody and Ruby Keaveny. Other committee chairmen are: registration — Margrit Goodrich and Ruth Ebey; rules — Elsie Watson; FAA contact — Barbara Robillard, transportation — Lois Bartling; housing — Martha Mullen; timers — Dottie Klotz and Maxine Smith; impounds — June Hickox; inspection — Jamie Swanson; publicity — Jackie Brooks and Stella Hardin; tickets — Betty Wharton; and Miramar Clearance — Lyn Briggs.

The Fun Race is co-sponsored by the Fallon and San Diego Chapters of the Ninety-Nines, Inc.

Jackie Brooks
Publicity Chairman
San Diego Chapter

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SKY LADY DERBY

June 17, 1966

Sponsored by

WOMEN'S NATIONAL
AERONAUTICAL ASSOCIATION
NPA Sanctioned

OPEN TO ANY LICENSER WOMAN PILOT

Co-Pilot need not be licensed
ANY STOCK MODEL AIRCRAFT —
SINGLE OR TWIN

75 H.P. up and manufactured not prior to January 1, 1946

TRIANGULAR COURSE

Beginning and ending at Adams Field, Little Rock, Arkansas, with stops at Springfield Municipal, Springfield, Missouri, and Memphis Municipal, Memphis, Tennessee. Alternate course planned.

TROPHIES AND CASH AWARDS

1st Place \$300.00; 2nd Place \$200.00;
3rd Place \$100.00

ENTRY FEE \$15.00 — NO SPORTING LICENSE NECESSARY

IMPOUND DATE: Thursday, June 16th, 1800

RACE: Friday, June 17th; Rain Date: Saturday, June 18th

AWARDS BANQUET: Saturday, June 18th

RULES AVAILABLE: March 15, 1966

Be eligible for NATIONAL LIGHT PLANE PROFICIENCY PILOT OF THE YEAR, awarded by National Pilots Association at their National Convention.

1st, 2nd and 3rd places for both men and women pilots. Winning pilots furnished two days lodging at NPA Convention. Sky Lady pilots have an excellent chance for this additional award.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

Frances Henke, Baltezor Road, Route No. 1, St. Peters, Missouri,

or

Ruth Lake, No. 6 Arrowhead Estates, Chesterfield, Missouri.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

AIRMARKING COMMITTEE

Reports are coming in. Nine air-markers have been painted. Many more are on the drawing board.

The Bay Cities chapter, with Gladys Cobb as Airmarking Chairman, painted the name OAKLAND in 50 foot letters on the paved section between the E-W parallel runways at Oakland, Calif., in January. The following week they airmarked the Naval Air Station at Alameda in letters 67 feet 9 inches high. This was Gladys' first experience with airmarking. She certainly planned BIG ones for her chapter to paint. The Oakland marker took 70 gallons of paint and covered 6,500 square feet. The Alameda sign required 142 gallons of paint to cover 20,290 square feet.

Forty knot gusts didn't phase the Chicago Area Chapter members who, with the help of willing JCs and 49½ers, painted the name OSWEGO on the roof of the Oswego Lumber Yard in October.

Hull field in SUGAR LAND, Texas, was marked October 16th by the Houston chapter, and the girls report they plan to mark other airports soon.

Also in October, girls of the San Diego Chapter marked the newly resurfaced runway at MONTGOMERY, Calif., the project consuming a week from lay-out to completion.

Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter members, with the help of 49½ers, marked the LOGAN airport in October.

The 100 OGDEN sign at Ogden City, Utah, was repainted October 12th by the Utah Chapter.

In November, the Kansas Chapter flew a large group of Wing Scouts to Smith Center, Kansas, and together airmarked SMITH CENTER airport.

The SELMA airport runway was marked in December by the Fresno Chapter in 20 foot letters covering 426 square feet. This Chapter plans to do other strips in California's Central valley.

Last fall, Blanche Noyes of this committee, Chief of Airmarking for FAA, was the featured speaker at the dedication ceremony for the McAllen, Texas, new airport tower. During the event the Tip-of-Texas Chapter held a

Penny-a-pound airlift and added the profits to their fund for airmarking.

The Tulsa Chapter reports they are planning to mark PRYOR.

March 20th marked the annual fund raising fly-in of the San Antonio Chapter at Marian Burke's ranch, with part of the proceeds to go for airmarking in Texas.

Plans are underway by the Oklahoma Chapter to airmark the new ALTUS airport during April.

Jerry Roberts, New York-New Jersey Section Airmarking Chairman, reports that the Chief of the State of New Jersey Bureau of Aeronautics is very enthusiastic about airmarking, and she hopes to promote a State sponsored program in New Jersey through this contact.

The Garden State Chapter is planning an airmark in June, and the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter is planning to paint a marker in August. Sites for these markers have not been selected.

A statewide airmarking program is now being carried out by the Indiana Aeronautics Commission.

Ohio 99s are working toward a statewide Junior Chamber of Commerce airmarking program. Blanche Noyes went to Cleveland March 12th and 13th to help establish this program.

Barbara Faller, Airmarking Chairman for the Southwest Section, is setting up a Section-wide airmarking weekend in April or May.

This Committee is very pleased with the progress of the program this year. We will be happy to hear of more markers being completed.

Your Airmarking Committee,
Frances Peacock (Georgia)
Chairman
Marilyn Schulz (Abilene)
Blanche Noyes (Washington, D.C.)

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MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Alberta Nicholson, Chairman

To: All Members

Subj: Report on Membership

1. Total new members from July 1 '65 to Feb. 28 '66: (how is your Section doing?)

	New	Reinstated
New England	7	1
N.Y. - N.J.	23	3
Middle East	8	2
Southeast	49	5
North Central	72	8
South Central	71	9
Northwest	32	6
Southwest	105	10
British	5	
Australia	3	1
Members-at-Large		
Portugal	1	
Canada	2	
Africa	7	
Pakistan		1
	383	43
GRAND TOTAL		432

Thanks to all who are working on membership for the big effort and the outstanding results.

We have a small percentage of the women pilots of the world in the Ninety-Nines, true. But remember that in order to be a 99,

1. A person must first be **invited** by another 99. Be sure you know her before inviting her.
2. She must be voted on by the members. Be sure **they** know her so they can vote intelligently.

Review the "purpose" of our organization — "to provide a **close relationship among women pilots** and to **unite them** in any movement that may be for their benefit or for that of aviation. Pick members who can **work closely** with your members and **unite with them** in their projects and efforts.

There are many women pilots we have never met and there are many women pilots who have never heard of the 99s. Women pilots are, generally speaking, outstanding gals and let's everyone help to build our membership and to make the 99s known in the work of aviation.

Alberta Nicholson,
International
Membership Chairman



SOUTHWEST SECTION

BAKERSFIELD CHAPTER Eunice Dickey, Reporter

Our February meeting was cancelled because our hostess-to-be had the flu, but EDNA LONG is fine now and her home is where we're having our March meeting on the 20th.

JUNE EDWARDS attended the Women's Space Symposium at San Fernando Valley College on February 22nd. JUNE was very pleased to see the large number of college girls interested in aviation that attended the meeting.

JUNE's agriculture news TV program is now getting state-wide interest. Also, a General Dynamics representative has expressed an interest in picking up the tapes of agriculture and aviation programs that will be part of Education Module Kits using space age terminology. The kits are for Community Industrial Education and schools will be encouraged to use them.

Ninety-Nines On The Go: RHODA and WARREN THOMPSON spent three weeks away from home, flying to Guaymas and Mazatlan then on down the west coast of Mexico to Guatemala City, spending a week in Guatemala. They had filed a previous arrival plan with AOPA and were met by a man who took care of all the necessary procedures to get into Guatemala, which was a big help. On their way home they stopped in Mexico City and Guadalajara.

JO ANN MURPHY recently flew in her 180 to Oakland with her brother-in-law as co-pilot (he's an airline pilot from Alaska). The next weekend the MURPHYS returned to Oakland to spend the weekend with JO ANN's mother. The owner of a lodge in Lake Tsuniah in British Columbia visited with the MURPHYS recently. The only way to get to this lodge is to fly in and this is one of the favorite vacation spots of the MURPHYS.

MARIANNE LAXAGVE is flying her boss and his wife to Baja for a four day holiday.

TRISH MARKS is anxiously awaiting delivery this month on their new Cessna Skymaster. TRISH and her 49½er have just returned from a two week vacation in Mexico.

That's the news for now. If your name is missing, please let me know



Bay Cities 99s RUTH MAGILL and EDNA BAKER filling in a 70' "A" at NAS Alameda.

where you've been flying lately. Good flying to you all.

BAY CITIES CHAPTER Elly Jones, Reporter

The members of the Bay Cities Chapter barely let their paint rollers dry upon completion of airmarking the Metropolitan Oakland International Airport in early January of this year, before taking them out again on Feb. 12, 1966 to mark NAS Alameda. We believe this to be the first airmarking of a military airfield in the United States by members of the 99s.

As a matter of interest, the marking at Oakland Airport was painted in white 50 foot letters covering approximately 6,500 sq. ft., whereas NAS Alameda was done in 70 foot letters in yellow and black and covered 20,290 sq. ft. All painters were urged to wear peelable, disposable clothes and shoes which can only be appreciated by anyone who has ever taken part in airmarking. Airmarking Chairman GLADYS COBB did a remarkable job of organizing the various committees needed for such an undertaking. Assisting were HELEN KELTON, in charge of Layout; RUTH MAGILL, Hospitality; MIRIAM BRUGH, Equipment; JAUNDA BIGELOW, Photograph; and ELLY JONES, Publicity. The full cooperation of the Navy was greatly appreciated, they even went so far as



Bay Cities Airmarking Chairman GLADYS COBB covering last spot on NAS Alameda airmarker.

to furnish us with an, ahem, portable head, as the Navy calls them, in addition to serving us coffee and donuts.

Our tentative plans are now being finalized for the re-marking of the Hayward Air Terminal with hopes of scheduling it in conjunction with the "Airmarking Weekend," a Section-wide project to be held sometime this spring, hopefully, with each of the 23 Southwest



Oakland airmarker completed by Bay Cities Chapter Jan. 8, 1966. Located between runways 27L and 27R it covers 6,500 sq. ft. with 50' letters in white.

Section Chapters completing an air-marking.

JAUNDA and CARL BIGELOW, RUTH and JOE MAGILL planned a flying trip to the Nut Tree with APMO of Oakland. The day dawned crystal clear—no haze or fog—but with the wind letting people know it was around. They called weather and decided to drive. On arrival, discovered the President, Flight Chairman and Safety Chairman had driven too. Pilot reports were lots of turbulence over the route. The same day DEETSIE NIEL made two go arounds before successfully landing in Livermore. DEETSIE and husband are now commuters by air. DEETSIE from Berkeley to Stanford—he to Livermore saving each of them an hour a day. GAIL LANE checked out in a Cherokee 140 and JAUNDA BIGELOW in a brand new Skylane.

Cupid is a shady character. We are very happy he arranged for MARY MESSERSMITH to become MARY KING—but why send her off to Hawaii? LEONARD and MARY were married January 15 in Reno. He works for United Air Lines and so off they go. Congratulations MARY and LEONARD



The Alameda Naval Air Station airmarker covers 20,290 sq. ft. Located on Taxiway No. 1, the 70 foot letters are yellow outlined in black. Completed Feb. 22 by Bay Cities Chapter, this is believed to be the first military airfield in U.S. airmarked by Ninety-Nines.



Bay Cities Chapter 99s, Feb. 12, 1966, working on layout, outlining and filling in "NAS ALAMEDA" airmarker.

and lots of good luck from all of us.

CAROLINE SCHUTT and 49½er HENRY attended CCAA meeting at Morro Bay representing us as usual with a job well done. FRAN GRANT welcomed her first grandson on January 6 this year one day after her 25th Wedding Anniversary. HIALEAH REILICH participated as a pilot flying the freshman class of the New Monte Vista High School in Danville, Calif. The school board enthusiastically backed the flying orientation that was started by an interested Science teacher. HI also took part in the High Altitude Course at the Physiological Training Center at Castle Air Force Base. It was organized by the FAA and the Air Force to demonstrate to General Aviation the need for oxygen at altitude. One impressive section was the causes and effects of vertigo.

We welcomed as new members DONI PEREZ, JEANNE MELICK and DOROTHY MOTTA and are very happy to call them 99s. RUTH MAGILL leaves for a tour of Europe next week. She will visit Prague, Moscow, East Germany and Rome in conjunction with a teacher's 21 day tour.



99 ELLY JONES and 49½er RAY completing the outline for one of the letters for Bay Cities Chapter "NAS ALAMEDA" airmarker.

EL CAJON VALLEY CHAPTER Dottie Sanders, Reporter

At our February meeting, at the

home of MAC HUNTINGTON and HARRIET LEWIS, we welcomed back JUDY BACHMAN who has been inactive for so long because of illness. Sorry ROSLYN HEATH was unable to attend as she was the winner of our monthly "Aux. Tank"—her loss is next month's winner's gain! We understand KAREN WHITED's absence is due to a new "flight plan" in her life — studying to be a Flight Instructor. Good luck, KAREN!

Our Indian members have grown to five now! In addition to the original members about whom we told you in the January issue, we welcome MISS JYON RANI JAIN and MISS GIRIBALA MOHANTY. MISS JAIN has Private License No. 297, is a Doctor with an MBBS from Nagpur Medical College. Her hobbies are flying and interior decoration. MISS MOHANTY has Private License No. 289. She is Honorary Secretary of the Onessa Flying Club and of the Ekamra Cooperative Building Society, Ltd., and is a graduate in Mathematics.

The San Diego Aerospace Museum in

San Diego has made great strides, having moved into larger headquarters in Balboa Park in San Diego. Under the leadership of JIM SNAPP (El Cajon Aviation Committee of the Chamber of Commerce who helped us so much in the Start of the 1965 Powder Puff Derby) as President of the Museum and ISABELLE McCRAE of our Chapter as President of the Women's Division of the Museum, it is worth seeing if you are in the San Diego area! We have many "new" historical items in San Diego's aviation history. The 99s will have space to honor famous members and five Powder Puff Derby Starts from the San Diego area—any pictures, especially winners of any of the races that started from her—together with programs will be appreciated. For instance, was there a program in 1949?

Your writer had a nice chat by telephone with Phoenix Chapter's JUANITA NEWELL recently. She was here for a short time, and while she was waiting for her charter passenger to finish his business before returning to Phoenix she took advantage of the time to call. It's so nice to hear from 99s when they are in your area, even if it is only a phone call and cannot be a personal visit—it helps keep in touch!

FALLON CHAPTER **Elaine Brown, Reporter**

Our Chapter held their last meeting at the lovely new home of JUDY and BILL HISLE. Those present were JUDY, BERTHA CLINE (Chairman), FRAN GUSTAVSON, HAZEL HOHN, JOAN REID, LOIS WILLIAMS, LOIS BROWN, ELAINE BROWN, VALERIE SYLVESTER, JANE JANSSEN, and DEE BAER.

HAZEL HOHN produly introduced our newest member, also from Carson City, JOAN REID. JOAN has had her private license about three months and has already flown her non-pilot husband to Sacramento and back. How's that for a reversal of the old time Sunday afternoon ride?

HAZEL also reported the formation of the Women's Pilots Association of Carson City with ORA DESTREE as President, HAZEL HOHN as Secretary-Treasurer and JOAN REID as Vice President. They plan to meet once a month and have already put on Penny-a-Pound flights for two consecutive weekends, to celebrate the first anniversary of the new managers of Sonora Aviation at the Carson City Airport. The turn out was spectacular as was the aerial view of Lake Tahoe.

Reno, Washoe Lake and Virginia City. Congratulations, girls.

Our meeting this month centered around the Fallon Fun Race with numerous items coming up for discussion, volunteers for all open jobs, and a general feeling of excitement as the big day draws closer, June 11th.

Prior to our noon meeting, all private pilots in the Reno area were invited to attend a lecture and slides about the new, faster F-101's being flown by our Air National Guard. Coffee and donuts were served as we listened to the approach altitudes, landing speeds and idiosyncrasies of this new "Monster." The Guard also maintains a complete emergency service for all aircraft at Reno right down to the foam for forgetful retractable gear owners. We all felt this was an informative few hours and appreciate the Guard showing this concern for the private pilot. Our thanks to MAJOR WAYNE ADAMS of the Nevada Air National Guard for a fine presentation.

VALERIE SYLVESTER and DEE and RICK BAER are off to Mexico in the BAER's new Beech Baron—first stop, Guaymas! Plans are flexible as to future stops and length of stay, but we're betting when the soreness in their arms from those delightful typhoid shots wear off, they'll stretch their visit to the limits.

JOYCE BEAIL sighed as she reported the last inch of her Taylorcraft had received its new fabric. JOYCE has been doing this almost lost art herself and reports many male onlookers watching her progress—in disbelief!

This month's trip award goes to this reporter for an imaginative dream, that of taxiing her 49½'er's newest acquisition, an antique Piper J-3 Cub, out to the run-up area to request clearance for takeoff and then calmly waiting for the tower to notice the obvious lack of wings! Oh, well—it would have been fun. The only flying this soul does is imaginative anyway, what with a cub minus it's wings and a 175 minus an engine, there's not much left but "Flights of Fancy."

LONG BEACH CHAPTER **Carole B. Dunn, Reporter**

March found us gathered around ALMA HENLEY's brownies. ALMA loves to cook and volunteered for next meeting too. After surveying the members for news of flying activities—seems most have been doing everything except flying last month. JUDY WAGNER was skiing, FRAN BERA flew to Mexico. Mostly we talked of our

plans for a 2c-a-pound flight planned for May 8 weekend at Torrance Airport. MARY PINKNEY being the Chairman—if any of you would like to help, please call her, we need lots of volunteers.

CAROLE DUNN and EMMA McGuire flew to Chandler, Ariz., with anticipation and apprehension of flying in the aerobatic competition there sponsored by Champion Aircraft Co. and CHARLES MANN of Rhodell Farms. After much deliberation and much help from WAYNE FLICKINGER of Champion Aircraft Co., CAROLE entered the competition for the Neophyte division (students with 10 hours dual and less than 25 hrs. total aerobatic time) and placed 2nd among the six entries. They had an Amateur competition too, for everyone with more than 25 hours aerobatic time and MARGARET RITCHIE of Riverside placed 3rd. CAROLE and MARGARET were the only girls entered in the competition. It certainly was a hard thing to perform before a Judge named DUANE COLE. DUANE put on a show for all the townsfolk and contestants and was one of the four judges. How'd you like to follow his show? EMMA worked hard for the judges, helping keep the score and she helped CAROLE get up the nerve to enter. The next competition will be in Santa Paula, Calif., so all you girls interested, come take some lessons from CWFA and win a trophy.

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER **Rachel Bonzon, Reporter**

In February the Los Angeles Chapter held a fly-in to Meadows Field, Bakersfield, where we met for lunch at Freddie's on the airport. (One of our favorite places to eat.)

"To Elsinere—

Fly in and soar!"

is our invitation to all of you within convenient distance of Skylark Airport (San Diego Sectional, 33°37' - 117°18'). With the cooperation of the Orange County Soaring Society, we are offering sailplane rides, refreshments and an altogether fun-filled day on Sunday, May 15. (Weather date May 22.)

One of our members does not expect to be here to share the fun. VIRGINIA SHOWERS is making plans to join the Aero Club Tour of Europe in May. The itinerary looks most inviting, including a possible glacier landing about the time we are enjoying desert thermals. VIRGINIA is looking forward to meeting 99s at the various Aero Clubs along the Tour route.

TILLIE has just returned from a

vacation via Eastern Air Lines to Daytona Beach to see the "drags." She reports dismal rain and winds on this her first visit to Florida.

REBECCA found El Monte Airport.

LYNNE OPPER, a brand new Private Pilot visiting at our March meeting, had just returned from a trip to Las Vegas with her husband in their Skylane. "We fly with lower power settings because we'd rather fly than get there."

That newly painted blue and white Skylane in Torrance is now getting new tires, complete instrument equipment and an elegant new interior, we hear. That should give you quite a lift, JEAN.

Wondering why we haven't seen VIVIAN THOMPSON for a while—learned that she has been in Hawaii. What movie did you see on your flight, VIVIAN?

Watch for more
On Elsinore.

NORTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER

Ruth Smith, Reporter

Several guests were on hand for our February meeting: SHIRLEY MARSHALL and LEE, MIRZA CLARK and guest DOTTE WOLF from Tucson, student JEAN KASSIK and JO ANN WINTERLING of the Phoenix Chapter, both flew solo. SUSAN STORM and FRED TOLIVER came together from Phoenix, plus our Southwest Section Governor, PAT LAMBART and 49½er ERIC and their son, PATRICK. We all enjoyed visiting with them and hope they return soon.

DOT WARD reported she had checked her 49½er out in two planes on the 13th of February.

SHIRLEY MARSHALL announced an all woman fly-in to San Carlos, Mexico on the 28th of April and return on the 1st of May. At this time, BETH plans to go and has a plane reserved. JEAN KNOTT (66) is making plans to go with her—don't know whether or not anyone else is going but BETH said give her a call if you want to. Sounds like a wonderful weekend.

We had two prospective 66s in attendance also, LAURIE NIELSON and DENISE GREEN. Both meet the requirements our Chapter has set forth and need only attend one more meeting.

VALERIE SCHUBERT, who is a pilot, was present too. VALERIE received her license several years ago, and is thinking about bringing her flying skills and her medical up to date. We all hope she does and becomes a member of our Chapter.



Northern Arizona Chapter 99s and guests at a recent fly-in luncheon. Left to right: JUNE ELY, LOIS WARD, RUTH SMITH, BEVERLY SMITH, JEAN KNOTT, JOYCE FARLEY and BETH WRIGHT. Not pictured are DOT WARD, HELEN LAWRENCE and ROSEMARY KAHLE who flew in after the photographer left.

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER

Ann Cantillon, Reporter

Our February meeting was held at the local Mexican restaurant by the name of Henrys, where movies were shown of our Mexico trip. BITSY RETTEW really outdid herself in the film department. Attending were GINNY and BUD CHANDLER, SHERI and DON BLESSING, CHRIS and AL HOFFMAN, ANN and NED CANTILLON, DORIS and LOU BAILEY, HELEN and JOE HEDGES, NANCY and PAUL CREWS and THON ABBOTT. Also attending were MADINE PARSEL, BETTY FARRELL, MARION and BOB AUBURN, MARILYN BARTON, MARGE and KEN ROLLE, MYRNA SHANFIELD with sister LYNN and father, BITSY and GIL RETTEW and EDNA STENNETT, also prospective member THELMA MICKELSON with husband MYRON. Lest I forget, JOYCE and AL NASH were there too.

I had the opportunity to visit Los Alamitos Naval Air Station recently with NANCY CREWS. Really felt like a wheel when I put my little Cherokee 235 down on the runway amid all those jets. The tour was well worth the hop, even tried our hand in the Link Trainer. Think we spent more time upside down and under ground than on top and straight and level. NANCY has success-



CHRIS HOFFMAN, Vice-Chairman, Orange County Chapter.

fully passed her Instrument Instructors written so I felt safe. I might add that NANCY is now teaching for Rose Aviation at Hawthorne Airport.

CHRIS HOFFMAN, a member (I think) of the Soaring Society of America (or something like that) attended their meeting at Torrey Pines on March 6th where she participated in a spot landing contest. Reports CHRIS, she and pilot landed only 9 inches from spot in question. Pretty good, I'd say.

MADINE PARSEL recently ventured

to Dallas, Texas, to the Flight Proficiency School only to return as an instructor. These days she can be found instructing at Torbet Aircraft on our local field.

TIG PENNOCK has been promoted to sales at Martin Aviation, however she is still instructing from time to time. TIG's eldest son is now interested in gliders, but TIG promised not to take up the sport until he has soloed.

Speaking of TIG and MADINE, Orange County Airport has been plagued with Mud Hens (gooney birds as I call them) lately. The fact being, they have been such a hazard that the local hunters were called in with shot-guns in hand to eliminate a few. TIG and MADINE showed them a thing or six, TIG got 15 in one landing with a student while MADINE got her share with another student. Leave it to the girls to get the job finished in a hurry.

A fly-in luau at Borrego Springs found THON ABBOTT, NANCY and PAUL CREWS, TIG PENNOCK, NANCY THOMAS, SHERI and DON BLESSING, 49½er GIL RETTEW solo (sorry you couldn't be there BITSY) and as usual I was there too. Next time I'll remember to take my bathing suit, as will a few others.

Saw NANCY THOMAS as she rushed in for her instrument lesson. I hear she passed the written, guess it's getting close to flight check time. Also saw MARA CULP for a brief second. Haven't seen you at the meetings lately MARA, we miss you!

DON'T FORGET TO PLAN NOW FOR THE SOUTHWEST SECTIONAL AT ORANGE COUNTY COME SEPTEMBER. YA ALL COME!

Looks like our Chapter will be represented in the International Air Race by NANCY CREWS and JEAN ROSE, also tagging along will be MADINE PARSEL and ANN MANTILLON (me). Sounds like it should be fun from Monterrey, Mexico, to West Palm Beach, Fla.

As it looks now, Orange Countians should be out in force at the Southwest Sectional in Las Vegas come April.

Cameo CHRIS HOFFMAN

As Escrow Officer in a Newport Beach bank by day, and a full time mother of four boys by day and night, doesn't leave much time for flying. As CHRIS HOFFMAN puts it, "Time seems to be the most elusive element for me. When I have time I want to acquire more ratings and fulfill my



San Diego Chapter members use long handled rollers and paint buckets to air-mark Montgomery Field runway. Left to right — MARTHA MULLEN, STELLA HARDIN, JUNE HICKOX, JACKIE BROOKS, MARGARET MOODY, LOIS BARTLING, RUBY KEAVENY and DOROTHY KLOTZ. Although the task required nearly 50 gallons of paint and a week of work, the gals are looking for other fields to airmark, with great enthusiasm.

ambition to spend lots more flying hours in Mexico."

CHRIS started flying in 1948 and has acquired some 225 hours. She joined the 99s in 1962, since then she has held the office of Secretary, is now Vice Chairman and Membership Chairman and finds time to write our monthly bulletin. CHRIS flew the Fallon Fun Race in 1965 in a Cessna 170 and reported she had a ball. She is planning on flying the '66 Powder Puff Derby, but not in the 170.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER Ruth Ebey, Reporter

"Leaping Leprechauns!" the notice began, and 'twas indeed a fair day for a fun flight, the emerald hills beneath, the snow-tipped peaks of San Geronio and San Jacinto gleaming in the distance. Sunday, March 20, thanks to LOIS BARTLING, our imaginative and hard-working flying activities chairman, and her two helpers, MAXINE SMITH and ELSIE WATSON, we had a "Wee Race." efficiency type.

We took off at either Gillespie or Montgomery Field after guesstimating fuel consumption and elapsed time, flew to Hemet (noting location and color of windsock) and over to Palomar Airport where tanks were topped and scores computed.

Thirteen planes competed; crews from San Diego Chapter were: THELMA and HAROLD BISHOP and THELMA's sister, EDNA LAUBENSTEIN, Skylane; RUTH and JACK EBey, Aeronca Chief; RUBY KEAVENY and MARGARET LANG, Comanche; JIM and MARGARET MOODY and girls, Tri-Pacer; ELEANOR RICHARDSON and KITTY SCHIEDING (almost 99), Tri-Pacer; BETTY and CLAUD WHARTON, Cessna 210. Crews from El Cajon Valley Chapter were: BARBARA ALMAND and son, Cessna 172 (flew down from Apple Valley); DOTTIE and DICK CAMPBELL, Comanche; ISABELLE McCRAE with BETTY and BUD McNEIL, Bonanza; DOTTIE SANDERS and CLAUDIA WARD (Dottie Davis' daughter and a Road-runner), Cessna 140A. From the North County area, NELL CONLEY (and children) flew a Cherokee Six and PAMELA VAN DER LINDEN, a Cherokee 235. From Los Angeles, NORM and THELMA SMITH flew a Bonanza.

From Palomar were were driven to Quails Inn in San Marcos (the dining room juts out over the edge of a lake where ducks float around and where, that day, boats decorated with balloons, flags, and mayoralty-candidate campaign posters glided by). Special thanks to MARY and BRAD PEARSON and NELL and PAT CONLEY at Palo-

mar Airport and to LYN and BOB BRIGGS and STELLA and DON HARDIN of San Diego Chapter for providing transportation.

After all 46 of us (including guests and kids) had a delicious lunch, the winners were announced: First, THELMA BISHOP, who got the pot of \$10; Second, RUBY KEAVENY; and Third, ISABELLE McCRAE and RUTH EBEY tied!

Then we scampered away from Palomar with eyes on the approaching stratus. Sure, and it was fine fun!

Several women pilots from the Fallbrook area of northern San Diego County visited us at the February meeting because they are interested in possibly forming a new Chapter. If they decide to organize, we will sponsor them.

San Diego-Fallon Fun Race progress report:

Kits are ready for mailing.

Rules and regulations have been typed and sent to the printer.

Entries open April 15 and close May 21.

The route will be similar to last year's, but there will be a "must fly-by" (and gas stop) at Mojave.

WALDO WATERMAN, one of the Early Birds, will speak at the takeoff banquet. WALDO presently flies a plane which he designed and built and which is similar to the Curtiss A-1 Pusher.

Flying to Catalina Island early in March on a day of incomparable visibility (Mexico to Santa Barbara and east to Riverside!) was the delightful experience shared by LOIS and HARRY BARTLING in their Bonanza, GERTIE LOCKWOOD in her 175 with DOTTIE SANDERS and ISABELLE McCRAE of El Cajon Valley Chapter, MARTHA and JOHN MULLEN in their Debonair, and BETTY and CLAUD WHARTON in their 210.

Just learned that ELSIE and ED WATSON flew their Cherokee with friends from San Carlos, Calif., to Baja, Calif., Mexico, earlier this year. They stopped at Hamilton Ranch near Ensenada, Bahia de Los Angeles, Santa Rosalia and San Felipe.

BETTY LAMBERT has been extremely busy instructing, is proud to announce that she soloed her oldest son, ROB, on his 16th birthday.

ELEANOR RICHARDSON, our newest member, a transfer, flew in her Tri-Pacer to Palm Springs recently;

first she got weathered in, then had trouble with the electrical system.

MARGARET and JIM MOODY went to Palm Desert one weekend, to Bahia de Los Angeles another weekend in their Tri-Pacer. MARGARET started last fall to teach—retarded junior high students—part-time, has now signed a contract for full-time.

MARGRIT GOODRICH and 49½er MURRAY are planning an April Debonair vacation to Miami and New York. MARGRIT has recruited a fellow nurse back into the flying fold—she should be soloing soon.

LOIS and HARRY BARTLING spent a long March weekend at Albuquerque and Santa Fe, N. M., and Phoenix, Ariz.

BETTY and CLAUD WHARTON and boys flew to Ocotillo Wells and camped out and drove a dune buggy. The WHARTONS and the MULLENS, in their respective planes, flew up to Santa Barbara another weekend, spied a Lear jet, peeked inside, and found DANNY KAYE!

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER **Laverne Gudgel, Reporter**

Our Chapter's anniversary, the big event of the year, was celebrated in Stockton on March 12, with 120 guests and members in attendance. LT. CMDR. J. P. HANNIGAN of the U. S. Navy was the featured speaker. Thanks to JEAN MURRAY, the very able Chairman, for a successful party.

The March luncheon meeting was held the Tuesday preceeding the dinner-dance at the Stockton Airport Terminal with 17 of our now 21 members attending. Those flying in were EV HENDLEY, JEANNENE THOMPSON, CHARLOTTE RYAN, GERRY UNDERWOOD, PAULINE CHRISTENSEN and LAVERNE GUDGEL. Others present were MARIE McDOWELL, DOROTHY KOEBEL, BILLIE WYATT, MARGARET ANDREWS, LAURA MAY CRAWFORD, ELAINE SMITH, JEAN MURRAY, EVELYN JOHNSON, DOROTHY BRIDGEFORD, VIOLA LABRUCHERIE and MARY LOU FLAGG.

In all the excitement your reporter failed to get around to inquiring about the gals' flying activities except these few: It's especially good to see EV HENDLEY flying again and for going to all the trouble to check out in a rental to fly in to the meeting. EVELYN JOHNSON is almost commuting week-ends between Salinas and Stockton with their Cessna.

JEANENNE and RANDY THOMPSON of Modesto took off for Arizona

last month but landed at Fresno and Coalinga due to uncooperative weather. Phoenix is still over the hill to them. Speaking of Phoenix, MARGARET jetted there to help her son and family move from Las Vegas, Nev. He is co-pilot for Bonanza Airlines.

MARIE and ALAN have been limited to wheels these last couple of months due to repair and the addition of an autopilot to their Bonanza. A friend loaned them a new Cherokee to fly to Los Angeles. Such wonderful friendship!

ELAINE SMITH, recovering from the flu, (most of our members have suffered from it) got a quick jaunt to San Jose in their Cherokee which is up for sale pending the purchase of a Cessna 205.

We've missed MARY LOU FLAGG and VIOLA LABRUCHERIE at our recent meetings and are happy to see them again. VIOLA tells us of having completed the Nav-com course in their Travelair at the Las Vegas AOPA Plantation Party last October. Our lawyer member, MARY LOU, acted as co-pilot on a flight to Matzatlan, Mexico, after Christmas.

Your reporter, LAVERNE, has flown the hop to Stockton and also returned her sister-in-law to her home in Woodland in our puddle-jumping but reliable Piper Colt. We also extend a welcome to new member CHARLOTTE RYAN of Modesto. More information to introduce her to you next month.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER **Bliss Hanson, Reporter**

January 16, 1966, was one of those unbelievably sparkling winter days in the San Francisco Bay area this year. One of those "good to be alive" week-ends days that excite curious souls to seek out new adventures. Sunday found hundreds of peninsulans driving to Santa Clara County airports to watch or participate in Airport Day at Palo Alto, San Jose, and Reid Hillview Airports. All three airports had on their Sunday-best appearances for the visitors. People came to explore the skyrocketing field of general aviation. Some visitors came only to watch the activities; others came to thrill at the world through the perspective of flying. They marvelled at the people flying those airplanes that seemed so tiny compared to airliners; but, more than ever they were awed at a fleet of small airplanes taxiing towards the blue with 16 women at the controls. Airport Day



Santa Clara Valley Ninety-Nines flew an eight Cherokee formation to "kick-off" Airport Day in Santa Clara County. Back row, left to right, STEPHANIE HANCOCK, VERNA WEST, JEANNE McELHATTON, JACKIE PETTY, PHYLLIS PIERCE, SANDY FORREST, JACKIE SACHEN and PAT GLADNEY. Front row, l-r, MARG STANDISH, MARION BARNICK, ROSE DEE, MARY LAIL, SHERRY McDONALD, NATALIE BOSSIO, ESTHER HAINEY and ALICE TAYLOR.

at Palo Alto Airport experienced formation flying with eight Cherokee 140's and 180s. Eight of the sixteen 99s were pilots-in-command: STEPHANIE HANCOCK, VERNA WEST, JEANNE McELHATTON, JACKIE PETTY, SANDY FORREST, PHYLLIS PIERCE, PAT GLADNEY and JACKIE SACHEN. Taking their places as co-pilots were MARG STANDISH, MARION BARNICK, ROSE DEE, MARY LAIL, NATALIE BOSSIO, SHERRY MacDONALD, ESTHER HAINEY and ALICE TAYLOR. In preparation, the 99s practiced hard hours on the ground, planning, and in the air. The experience ranged from the new Private Pilot to the experienced 10,000 hour pilot.

Needless to say, there had to be a party in celebration of the day's activities and SANDY FORREST graciously extended her hospitality to the group.

Educationally, to introduce new flyers to the working of ATC, and as a refresher to "old pros," our group has visited several towers in the Bay Area, along them San Jose and Hayward towers. We are planning an excursion to Oakland Center in Fremont later this spring. Now those controllers' voices don't seem quite so mysterious as before.

For those lucky gals who don't work or were able to get the day off, Columbia became the destination of a fly-in luncheon Thursday, Jan. 21. Those attending were SANDY FORREST, PAT GLADNEY, JACKIE PETTY and guest NANCY VERBERROTHO, JEANNE McELHATTON and guest SANDY MAHONEY, AMY SYLVESTRI, PHYLLIS PIERCE, NANCY BLOOD, NATALIE BOSSIO, MARION BARNICK and SHERRY MacDONALD. Columbia is a small renovated gold-rush town in

the low Sierra country and for many is a pleasant spot to spend a few hours wandering through California's history. Complete with stage coach and hold-ups!

Some of our girls are joining the ranks of professional women in aviation. JACKIE SACHEN, who is presently serving on the Women's Advisory Committee on Aviation, recently achieved her Instructor's Ticket, January 31, and soon thereafter began instructing at Nystrom Aviation in Palo Alto. JACKIE is the first woman in 30 years to instruct on Nystrom's staff.

BLISS HANSON has recently taken a position with Sky Knights and Peterson Sales in San Jose as secretary-pilot. Duties besides secretarial work include scheduling, sales, charter and ferrying aircraft from the Cessna factory in Wichita.

TUCSON CHAPTER

Maggie Schock, Reporter

The best way to start a column is with the news of a new rating and that we have. SHERRY BOICE has a brand new Commercial license and a brand new shiny gold disk to wear on her bracelet. Our chapter started this very nice practice of giving them to each new Commercial pilot a couple of years ago. The airplane flown is embossed on one side and the date on the other. Some of the girls have purchased additional disks for airplanes owned or flown over the years. DOROTHY JENKINS wore all of hers to our last meeting and could hardly lift her arm! I can imagine SHERRY will have about as many when she has been flying 34 years too.

VIRGINIA EDWARDS has had the happy task of helping her flying club decide on a new airplane. What fun to have dealers call you up and ASK you to come fly their equipment. The Skycats finally settled on a 235 Cherokee from Hudgins, a good place to go for Piper products. They will take delivery as soon as their old Cessna 150 is sold. Anybody want to buy an airplane so VIRGINIA can fly that Cherokee to the Southwest Sectional at Las Vegas in April?

Our scholarship winner, PATTY LIETHA, has completed her flying time thru solo and is working part time at Sears to pay for flying lessons and complete her private license. All this while going to the University full time. The vigor of youth.

MEG GUGGOLZ was back with us for a short visit before she and MIRZA CLARK joined the local NPA group for a weekend in San Carlos, Mexico. She had better hurry back to Santa Fe or she won't have time to get back here for the all girl 99 trip to the same place the last of April.

SYLVIA BARTZ's 49½er, IRVING, was in charge of the NPA fly-in and PAT NOLEN is handling details for the 99s. At the moment, PAT is in the hospital with Hepatitis; but it hasn't slowed her up a bit. Remarkable timing, too. The one time she gets sick is when the Comanche is in the shop for an engine major. Sympathetic malaise, perhaps? Hope they will both be back in the air very soon.

There were almost as many 99s as NPA members at San Carlos last weekend. As well as SYLVIA and IRVING BARTZ, the ART MARSHALLS, MEG GUGGOLZ, MIRZA CLARK and husband OLEN, FRANCES and ROD FRANCIS joined the group, bringing

with them daughter SHERRY, still in a cast with her broken shoulder. VIRGINIA and KEN COOK flew their Comanche down Saturday morning and spent most of the next two days on the water. The weather was wonderful for fishing; but a bit chilly for swimming, we hear. SYLVIA BARTZ's two sons didn't mind the cool temperatures so much when they capsized the catamaran sailboat; but I'm not sure ART MARSHALL was too happy when he did the same thing. First requirement for sailing—a swim suit.

LORRAINE and LEE YOCUM had the good fortune—or misfortune—to be in Mazatlan during the carnival preceding Lent. They logged two hours per block. What a crush. Things were better in Puerto Vallarta, tho. Two beautiful hotels with delicious, but expensive, food. Now that the Bonanza is purring so beautifully again we can expect reports from LORRAINE and LEE about all sorts of interesting places.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch . . . PATSY BROOKS is working on her Instrument rating and SHIRLEY MARSHALL is flying to Phoenix to talk to JIM VERCELLINO about Aerospace Education as well as to Flagstaff to help the girls there with their problems.

BEATRICE EDGERLY and DOT JENKINS flew a Cherokee Six to Van Nuys recently to see BEA's son and grandchildren. DOROTHY said it was one of those rare times when Los Angeles was clear and beautiful and sunny. Wonderful flying and an autopilot, too. Lucky people.

Our very wet winter will mean a spectacular spring here on the desert. The mountains and valleys should be a blaze of color starting about mid-April. What a wonderful sight it will be from the air. Come see for yourselves if you possibly can. It is our loveliest time of year.

UTAH CHAPTER

Lucile Christopherson, Reporter

Wonderful skiing weather—tobogganing and skating! At one time during the month the ranger station at Alta reported 10 new inches of snow and 108 inches total snow depth. It has been a fabulous year for these snow events. Utah, and especially Salt Lake City, looks forward to being accepted for the World Olympics in 1972. Already they are the United States choice for the Winter Olympics but is has to be approved at the World Olympics Committee meeting which will be held in

Rome on April 21.

On February 22nd ALBERTA NICHOLSON sponsored a 99 skiing event at the Alta Ski Resort. The girls had a marvelous time—the snow was perfect!

Plans are underway for airmarking St. George Airport on March 25th. St. George has scheduled a two-day fly-in, March 26th and 27, with a pilots breakfast on the morning of March 26th and with free tours to the canyons nearby, the Brigham Young summer home and the use of their 18-hole golf course. The Utah 99s plan to arrive in St. George the day before, get the airmarking finished and join in the activities of the weekend.

Another "Pinch-Hitter" course is being planned. A letter will be sent to all who participated last year seeking such information as to how much flying they have done since taking the course. This time received will be printed upon the certificates to be handed out. We would also like to know what suggestions they have for future courses and the names of friends who would be interested in taking this course. We will also ask whether they prefer daytime or evening classes.

SUE ELLIS didn't join with the girls on the skiing party on the 22nd, instead she willingly and gladly arrived at the hospital for the birth of her new little daughter. Congratulations, SUE, we're mighty proud of the new mommy and daughter!

LOUISE ANDERSON received word of the birth of her second grandson. How we love these "flying grandmothers!" LOUISE is also attending Instrument Ground School and hopes to complete it before long.

CARYL KNOWLTON had a flight to Las Vegas and then to Phoenix for a little fun and sun.

Marj Mackey and family have bought a boat and will soon take it to Lake Powell where, we understand, the weather is great! No snow—no frozen lakes! MARJ is also attending Instrument Ground School with an Instrument Ticket in mind.

NANCY REULING and 49½er DICK went to Chicago on business during the past month. She has also had some Art Airlifts—one to Cedar City and other southern Utah towns.

GINI STREETER and husband had a wonderful flight to Crested Butte, Colo., the latter part of February. This was a business trip but some time was spent skiing in those beautiful mountains. Crested Butte is located just south of Aspen, Colo., and from all reports—skiing was never better.

February 14th LUCILE CHRISTOPHERSON and husband had a business meeting in Albuquerque then continued on to Phoenix where they attended the wedding that evening of SHIRLEY HARKER and CHESTER DAVIS in the Central Methodist Church. Later that week they were tour directors for several couples from this area, Ogden and Phoenix to the Hawaiian Islands. They visited the Islands of Kauai, Hawaii, Maui and Oahu. It was a real fun time!

During the month of February, ALBERTA NICHOLSON was guest speaker at the Salt Lake CAP Squadron meeting. During this meeting she showed the colored movies taken by former State Aeronautics Director HARLON BEMENT of the Powder Puff Derby Stop in Salt Lake City.

All the snow has now disappeared from the valley floor—even the robins indicate that spring is around the corner!



Margaret Kentley, Governor, Reporter

A most enjoyable time was had by all who went to Melbourne for the Conference weekend of the Annual General Meeting of the Australian Women Pilot's Association, during which we 99s got together and held our Annual Autumn (Australian) Meeting.

Some 10 aircraft, full of women pilots, flew in to the A.G.M. PEG KELMAN and OLGA TARLING making the longest flight, from Brisbane, Qld., about 1,000 miles, and together with those who came by airline and car, from West Aust., Tasmania, S.A., and N.S.W., we numbered 75 all told! With so much wining and dining, flying, water skiing, swimming and horse-riding, it is a wonder we managed any meetings at all! The highlight was the Annual Dinner and presentation of Trophies by 49½er HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL, LORD CASEY, and THE LADY CASEY. Another notable guest, amongst many, was the DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION, MR. ANDERSON.

EVELYN KOREN of Mt. Gambier, won the Trophy for the Air Navigation Reliability Trial, of at least 300 miles, and ROSALIND MERRIFIELD was awarded the NANCY BIRD Trophy for

the most outstanding contribution to Aviation by an Australian Woman Pilot for 1966, for her three Pacific Solo Flights and her present work in the Solomon Islands, flying UN Geophysicists on difficult survey work, at 400 ft. altitude, with tropical mountains around her and crocodiles below.

I am now the very proud mother of an airline pilot son! PETER is flying DC3s for Ansett—A.N.A., Australia's major internal airline, and he is only 20 years old. I wonder if I am the first pilot-mother of an airline pilot? Come April 25th, I celebrate the 30th anniversary of my first solo.

Amongst our new members, we have ROSEMARY DE PIERRES, who lives in the country some 90 miles northeast of Perth, W. A., amongst the salt lakes. She started her own flying school, last year, in order to be able to learn to fly herself! She is fortunate in having a dedicated instructor for the school who is a retired Indian Air Force pilot.

Another new member is MARIE

Do you know the maximum safe crosswind conditions for the airplane you fly? Absence of proper crosswind techniques, or disregard of adequate consideration of the airplanes capabilities and characteristics can be dangerous.

RICHARDSON, who attained her license some 30 years ago in Kingsford Smith's flying school. She now does a lot of work with Air Rangers (senior Girl Scouts) and has recently become our second grandmother. A third new member, RHONDA STEWART, leaves for a six month round-the-world trip, in May, and will be coming home via Canada and U.S.A. between 26th September and the end of October. LIN BUTLER and her 49½er ATHOL are making a similar trip and expect to be in New York towards the end of July. I do hope many 99s around the world will meet them.

We are all excited over SHIELA SCOTT'S proposed flight and are looking forward to meeting her early in May. She is just going to miss our "fly-in" to Government House, Canberra, to attend the Dinner as the guests of HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL LORD CASEY and THE LADY CASEY on the night of 7th May, 1966. You are all welcome and I do hope some of you will be able to be in Australia at that time and join us for this very special occasion.

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BRITISH SECTION

Janet Ferguson, Reporter

Not a lot of news this month, although everyone is keeping busy and one or two interesting things are cooking.

ELIZABETH OVERBURY's company is re-equipping with Hawker Siddeley 748s and ELIZABETH recently completed the conversion course for the type. The 748 is a comparatively new low wing pressurized aircraft weighing 45,000 lbs., powered by two Rolls Royce turbo-prop Dart 531 engines and carry 55 passengers with a maximum altitude of 25,000 feet. The conversion course consisted of two weeks at Hawker Siddeley on Systems Management, one week at Rolls Royce Aero Engine School on Operation and Flight Handling, where ELIZABETH was the first woman pilot through the school. Then there was one week of flying training, both day and night, during which she flew 12 hours on the aircraft; and finally ELIZABETH passed the two tests required to include the HS 748 on her license: the Ministry of Aviation flying test and the two hour written paper on airframe, engine and emergency procedures. Quite an achievement!

GILLIAN CAZALET recently spent a week in Scotland with her survey aircraft and crew, waiting hopefully for suitable photographic weather and ending up mostly sitting around the airport "drinking gallons of tea and coffee." At the time of writing she was on two weeks leave and, as she says, "doing my best not to think about aeroplanes but find they have a way of creeping in—can't go for a quiet drive in the country without craning my neck to see what is flying over. Even spotted the Rapide I used to fly for Tyne Tees at Blackbushe Airport as I drove past!"

The other day I flew into Wycombe Air Park and saw JOAN HUGHES—one of our more illustrious members whom we don't often see unfortunately. JOAN is Chief Flying Instructor with the Airways Aero Club—that is, when her filming commitments permit! As we reported before, she flew the Demoiselle in "The Magnificent Men . . ." and has recently been flying a recon-

structed German World War I fighter for a new film "The Blue Max." JOAN says that in spite of the somewhat hazardous aspect of the flying it is great fun and she's eagerly awaiting another chance to do some more film work.

Great excitement—the British Balloon Club has officially been formed, with ANTHONY SMITH as Chairman and our own SHEILA SCOTT as Vice Chairman. We await developments with interest.

Finally, we're all agog in anticipation of the visit of 99s from the U.S. Roll on September!



CONNECTICUT CHAPTER

Ruth P. Buckley, Reporter

Summer vacations had scarcely been over. The calendar had not yet acknowledged fall. Our officers were wearing their summer tans, pretty smiles and pretty dresses. It was installation night for Chairman CHRISTINE WINZER, Vice-Chairman MARY HORTON, Secretary CYNTHIA and Treasurer ELIZABETH SAGAN, who were gathered away from their many friends for the accompanying photo. MARY, CHRIS and CYNTHIA reside approximately in the southwest portion of the state. BETTY's home is nearer to the center of the state and the State Capitol of



CONNECTICUT CHAPTER OFFICERS at their installation meeting. Left to right, **MARY HORTON**, Vice-Chairman; **CHRISTINE WINZER**, Chairman; **CYNTHIA KEMPER**, Secretary; and **BETTY SAGAN**, Treasurer.



PRIL LOVERIDGE, left, new Connecticut Chapter member, is pinned with a first meeting flower by Chairman **CHRISTINE WINZER**.

Hartford. What would we do without the airplane?

Flying and the state of awayness are an inherent combination. Back now from winter vacations: The DAVIDSONS from the east coast of Florida, traveling in their 205; the RICHARD MURCHS from Florida also traveling in their 172. The ROBERT GUNTHERS have returned from a Caribbean holiday. The CARRICATOS, DICK and GINNY, left colder Connecticut for the family in Florida and Palm Beach. TOM and ELLEN PURDY spent pleasant days in B.W.I. land. Our Chairman, CHRISTINE WINZER, and her husband, TED, used January for a trip to Europe and ski country. In a memo for me, due to the spelling, CHRIS wrote "for seeing and skiing—the WIN-

ZERS to Kitzbuhel, Auhtria and Zermatt, Switzerland."

Attending the March meeting were members SHARON SIMMONS, CHRISTINE WINZER, ELLEN PURDY, EVELYN MURCH, MARILYN HUBBELL, RUTH BUCKLEY, MARIAN McALLEENAN, CYNTHIA KEMPER, MARY HORTON, PRILL LOVERIDGE and PEGGY DAVIDSON.

PEG is Treasurer for the New England Section and Past Chairman of the Chapter. Everyone was delighted by the presence of MARIAN McALLEENAN. MARIAN has been in Scotland, most recently, and residing in the British Isles.

CYNTHIA flew co-pilot to Mansfield, N. H., with BERTHA MEANA in a Cessna 160. CYNTHIA commented that

it was one of those superior days with all the aspects of favorable weather. BERTHA is our prospective new member—MRS. MEANA is a modest and sensible woman recently returned from Peru and the Peace Corps. For information concerning her activities as an instructor, I had to go to the supplements of the New London and New Haven papers.

Our Chairman, CHRIS, opened the formalities for the business meeting by introducing PRIL LOVERIDGE to us. Honoring her first meeting, CHRIS pinned a white and blue flower to PRIL's suit. PRIL has transferred into the Connecticut Chapter and it is "welcome aboard" to PRIL.

The Chapter has planned quarterly business meetings. There are always large amounts of material to cover: old, new and unexpected. We examined our progress and publicity for the dinner meeting in April. The guest speaker will be MR. MAX CONRAD. Our "Evening with Max Conrad" is sponsored by Safair, Inc., of Teterboro, N. J. The Connecticut Chapter has elected to support the Barnum Air Festival. This is a summer event, generally held early in July and always at Bridgeport Airport. The Chapter would like to encourage our museums to review their displayed material concerning women in aviation. Together, CYNTHIA and CHRIS introduced the members to the book "Courage is the Price," written by MURIEL EARHART MORRISSEY.

EASTERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER

Lois Auchterlonie, Reporter

The March meeting was held at Manchester, N. H., Airport. The crystal ball tilted as usual and presented snow and fog! However, 13 brave souls munched in for the meeting and enjoyed a very interesting talk by Yael ROM of Israel, our Member-at-Large, who is visiting Boston area this year. Three visitors of Northern Chapter joined us—BEVERLY SHORES, MADELINE BLIDBERG, and a prospective 99, PAMELA BUGG. A surprise birthday cake was presented to RIPLEY MILLER, who is still trying to figure how MILLIE DOREMUS got the cake there, since she rode up with RIPLEY. (It was in the paper bag MILLIE referred to as a "radio tube" she was delivering.)

Yael ROM holds the distinction of being the only woman to receive full Air Force training in Israel and served as Captain in the Air Transport Com-

mand. She later flew with an airline for several years. Her experience encountered as the only woman in flight training with classes of male pilots made for a very interesting talk. She served in combat service in 1956 dropping parachutists and supplies to various outposts. Yael's husband is doing research at AVCO; they have three lovely children.

AWNEAR will be in Burlington, Vt., on May 21st this year. Our Chapter members are busy lining up their crews and guesstimating where the route will be. We are looking forward to hearing JERRIE MOCK speak at our awards banquet.

While on a flight to find meeting places and prospective airmarking spots, RIPLEY MILLER and MILLIE DOREMUS landed at North Adams, Mass., and met with PEG COWING. After touring the new administration building, the girls "fell" for the town itself. PEG and her husband will soon be off to the Bahamas in their Cessna Skymaster.

The 99 display at the Boston Winterfest cultural show caused considerable interest. The printed handouts were well received. The TewMak Airport operator displayed two airplanes and a glider, which were good drawing cards. Who said women weren't interested in airplanes?

PAT JONES drove to Florida to see her mother recently, taking her four children with her since they couldn't all quite fit in the 150. PAT has been a busy Membership Chairman for the Chapter.

ISABEL BLODGETT will be in England early May to visit her daughter, KATHRYN GEBBY who recently received her Ph.D. degree at University College, where she is now engaged in research. ISABEL plans to attend the ceremony at the college when the Queen Mother of England receives those who have earned their Ph.D. degrees.

NONA GUSTAFSON enjoyed a winter vacation in Arizona and California in February. Now that her Cessna 182 is in New England, she admits to being transplanted from Chicago.

PLAN AHEAD

International Convention

and

Powder Puff Derby

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Seattle, Wash.



GARDEN STATE CHAPTER

Nancy Smyth, Reporter

The Garden State Chapter of the 99s is going strong. Our February Valentine's Party at Flying W Ranch was a success in every way but one. Our 49½er cards did not arrive in time for presentation at the dinner. Our Speaker, KEN HAGY of the Philadelphia Weather Bureau, was very interesting and also presented a very informative film on air masses and fronts. This was such that everyone from non-pilot guests to instructors present could benefit.

We have two new members—CAROL KOCZON of Bricktown, a brand new 99, and IRMA DOMMASCH of Blawenburg, a transfer from the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter.

Our March meeting is going to be a bid to get new members from the Central Jersey area. It is a panel discussion on "How to Fly a Pattern" which should be of great value to our 66s and 99s.

LOOKING AHEAD—On April 30th we are going to assist the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter in presenting their Penny-a-Pound Ladies Day at Princeton. This will give us the experience necessary for ours, which is scheduled for September at Mercer County Airport, Trenton. On May 7th, we are going to be the hosts for the Spring Section Meeting for the New York-New Jersey Section. It will be a fly-in to Princeton Airport with the luncheon and program scheduled for the Princeton Inn. More details to follow!

MARY ROSE MYERS and 49½er BILL are the proud owners of a new Cessna 150. They were last heard of from Florida, on their first trip in the new 150.

GAY MAHER was the guest speaker at a luncheon of the Burlington County Medical Association Wives. MARY JUNE LOCH was the guest speaker at the Zonta monthly aviation meeting. NANCY SMYTH visited the Greater New York Chapter's March meeting—all about helicopters. NANCY is one of our three Whirly-Girls.

Please save May 7th to come to the Spring Section Meeting—all the necessary details next month.

GREATER NEW YORK CHAPTER

Charlotte M. McCollum

Our March meeting was a most interesting one, held at the Sheraton Motor Inn in New York City, with a side trip to the Hel-Aire Heliport. BRYAN ROLAND, sales manager of Hel-Aire, presented informative films and a short talk on the helicopter industry. Our newest member, DR. VERA FINDLAY, gave a short resume of her trip to Laos, and were were fortunate to be able to see MARION ANDREWS LOPEZ's finished oil painting of the Blue Angels, all ready for delivery. We were pleased to have Chairman JULIE VOM SAAL back from her trip to Mexico in time for the meeting.

Some of the guests present included NANCY SMYTH, Garden State Chapter Secretary; PAT DEMAREST of Flying Magazine; and KAY BRICK's guests, JACQUIE VEENSTRA, founder of Jet Clubs International, and COUNTESS MISCHI KOVATS from Hungary, glider pilot since 1937. Sorry space doesn't allow me to mention all guests.

The lucky girls to win the helicopter orientation rides were INGE GROSS, MARTHA MORRISON, SELMA CRONAN, ELEANOR LOIJA, RUTH FORCIE and AGGIE ZWEIDENGER. Whirly-Girls DORIS RENNINGER and NANCY SMYTH graciously declined their winning tickets to give others a chance.

KAY HILBRANDT, Chairman of the Penny-a-Pound, announces the tentative date of the annual affair as June 5, rain date June 12, at Chatham Aviation, Morristown Municipal Airport, Morristown, N. J. Ground crew, pilots and planes sorely needed!

MINA ELSCHNER, Chairman of our "Attic Treasures" project, says to please save your treasures and white elephants—first table is scheduled for the Penny-a-Pound Day.

Congratulations to JULIE WILSON on passing her Flight Check. As soon as she gets her ticket number, her application will be completed, and we will have a new member.

IRENE KEITH has completed her Route Check on the Boeing 727 to St. Croix, V. I., and will attend the National Air Force Association Convention in Dallas, Texas, as a New York State Delegate in March.

IRENE says to hold April 20 for a Panel Discussion of "The Private Pilot and His Problems in Metro Area Airports." The meeting is to be held at the Sky Chief Restaurant, American Airlines Terminal Building, JFK Airport.

By next month BARBARA BROTHERTON and CHARLOTTE McCOLLUM



Left to right: CY LEVINE, President of Hel-Aire Copters, Ltd., New York City; NANCY SMYTH, Secretary Garden State Chapter and Whirly-Girl No. 77; JULIE VOM SAAL, Chairman Greater New York Chapter; DORIS RENNINGER, Governor, N.Y.-N.J. Section and Whirly-Girl No. 59; and BRYAN ROLAND, Sales Manager of Hel-Aire, Ltd., pictured at the March 12th meeting of the Greater New York Chapter. Luncheon was held at the Sheraton in New York City where MR. ROLAND spoke and showed films on helicopters followed by a visit to Hel-Aire's West 30th Street Heliport with eight gals winning helicopter orientation rides.

LUM hope to have a joint celebration on the passing of their instrument written Examination. We could maybe use a few short prayers?



CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Marion Dunlap, Reporter

The Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the 99s held their March meeting at the Ranch Court Restaurant, State College, Pa., Saturday, March 12, with the out of town girls flying into University Park Airport.

Plans for the Penny-a-Pound scheduled for Sunday, May 15, 1966, to be held at University Park Airport, Bellefonte, Pa., are progressing rapidly.

Most of the girls are busy flying or working on projects pertaining to flying. MARY HULL, Williamsport, a new pilot of two months, flew into University Park Airport for the March meet-

ing. HELEN SHEFFER, an instructor at the Montoursville Airport, is busy teaching students with all this wonderful flying weather. ELLEN ROTT-SCHAEFFER, Lock Haven, has been flying all over Pennsylvania landing at all the different airports. N A O M I STAHLNECKER, Williamsport, enjoyed a recent vacation in Florida. MARION DUNLAP, Bellefonte, was busy flying for a Civil Air Patrol mission March 12 and 13. HAZEL BARTOLET and CAROLYN HARBOLIS have been working as a ground crew team making plans and arrangements for future fly-ins for our Chapter. CAROL SMITH, Lewistown, just returned from vacationing in Florida.

Plans were made for airmarking the Centre Airport, Centre Hall, Pa., in the near future.

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Caroline Bregler, Reporter

The February meeting of the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter was held at the Brass Rail Restaurant, International

Airport, Philadelphia, following a very knowledgeable Maintenance Seminar. The Seminar was held as part of the Chapter Air Age Education Program and MERLE CHALOW was chairman of this event. Aiding MERLE were ANNE SHIELDS, HELEN ZUBROW, THEA CHALOW, MURIAL CHALOW, JERRY ROBERTS, CAROLINE BREGLER and JOYCE ROGGIO.

B. S. Van ARTSDALEN of the FAA's North Philadelphia Office showed two films "Preflight of the Aircraft" and "Preflight of the Engine." LES DIEHL of Piper Aircraft Corporation gave a very enlightening talk on carburetor icing and cold weather flying. JOSEPH TYSON, Lycoming Division of AVCO, showed a film "Are You Really Ready?"

The afternoon session was a panel discussion and a question and answer period with Messrs. VanARTSDALEN, DIEHL, TYSON and RUDY CHALOW, a local A&E. Many questions were answered and everyone attending left the seminar knowing just a little bit more.

After the Seminar a brief business meeting was held and members had a chance to welcome DR. MAUVINE BARNES who flies out of Pittman Airport and MARJORIE BRYANT who flies out of Morrisville Airport who are prospective 99s.

The March meeting will be a dinner meeting at the Williamson Restaurant, Barclay Building in Cynwyd, Pa.

Plans were discussed at the meeting of coming events that will keep all 99s in the Chapter very busy this spring. So a word to all—get your airplanes ready because there is a lot of flying planned for the next few months. A Penny-a-Pound in Central Pennsylvania, Eastern Pennsylvania and another in the Garden State Chapter, plus the Sectional meeting in Washington, D. C., April 23rd. Airmarking and, I understand, BERTIE PETERSON is planning a real doosie of a Treasure Hunt. So plan to attend all the meetings so you won't miss anything.

Last heard from LOIS SACCHI was that she was on her way to Germany.

WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER

Mary "Mitzi" M. Keller, Reporter

FLASH: Middle East Sectional April 22nd to April 24th. Washington, D. C. Chapter hosts the Spring Sectional. Registration 8:30-9:30 a.m. on the 24th. Tours have been arranged and National Airport will add something new on the 24th—the first Jet landing there. Many other surprises are in store. The Na-

tion's Capitol has so many things to see and this is the most beautiful time of year.

March 11th, business meeting held at the home of FAY WELLS. March 13th, a Farewell Party was given for two of our most active and loved members: NANCY TIER, who is moving to New Hampshire, and ALICE FUCHS, who is moving to Pennsylvania. As always, VIRGINIA THOMPSON and her husband, DON, gave them a lovely party in their beautiful home in Annandale, Va. They are the perfect hosts for doing nice things.

A former member was in town on Civil Air Patrol duty in February and was caught in our snowy weather—BARBARA JENISON of Paris, Ill.

Your reoprtter, having just returned from Mexico, has not yet caught up with the many happenings in our Chapter, which I am sure is jumping.

SEE YOU AT THE TWIN BRIDGE MARRIOTT MOTEL, April 23rd.



CAROLINAS CHAPTER

Bebe Ragaz, Reporter

The Carolinas Chapter had a very good meeting in Columbia, S. C., February 19th, with FRANCES MILLER and SYLVIA ROTH, hostesses. Miller Aviation has a great place with a new building. If you are in Columbia, stop by the municipal airport and see them. BETTY McNABB and HOLLY SMITH and her 49½er flew up from Georgia. MARILYN COLLETTE from Ohio, who was on her way to Miami, was with us. JEANNE HARLEY had as her guest RACHEL EVANS from Atlanta. RUBY GWINN who learned to fly in Japan has made application for membership and will soon be our new member. FRANCES, SYLVIA, and I made up the rest of the members present.

A letter from the Savannah Chamber of Commerce concerning the '68 AWTAR terminus was read. They have already started publicity of the race and are very enthusiastic about it. After the meeting we listened to some of the stories RUBY GWINN had to tell about her experiences of flying in Japan.

LOUISE and HERMAN SMITH left February 18th for Tucson and Phoenix. Heard snatches of conversation

about the plane LOUISE THADEN won the Bendix race in has been found and there are plans afoot to rebuild it. The next time I see LOUISE I will get the facts and report them. It sounds like a very interesting project.

Luggage tags for sale, \$1.50 each, with name and address. Write Page Shamburger.

FLORIDA GOLDCOAST CHAPTER

Dottie Harrison, Reporter

Glad to be back in circulation, after the birth of my son on February 18th. Many thanks to JAN WAGNER for pinch-hitting for me.

Our February meeting was held at Tursair, Opa Locka Airport. DOTTIE SHAW, BETTY TRACY and MARIE THOMPSON flew over to Clearwater Airport to attend the February meeting of the Suncoast Chapter and hear about plans for the terminus of the AWTAR.

A reminder to you all of the International Air Race, sponsored by the Florida Woman Pilots Association, the city of West Palm Beach and the county of Palm Beach. The date of the race is May 21 to 28. It will start in Monterrey, Mexico and terminate in West Palm Beach, Fla. For more information, contact General Chairman, Vera Bratz, 1840 S.W. 85th Avenue, Miami 55, Fla. Sounds like lots of fun! Hope to see a lot of you all at Palm Beach International Airport in May.

VIRGINIA BRITT and her husband, DUNCAN, flew over to Mobile for Mardi Gras in their Cessna 310. The weather was so bad both ways, VIRGINIA got four hours of actual instrument time on the trip.

BETTY TRACY flew to Naples for the swamp buggy races a few weeks ago and DOTTIE SHAW was the only member of our Chapter to attend the fourth birthday party of the Grasshoppers in Orlando. DOTTIE and her airline pilot husband, "BOOTS," are very proud of their son who soloed one week after his 16th birthday. MAGGIE FIELDS' son, DOUG, has been taking flying lessons, too, and now flies three times a week.

We plan to hold our March meeting in Eau Gallie. This will be in conjunction with the Charter Presentation of our new Chapter. The Florida Space Port Chapter. Chairman CY BEERS has planned what promises to be a tremendous weekend. We're all looking forward to it, and will tell you all about it next month. Until then, Happy Flying!

GEORGIA CHAPTER

Frances Peacock, Reporter

Among the best friends pilots have are the men and women of the Weather Bureau, who take much time to describe, evaluate and forecast all those unseen and unforeseen conditions that help us decide whether to go or stay. Without their assistance, we would certainly find the going rather difficult. Unfortunately, however, we often cancel out flying trips only to learn that "the front dissipated" or "the rains didn't materialize" or the weather just plain "went the other way."

Such was the case for the March meeting of the Georgia Chapter scheduled for the 13th at Bush Field, Augusta. Our two instrument rated pilots, JEAN VOYLES and DOLORES LOWE, flew to Augusta in lovely VFR weather. The rest of us stayed home. JEAN had flown from Atlanta to Orlando, Fla., on Saturday in her 210 to pick up a friend, then back to Augusta where they ROned. DOLORES and her husband, accompanied by SANDRA KILKELLY, of Covington, arrived Sunday in a Mooney. HAP MANNING, the Augusta Airport Manager, met with the girls for further discussion of the details associated with the AWTAR stop there in July.

Following the February meeting in Chamblee, at which attendance was limited to those able to drive in, the south Georgia girls held a meeting in Albany on the 15th. Present for this meeting were Chairman CAROLYN KENNEDY, who drove down from Parrott, Secretary CAROL LOWERY, International Secretary BETTY McNABB, new member HOLLY SMITH, prospective member FRANKIE NIFFENEGGER, and student pilot CONNIE MEIER, all of Albany. FRANKIE, who has a private ticket, also has an almost-finished sailplane in her garage.

Plans have been completed for our Chapter to tour the Lockheed-Marietta plant on March 24th including lunch in the executive dining room as guests of Lockheed. This promises to be an interesting trip and the girls are looking forward to the tour and particularly to seeing the mock-up of the giant C5A.

JEAN VOYLES made two trips to Kerrville, Texas, to bring back a Mooney. On her first trip, the latter part of February, the weather closed in, and since they don't fly IFR out of Kerrville she returned airlines. Next week she tried again. She was picked up at San Antonio in the Mooney she was to ferry back, given a cockpit check by the pilot who flew the plane

back to Kerrville and waved on her way back to Atlanta. After spending the night at Meridian, Miss., JEAN encountered severe clear air turbulence Sunday morning, so flew to Mobile for the day. She got out in the late afternoon and arrived back in Atlanta before dark. Any apprehensions she had over operating the manual gear are long gone, as she was able to accomplish this easily.

We have trouble keeping up with BETTY McNABB. She has been busy traveling to hospitals for medical records consultations. She reported losing the entire left brake assembly on her Bonanza in Macon recently and having to leave the plane. Next day she returned for it in a French Sud Horizon, owned by Aero Commander. She has become quite chummy with the Aero Commander folks at Albany and recently flew their Meyers (now Aero Commander 200) to Atlanta to drop an airline passenger then back to Albany. Early in April BETTY goes to Oklahoma City to attend the Executive Board meeting scheduled for the 4th through 6th.

VIRGINIA KLEEB, our Augusta member, reports that she and husband FRED have entered their flying tern "Over" in the 4th of July race on Clark's Hill Reservoir. They have become avid sailing enthusiasts and we wish them luck in the race.

Georgia 99s have been asked by the Georgia Department of Industry and Trade to cooperate with the Women's Advisory Committee on Aviation in initiating an airport beautification program, as requested by GEN. WILLIAM F. McKEE, Administrator of FAA.

There are now 159 airports in Georgia with 15 more scheduled to be opened during 1966. The most recent openings were at Ashburn, Canon and Jefferson. At present five more are under construction to be opened by mid-summer. Ninety-Nines are invited to drop in any time to visit us "WawJaw" girls. Why not RON with us, you all!

MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER

Pat Ward, Reporter

Missed seeing ourselves in print last month, but here we are to make up for lost time. The Louisiana-Mississippi weather hasn't changed much (still soupy), but the 99s haven't stood still for it. Lots of activity and a pending new Chapter have erupted from our group, to say nothing of manning TWO of the IAR Stops in May between us.

The IAR Stops was the main topic of discussion at our January 31st meet-

ing in Hattiesburg at the home of our Chairman, JESSIE MILLER. VERA BRATZ had contacted JESSIE about the Stop in Laurel and your reporter about the Stop in Alexandria and we are very happy about planning our hospitality and efficiency for the racers. At the Hattiesburg meeting we were given a tour of the University of Southern Mississippi and had lunch at one of the impressive, modern dormitories. Attendance was not as good as it should have been because of the ice and snow in the northern part of Mississippi that piled snow drifts on the runways on top of the ice.

In February, it was rain that kept us away, and the February 27 meeting planned by the Jackson girls, ETHEL RADZEWICZ and BERNICE KELLEY, was almost a zero attendance and would have been had not the Greenville-Greenwood girls driven over. However, they had lunch and visited and then braved the highway home again when it was obvious that the rest of us were rained out. This was a special date for the Chapter members who knew CORA McDONALD, deceased February 27, 1965.

And then March blew in like a lion, dropping the nightmare of the gigantic tornado in Jackson. Have heard of no casualties among families of our members there, but our thoughts were with them. The March 13 meeting in Baton Rouge was announced, complete with the spot landing contest, door prizes and tours, but again the weather was uncooperative. This time with more rain and fog. However, there were 11 Baton Rouge girls on hand to receive anyone who might have found a path through to our door, and since there were none we had our own meeting. These were 99s, 66s and 49½ers who will make up part of the membership of the prospective South Louisiana Chapter and since we were unable to expend all of our enthusiasm during our evening organizational meeting on March 10 were were happy for another opportunity to do so. More about that later.

Now for flying activities and other things: BERNICE KELLY is navigating her Monza Corvair to California with daughter NANCY and her French Poodle, but will be on the airways enroute home. ETHEL RADZENWICZ and 49½er PAUL are in New Orleans hauling the "Samba" into dry dock getting ready for the International Ocean Race this summer to the Yucatan (good luck!). DOT ETHERIDGE has been employed at the Greenville Flying Ser-

vice since she got her CFI in January, is doing charter, instructing and demonstrating aircraft. 49½er BOB approves; says she spent most of her time at the airport anyway, so she may as well get on the payroll. GLORIA WARD, better known previously as "my favorite 66" is now a 99! Got her Private checkride on March 12 and promptly gave your reported a ride from one airport to another in Baton Rouge—allowing me to try my hand at right seat landings and had to take over before touch-down. She made her fifth trip to the Cessna factory in ICT the week before and this time it was her turn to have a wacky radio. We had sufficient headwinds to make us average 72 statute mph all the way home. Very good for building up time, girls. Wish I had more news about more 99s, but with such sketchy meetings it's hard to keep in touch with everyone. Do know that PEGGY McCORMICK wants to have the next meeting in Greenwood and this will be the first time we'll have had to meet our new members in that area.

(PROSPECTIVE) PENDING SOUTH LOUISIANA CHAPTER

Attending the first organizational meeting of the prospective South Louisiana Chapter were so enthusiastic that Leon's Italian Kitchen in Baton Rouge seemed to be "the place to be on the night of March 10. Plans were discussed in regard to public relations activities and aviation projects for the new Chapter, including the IAR Stop in Alexandria in May, the 99 display at the airports, a poster for the FBO offices throughout our territory, a scrapbook and incentive programs to be held in different locations for licensed women pilots who are not now 99s. Election of prospective officers were: Chairman, PAT WARD; Vice Chairman, NITA DELARODERIE; Secretary-Treasurer, DIONNE COMEAUX, all transfers from the Mississippi Chapter along with ALICE CAGLE, New Orleans; PATSY JONES, Baton Rouge; and JEANETTE DeJARNETTE, New Orleans. New members: MARY JEAN PRESTRIDGE, MOLLY STOCKWELL, and GLORIA WARD. Prospective (licensed) members. HELEN HOOK, Hammond, La.; GLORIA DEVORE SCHWAGER (former WASP), Baton Rouge; and NORA GOODSPEED, Baton Rouge. Future members (66s): GERRIE WILSON, LORETTA CALVERT, YVONNE LANDRY, LOUISE OGDEN, BARBARA TEER, NORMA SPENCE, MELBA SHAFFETT, and

SUSAN SIMPSON, all of Baton Rouge. We were assured by the girls from New Orleans that there are many more women who are licensed or about to be licensed in New Orleans together with the ones that those of us from Baton Rouge know about. So it appears that we can have a large, active Chapter in South Louisiana and we look forward to getting things under way. Our first project, with long range plans, is to meet with the girls in Lake Charles, Alexandria, Lafayette, Houma and Opelousas who are licensed and spread our Chapter out to every quadrant of our territory. We are anxious to get started and look forward to being a contributing factor to the 99s.

TENNESSEE CHAPTER

Ruth W. Thomas, Reporter

SPRING SECTIONAL—May 6, 7 and 8—Tennessee 99s welcome you to the Southeast Spring Sectional. IRENE and BUD FLEWELLEN have invited us to help them officially open their private airstrip—Dallas Bay Skypark. The flight strip is north of the Chattanooga Municipal and across the lake. On Friday evening there will be a barbecue supper and dance at the hangar. Just land, park your aircraft (CAP will help) and walk across the runway to food and fun—Dallas Bay Skypark style.

LAKE SHORE LODGE will be our nesting and meeting place for the weekend. There will be plenty of transportation between Dallas Bay Skypark and the lodge.

International President ALICE ROBERTS will be the main speaker for the Saturday night supper. After dinner you will participate in some harmonizing around the piano and/or dance. Whistle? Sure, just stay in key and make it loud.

MARTHA TOBEY, Governor of the

Southeast Section, will call the Chapter Chairmen together on Saturday morning for a brief meeting and the main business meeting will convene at 11 a.m.

CHATTER — FRAN SMITH of Jamestown kept us laughing around the luncheon table (March meeting) with tales of the antics of their pet monkey. Have you ever shopped for monkey clothes? Ruffled diaper sets are the rage now. The SMITH's Cessna 175 is out of the overhaul shop and according to FRAN is ten miles faster. MARTHA TOBEY answered our questions about activities of this Section. EVELYN JOHNSON brought student pilot BETTY THOMAS of New Market to the meeting. BEE REID brought IRENE FLEWELLEN and MILDRED JORDAN from Chattanooga. GLORIA CAROWAN flew down in her Cessna 182.

DOROTHY PATTEN and the Chattanooga 99s met with ALICE HAMMOND, AWTAR pre-race route runner, last week and finalized the arrangements for the Stop this July. Tennessee 99s will be dissatisfied if each racer does not plan to make Chattanooga one of her stops. Racers will regret it, too.

Meet BEE REID. During the 1965 race and Convention BEE was playing golf at the Linville (N. C.) Invitational. She won. JOHN and BEE bought Chattanooga Aviation the first of February. They are one of those husband and wife teams who started flying together, received their license on the same day and now two years later are both working on an Instrument rating. While living in Birmingham BEE won the Alabama State Golf Championship six times. At present she is Vice President of the Womens Tennessee State Golf Association. BEE flies a Cherokee 180, owns an Aztec C and as owners of Chattanooga Aviation are dealers for Beechcraft. Both have a private license with multi-engine rating.

EXTRA DUTY — If you apply for a job at the Morristown Airport, don't be surprised at the chores Operator EVELYN JOHNSON will have you doing. NAN KINDLUND, Gatlinburg, a student pilot, brings her two year old daughter along when she reports for flying lessons each week. Now babysitting has been added as a job for EVELYN's helpers.

TENNESSEE—Still think of pencils and hardwood? Check your microphone. Does it say manufactured in Sevierville, Tenn.? Lockheed is building a plant at Shelbyville. The wings for the Grauman Gulfstream II are being made at AVCO in Nashville.

PLAN AHEAD

International Convention and Powder Puff Derby

JUNE, 1966

Seattle, Wash.



NO. CENTRAL SECTION

ALL-OHIO CHAPTER

Edy Maxim, Reporter

Our thanks to BETTE WARNER, who hosted and arranged a splendid meeting for us February 20th at the ARTC Center in Oberlin. A CAVU, 0°F. type of day. Many fly-ins and drive-ins. Approximately seventy 99s, prospectives, 49½ers and guests enjoyed the tour of the Center and the informative FAA film of a coast-to-coast UAL jet flight and the roll of ARTC in that flight.

A brand new Mr. and Mrs. attended our February meeting and our best wishes for much happiness go to both. As of February 18th, PAT ROGERS, our Chapter Secretary, is now MRS. MYRON COLLIER.

We still have a traveling group: JANET and BOB GIBBS enjoyed jetting to Jamaica and the Virgin Islands for 10 days in February. MARGE and JIM GORMAN flew the Bonanza to New Orleans and Texas in February. Twelve of the 14 hours were IFR. JIM, by the way, is enjoying a newly-acquired P-51. BETTE and BILL WARNER flew their Bonanza to Little Rock, Ark., and Clarksburg, W. Va., in December. BETTE got in three hours of night flying. BILL WARNER'S first solo was in the Bonanza in January.

MARILYN COLLETTE Comanched to Fort Lauderdale in February and "co-piloting" was her boss's wife. A fine week which even included some first-time deep sea fishing. While she was wintering in Sarasota, MARY SCHEAFER enjoyed visits from CAROLYN KENNEDY and 49½er from the Georgia Chapter and HAZEL MATZ and 49½er from the Ozark Chapter. RUTH and MERRILL LOVE had good flying to the Mobile, Ala., Mardi Gras.

HELEN McCONNELL passed her Commercial in July and Instrument the 1st of January. ALLENE SHEPHERD got her Private license in July and is a new member. Her husband, FLOYD, and son JAY are also Private pilots. AUTRIE LEHR got in 11 hours in one week toward her multi-engine rating, with four hours actual instrument time, and she has started instrument ground school. PAT FAIRBANKS is working on multi-engine and instrument ratings. Got in 3:25 multi-engine time in one week—2 hours solid IFR. Flew the Apache to Elyria.



'65 All-Ohio Chapter Achievement Awards. L to R: 5th Place—MARION BETZLER, 4th—VIRGINIA SCHUMACHER, 3rd—MARILYN COLLETTE, 2nd—AUTRIE LEHR, 1st place—CONNIE JONES

MARY SCHEAFER and HELEN O'CONNELL are planning on the IAR in MARY's Cherokee. CONNIE JONES in much demand for her entertaining "Flighty Ladies" talk. In her schedule recently, Business & Professional Women's Club of Euclid and also the Wayne County Aero Club in Wooster. MARIE AMBUS is serving on the steering committee on educational development for the establishment of a permanent university center in a tri-county area (Erie, Huron and Ottawa). MARY FECSEER is now head of the modern language department at the brand new Charles A. Mooney Junior High School, which has the largest foreign language department of all the junior high schools in the City of Cleveland. MARY is also in charge of an \$8,000 Language Laboratory which is always on the visiting list of educators.

AUTRIE LEHR has been devoting much time and energy in the attempt to re-establish the airmarking program in Ohio. She has, in fact, been working with the Jaycees in Xenia in an effort to make this a combined 99 - Jaycee program. The Jaycee executive committee of Ohio was most favorable to the program. The plan was put before the state convention in Cleveland on March 13th and unanimously approved. AUTRIE and her airmarking committee now have the green light. Our deepest appreciation to MARY ANN NOAH, our Powder Puff winner, and to BLANCHE NOYES, FAA Airmarking Chief, who flew to Cleveland to help



CONNIE JONES is the '65 winner of the All-Ohio Chapter rotating achievement trophy, accumulating points logging lots of flight time, participating in races, passing her commercial, serving as Chapter Treasurer, etc., etc., etc.

with this promotion. Assisting AUTRIE at the convention were VIRGINIA SCHUMACHER, CLARA THARPE, CONNIE JONES, MARILYN COLLETTE, MARY SCHEAFER, JOAN HRUBEC, HELEN SAMMON and EDY MAXIM.

MUGS. ANYONE?

CAPE GIRARDEAU AREA CHAPTER
Margie Hall, Reporter

Thru snow, wind, and rain the CGI girls traveled to Carbondale, Ill., for a wonderful meeting with our lovely Chairman, LOIS FEIGENBAUM, as hostess.

Following our meeting, which was full of "goodies," we were guests of LOIS at the annual Beta Sigma Phi luncheon and style show. This was a lovely affair. All the new fashions looked so yummy with all the bright colors, and here it was snowing outside. But it was a bright spot in our day.

LOIS FEIGENBAUM, NADINE HEUER and MARY ELDERS, "lucky girls," flew to Kansas recently and were guests of the Greater Kansas City Chapter. They were surely accorded "the red carpet treatment." ALEAH COMBS and her Chapter really entertained them. MARY ANN NOAH met them at the airport and from there on it was fun, fun, fun.

The girls were surely impressed with the Greater Kansas City Chapter. They had 28 members out of 30 present. Girls, we salute you! What with cocktails and a delicious buffet dinner, they were quite overwhelmed, especially when they asked LOIS FEIGENBAUM to accept their Chapter's submission of her name for nomination for Vice Governor. Needless to say she was delighted, and we of the Cape Girardeau Area Chapter do, indeed, feel we are fortunate in having a member like LOIS. We had already asked her to permit our Chapter to submit her name for nomination for Vice Governor. We were so pleased to know that another Chapter, such as the Greater Kansas City Chapter, wanted to nominate her also. She'll do a marvelous job in anything she does.

MARY EVANS gave the Kansas City girls a complete run-down on convention plans, which was warmly received. MARY has done a fabulous job of getting the "mostest" for the "leastest."

NADINE HEUER, our Powder Puff Derby Stop Chairman, was so pleased to run into ALICE HAMMOND and DEEDO HEISE while in Kansas City. This was an added treat for her. If you look up here in CGI and see a pink streak whizzing by, don't worry, it's just NADINE rounding up leg prizes, souvenirs and many other lovely things for the Race Contestants who stop in CGI. There will be more reported on the Derby as time approaches, but now we're working to make the North Central Sectional, at the Lake of the

Ozarks, the best darn Sectional you've ever attended. Even if you don't belong to our Section, do come, we'd love to have you. Just drop me a note and I'll make reservations for you. It's going to be a Good-Good Time.

The "Trail-Blazer" ALICE HAMMOND arrived in our city today, bringing with her the very gracious VELMA WOODARD, a 99 from OKC. We were delighted to have her. Come again soon, VELMA.

After checking all the preparations over with our Derby Chairman, NADINE HEUER, and her Publicity Chairman, ALICE GODWIN, RUSH and MILLIE LIMBAUGH treated the entire group to brunch at the Cape Girardeau Country Club.

We did our best to keep her overnite, but she said her little 180 Cessna, "Charley," had his heart set on spending the nite in Chattanooga, Tenn. But we'll see them again soon at the North Central Convention.

It was good to see MARY ELDERS, our NPA Race Winner of last year, at our meeting. Can you imagine driving 150 miles to a meeting? Well, this little 95 lb. wonder did just that.

We are still missing our POLLY FREYTAG. She's still recuperating from recent surgery. Take care POLLY and hurry back to us.

Our NPA Race Winner of this year, ALICE GODWIN, has been busy on the speaking circuit. She has been guest speaker at our local Kiwanis Club, and was speaker at the Dexter, Mo. Pilots Club. Her topic was "Proficiency Racing." This is a topic she's very current in, having won two races this year. We're looking forward to the day she'll race in the Derby.

Did you remember to mark your calendar?

April 15, 16, 17
North Central Section Convention
Lodge of the Four Seasons
Lake Ozark, Mo.

You-all come, we'll be waiting for you.

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER
Dolores J. Adamson, Reporter

Adverse winter weather held our attendance to only 10 hardy souls at our March meeting in Springfield. We have lots of members and prospective members who are hoping for clear skies in April.

JO ANN FINKELSTEIN and 49½er STEPHEN are the proud parents of their first child. The future little 99 has been named SHERL LYNN and

was born on February 6th. JO and STEPHEN are presently stationed with the U. S. Army at Ft. Sill, Okla. BARBARA JENISON recently returned home after a four day stay in Washington, D. C., attending meetings with FAA and aerospace industries for CAP activities. She had a fascinating flight back to Wright-Patterson AFB aboard an Air Force T-39.

GLORIA and WARREN FARR left March 16th for three days in Las Vegas. They plan to visit relatives in Denver on their way back to Peoria. HELEN and JIM McBRIDE are still in Florida and MARJORIE and FRED KELLY just recently returned from that sunny state. Getting ready to depart for warmer climate is Whirly Girl No. 101, BETTY COMMON, who plans to depart soon for Jamaica.

On the subject of winter vacation trips, your reporter recently had a letter from LIBBY DUNSETH who recently arrived home after a wonderful flying trip to Australia. One of the highlights of her trip was a flying "picnic" with CAPT. FRED LADD who was the British airman of the year in 1965. They also took a 172 tour over sheep farms owned by an old friend in New Zealand. Unfortunately, LIBBY and DICK returned to San Francisco and promptly came down with the flu. LIBBY reports that at one sheep farm they had to buzz the landing strip twice—once to get rid of the sheep and once to get rid of the golfers! She's still not quite sure whether the golfers were playing on the landing strip or whether they landed on the golf course! At one time they flew between a snow-capped mountain and a smoking volcanic mountain. She describes the country as "fabulous" and it certainly sounds just that.

JEAN READ disappointedly reports the defeat of the airport referendum at Streator. JEAN worked awfully hard for this and we can understand her disappointment. LEAH WARREN flew to Aurora the first of the month and ran into foul weather on the return flight. They were forced to land at Kankakee and had to return for the plane a couple of days later. Better luck next time, LEAH.

We were all deeply saddened to learn of the tragic loss of CROOM BEATTY, operator of Coles County Airport at Mattoon. He was indeed an asset to aviation and will be greatly missed by all of us.

Maybe we'll see you all soon now that the skies are clearing and the weather warming!

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

Mary Shumway, Reporter

On a cold clear February Sunday morning found our Chapter flying into Naper Aero Estates, Naperville, Ill., using their new improved strip and their new pilots' lounge for our meeting. GERRY KRAUSE brought the "Nanza" down to a beautiful landing right on the line and took home the "spot landing" prize. JEAN CLAUS, assisted by NORMA FRIER and JANE DEWEY, had lovely rolls and hot, hot coffee which was so nice on such a cold morning. An overflowing number of 99s and prospectives attended to hear 49½er ARCH DEWEY of Aurora, Ill., relate his European flying trip with other American flyers thru AOPA, flying French Sud Aviation planes to points all over the continent. The technical and personal comments were very revealing.

NORMA and ART FRIER flew over to Treasurer Cay, Bahamas, with friends in their S-35 Bonanza in January and reported good weather for the trip.

SALLY STREMPPEL and hubby from Phoenix, Ariz., after spending the holidays with their daughter. Did some flying at Deer Valley while there, in a Cherokee. Just returned from two weeks at their lake front home in Wisconsin. Vacation over, now back at hard work at Sally's Flying School, Palwaukee.

MARY PANCZYSZYN took her first flight in a Cub since way back when she got her Private. TRACY PILURS was "acting instructor." TRACY has kept the "Puddy Tat" in a nice warm hangar for the winter months. Is this what they mean by "hangar flying"?

We hear EVA WHITE has been asked to be in the 1966 edition of "Who's Who of American Women." (We can't think of anyone nicer!)

ALICE HAMMOND and her Cessna 180 "Charlie" trail-blazed the mid-continent 1966 Powder Puff Derby stops for the AWTAR Board, early in March, stopping off at Oklahoma City for a meeting of the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Trustees. She and "Charlie" then flew on to Miami to join 49½er JOHN who is working there for the month of March. (Nice work if you can get it!)

DOROTHY WHITE has been re-elected Treasurer of the Business Men's Flying Club of Naperville and has checked out in the club's new aerobatic "Citabria." Sez it's great!

DORIS MULLEN writes that Valentine's Day was great! She passed her

Helicopter Flight Instructor's flight test given by THEO MOORE of the FAA and he says she is the first woman Helicopter Instructor in the Chicago FAA District. (Hoorah for DORIS, next thing we know the NASA will be after her.)

Happy Flying.

GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

Joy Morrison, Reporter

Everything's up to date in Kansas City so if you are flying the Powder Puff Derby this year plan on an overnight stop in Kansas City. You won't regret it!

ALICE HAMMOND and DIEDO HEISE flew into Kansas City trail-blazing the route for the Derby. While at Fairfax, the ladies met with the local chairmen and members of both Chambers of Commerce in discussing the forthcoming race.

MARY ANN NOAH regrets that she has taught her cousin MARY ATKINS of Wichita too many trade secrets. Each is flying the race separately this year. MARILYN DICKSON and MARY WOOD are planning on flying a Piper Cherokee 235 in the Seattle to Clearwater race.

The March winds were really crazy when MARY EVANS, LOIS FEIGENBAUM and NADINE HEUER of the Cape Girardeau Area Chapter flew to Kansas City. The ladies attended our meeting to encourage attendance for the Spring Sectional at the Four Seasons at the Lake of the Ozarks.

Batman says if you don't make Kansas City one of your stops on the Powder Puff Derby, Zowie, Bang, Wham, Zap, Biff and Pow to you.

GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER

Amy Laws, Reporter

"In like a lion, out like a lamb"—not so this March. Spring is having a preview in St. Louis—our Chapter is hubbubbing over with flying activities and plans for aviation events. Our regular meeting was held at the home of SUE MATHIAS, whose application was just approved for membership. Our guest speaker was Inspector LAWRENCE SIMS of the FAA who covered FAR changes in the last year—informative and important. MARY ELLEN McCLEARNON showed a film, "Bahamas Bound," newest release from the Govt. of the Bahamas Tourist Bureau.

Current plans for our Chapter are for forthcoming rummage sale in St. Clair, Mo., and airmarking of St. Clair's Airport, and advance plans for our Silver Anniversary in September.

We were delighted to have as guests, LOIS FEIGENBAUM, Chairman of the Cape Girardeau Chapter, and MARY EVANS of Eldon, Mo., who is Chairman of the North Central Section meeting to be held April 15, 16 and 17 at the luxurious Lodge of the Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, Mo. These girls had so many exciting plans to tell us that we all agreed we just have to go.

Other guests were MARY ANDERSON, Private Pilot from Weiss Airport (potential member); KAY MEYER, Private Pilot from McMillan Service at Lambert Field (another potential 99); and MARY WEISS, Student Pilot. We happily noted that our ranks are growing, so much that the roster can't keep up with them.

Our entire Chapter wishes to express our deepest sympathy to our bereaved sister 99, HILDA HEMMERSMEIR, on the recent sudden death of her 49½er BILL HEMMERSMEIR.

FLYING ACTIVITIES — GOLLY MINER missed the meeting, so we assume she is still basking in the Florida sunshine. EDITH OLOVITCH and 49½er AL just returned from a trip in their new Cherokee 140 to Vail, Colo., where they soloed EDITH on skis from a 12,000 ft. mountain. Added thrill. EDITH reports they found a 50 kt. tailwind at 11,500 ft. on the flight home. VAL JOHNSON and 49½er BELMONT (Dinger) combined business with pleasure on a recent tour of Phoenix, Ariz., and Brownsville, Texas, in their new Bonanza. KIT HEACOCK passed her written Instrument Exam and is preparing for her check ride. GERRY BEETZ, active also in the Women's Junior Chamber of Commerce flies her non-flying friends frequently to Jefferson City for luncheons.

About our newest member, SUE MATHIAS: I first met SUE in, of all places, a reducing salon, where we stood side by side, letting vibrator belts shake us up more than any airplane could do. Hearing her tell of a proposed trip to the Bahamas with the St. Louis Aero Club, I introduced myself and told her to be sure to look up RUTH TAKSEL, VAL JOHNSON, and DOROTHY HAUPT who were making the same jaunt. Much later I was happy to hear that SUE was so impressed with the whole flight, and women flying, that she came home, signed up for lessons, and in something like two months had her private license. We are happy to welcome her to the group and know she'll become one of our most enthusiastic members.

RUTH TAKSEL'S article, "A mission-

ary Airplane" was published in the December issue of "Catholic Digest," condensed from "Flight Magazine." This was the Cessna Skywagon donated to United Missionary Air Training and Transport (UMATT) by St. Louis businessmen and flown to Kenya, Africa, by MAX CONRAD. It will be serviced by BROTHER MIKE STIMAC of the Marianist Order (private pilot, instrumented rated), and flown by SISTER M. THERESE who is a trained medical doctor who learned to fly specifically to do her work among the people of this remote Turkhana desert area.

Until next month, Happy Flying-

DON'T FORGET: "Sky Lady Derby"—Little Rock, Ark., June 17, 1966. Sponsored by the Women's National Aeronautical Association. Our own FRAN HENKE and RUTH LAKE are Chairmen of the race and have promised cash prizes and wonderful trophies. Our St. Louis Chapter is again donating a trophy for the pilot with the least number of hours. For more information contact: FRAN HENKE, Baltezor Road, Rt. 1, St. Peters, Mo., or RUTH LAKE, No. 6 Arrowhead Estates, Chesterfield, Mo.

INDIANA CHAPTER

**Dorothy Smith, Pinch-Hitter
For Reporter Billie Anderson**

The Indiana Chapter met in Fort Wayne on March 20th. MARTY WYALL was our hostess. The weather was beautiful and attendance was great. There were 25 members for the business meeting and 46 for lunch. We were delighted to have as our guest LOIS FEIGENBAUM and her daughter from Cape Girardeau Chapter. LOIS is doing an excellent job of promotion for the North Central Section meeting, which her Chapter will hostess April 15, 16 and 17.

We were happy to see AGNES GALLATIN, OLIVE McCORMICK, JOSEPHINE RICHARDSON and MARGARET RINGENBERG. They have not been able to attend many meetings lately. The newest addition to our Chapter is NOLA KEIL. She was pinned at this meeting. We are proud of all our recent additions. EILEEN RIDGWAY is getting time in a Gyroplane in Muncie and having a ball doing so. BOB and PAULINE GENUNG flew to the meeting in their new Musketeer. PAULINE is working on her Commercial rating. She passed the written last March.

PEG COULTER flew to Sarasota, Fla., to visit her parents. Was there for four glorious days. MARTY WYALL

is the proud owner of a Cessna Skylane. She is overjoyed with it in fact. What a shame she couldn't fly to this meeting, but it would have been a bit awkward since the meeting was held at her base airport. OLIVE McCORMICK has been Marlin fishing off the tip of Baja, Calif. MARGARET PETTY spent two weeks island hopping in Hawaii recently. The vacationing DYKEMAS have done it again. Just returned from Bimini.

KATIE SAGE, DELIA SANDERS and ETHEL KNUTH are making great plans for our 100 percent attendance meeting May 15th. We would like to extend an invitation to any former members of our Chapter to join us on this day. Indianapolis has much to offer out-of-city or state visitors at this time of year. The first day of qualifying opens at the famous 500 mile race track on Saturday, May 14th, along with that there are many other activities for visitors. This may entice the 49½ers. Another major event scheduled that weekend is a balloon race. This should be very interesting for 99s and 49½ers. Keep this date in mind, May 15th, Indianapolis, Weir Cook Airport Hotel. Business meeting 11 a.m., lunch 12:30 p.m. Program to follow lunch. Further information may be obtained from KATIE SAGE. 100% Attendance Day Chairwoman.

IOWA CHAPTER

Mary Lou Ballensky, Reporter

The February Valentine's Day Party was held in the Cloud Room at the Des Moines Municipal Airport with BERNIECE MALLOY furnishing notes from the meeting. (And here are my belated, but nonetheless sincere, thanks for the same, BERNIECE!) Thirty were present including five guests. PHYLLIS HARVEY of Knoxville became a new member of our Chapter.

Having been invited to give a presentation about the 99s at next year's gathering of the Experimental Plane Association, the Chapter laid the groundwork for a light-hearted skit, possibly making use of slides. PHYLLIS BARBER will head the committee-in-charge with other members including KITTY HACH, NATALIE BROWN, LOIS GRANGE and HAZEL SIGA-FOOSE.

The March meeting was held at Ottumwa with LENELLE HUNT and BEA JOBE serving as hostesses. About 10 flew in Saturday, March 12, for a fun night, staying at the Holiday Inn and attending a party at the Ottumwa Country Club at the invitation of the

WARD HUNTS, BEA JOBE and ELI ROSEMAN.

The meeting was held Sunday at the Red Lion in Ottumwa, with a total of 24 members and guests in attendance. LOIS FEIGENBAUM and husband from the Cape Girardeau Chapter were welcome guests. Following a beautiful smorgasbord, LOIS gave us a first hand invitation to the Spring Sectional at the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri.

With Palm Sunday, Easter and the Spring Sectional all crowding into April it was decided to forego our own Chapter meeting for that month. The May meeting will be held in Creston with BETTY JOHNSTON on the 15th.

The Zontas Club of Cedar Rapids has invited the Iowa 99s to attend a luncheon at the Cedar Rapids Airport, Saturday, May 7, to commemorate AMELIA EARHART Day. Our Chairman, BEA JOBE, has been asked to give a short presentation on AMELIA EARHART memorial activities in the 99s organization.

We are delighted to announce Midwest Aviation, at the Ottumwa Airport, is going to sponsor HAZEL SIGA-FOOSE and PHYLLIS BARBER as pilot and co-pilot in the Powder Puff Derby this summer! It is going to be a good spring in Iowa!

We all enjoyed an interesting card from DAWN MILLER, formerly of Iowa, now of Lafayette, Ind. Her husband is busy on the coaching staff at Purdue and DAWN's household is busy with a seven month old baby brother to keep her little future 99 company.

Several of us hope to go to the Spring Sectional — perhaps we can sneak in an impromptu Chapter meeting in our leisure moments at the Lake of the Ozarks.

MICHIGAN CHAPTER

Pat Clark, Reporter

BABE RUTH is the first instructor in Michigan to be re-certificated under the new FAA regulation requiring recertification of instructors every two years.

Skylark, from Detroit City Airport, had a Cessna Skyhawk at the Boat Show. MARILYN SIDWELL distributed 15,000 \$5.00 certificates for a demonstration ride for Skylark. When you consider how often MARILYN gave her one minute spiel with each certificate, this gal really is doing a good job of selling aviation to the general public. She has also passed her commercial written exam on her way to the flight instructor's rating.

SAMMY McKAY flew her 210 Cessna

to Ft. Lauderdale and came back on the airline the next day. SAMMY was actually happy to leave it in Florida, for a new Mitchell auto-pilot is being installed.

MARY PELTO and MARILYN SIDWELL attended the Flight Instructor's Seminar at Flint recently. Some of the language went right over their heads, some in one ear and out the other, but we hope at least a wee bit went in and got stuck, as I am sure it did for both will make great instructors. Noticed quite a few of the 99s attended the mountain flying session of the seminar. Guess who is going West to AWTAR?

PEG SULFRIDGE's husband HUGH and LOIS WASKIN's husband DICK were accepted into the 49½ers with BECKY THACKER officiating. The WASKINS fly a Cherokee 140. The SULFRIDGES just bought a new Cessna Skymaster in partnership with two other doctors. The three doctors were to be checked out in the Skymaster as part of the price of the plane. PEG told the salesman that she would sabotage the sale unless she was included in the instruction. And she got it. Never underestimate the power of a woman. Now they are going even further: the doctors and the sales personnel want to sponsor PEG in the 1967 Powder Puff. Another news item is that PEG's 49½er, HUGH SULFRIDGE, M.D., has volunteered for two months duty in Viet Nam to care for Vietnamese citizens in South Viet Nam Hospitals under the auspices of the People to People Health Foundation, U. S. Public Health Service and AMA. I personally feel we are missing a bet if we do not have PEG and HUGH talk to us on their activities with the People to People program.

We voted to accept four new 99s. They are: LINDA WAREEN, a junior in high school that has accomplished ratings in both single and multi-engine and a glider pilot rating; BEVERLY PRICE, married now with children of her own, but at age 14 she had her first airplane ride with BECKY THACKER when BEVERLY was a Wing Scout. NORMA ETTER, whose husband gave her a Cherokee for Christmas. (He should be a 49½er for he certainly lives up to their by-laws.) But for the time being, husband RUSS will be chief pilot as NORMA is grounded with a cast on her leg for torn ligaments after a fall down a flight of stairs at her daughter's school.

BETTY SAUR, a private pilot with about 80 hours who just bought a new Mooney. She is secretary to the President of Davenport College.

The days are long as ALICE DAVIS waits to fly to Lock Haven this week to pick up her new blue and white Comanche 260B. We are waiting to hear all about your trip, ALICE.

BEA STEADMAN has the Sander-son Course that she will rent to 99s interested in upgrading ratings. Just to set things straight, the rumor about TRIMBLE Aviation being sold are unfounded and are definitely not true; as a matter of fact they are expanding their facilities.

We are glad to have MARGE SANDERS back in Michigan and out to the meetings again. Also JEANETTE SOVEREIGN attended this meeting after an absence of a year. Yours truly gave a talk on the 99s at Clawson High School to a group of adult aviation classes and CAP members.

OZARK CHAPTER

Hazel Matz, Reporter

The details of our February meeting are being kept secret, but our March meeting was held in Springfield with the following present: VELMA HITE, PATTY HURST, JEAN MCCLERNON, JEAN FULDNER, EDYTHE WILCOX and daughter FREDDIE, and myself. Our main item of business was making plans for the Sky Lady Derby stop in Springfield. We also discussed the Spring Sectional. We hope to have a good representation.

PATTY reported a very enjoyable nine days in Mexico. They made the trip by car and wound up on the western side where the weather was perfect. At this same time the weather on the eastern side was horrible and the MATZS can verify that it continued on over to Florida. We TRIED to fly to Sarasota to visit MARY and HAP SCHEAFER (All-Ohio Chapter) but finally made the last leg by rent-a-car.

JEAN FULDNER has returned to school (night classes), VELMA HITE's youngest son is awaiting word as to his acceptance into the Air Force Academy, our youngest is on a sea voyage to Okinawa and that is about all the gossip I learned.

See you next month.

WISCONSIN CHAPTER

Marie A. Mitzenheim, Reporter

A beautiful day for flying brought 36 people to the Fond du Lac Airport



JEAN HAUSER, Wisconsin Chapter, whose determination to fly has overcome a deaf handicap.

Sunday morning where DR. and MRS. J. HUEBNER served coffee before taking the large group to a brunch.

JEAN HAUSER flew in with a Cessna 172 (watch for a story about this enthusiastic pilot). ANNE ROETHKE brought three passengers with her in her Comanche. MR. and MRS. DAVID THOMAS, after studying together and receiving their licenses in October and December, 1965, flew in. LOUISE COMSTOCK piloted a 172 and two passengers from Madison. JOAN HAMMERSTEDT brought her mother up in a new Skyhawk with an orange interior. DR. and DEEDO HEISE arrived in their Flighty Lady. EHREN FATH brought a passenger, DARLENE RADKE, who flies, wing walks and jumps. MR. and MRS. McARTHUR flew a 140 from Baraboo. Several members drove in from distant cities. MISS BEVERLY MORTON applied for membership as she received her license on February 12. She will soon be moving to Miami where she will attend school for a career in aeronautics. Guests attending this meeting were MR. and MRS. J. DIXON, President of Pilot's Club at Fond du Lac, and MR. and MRS. WARD, Vice President of the Club.

CHAIRMAN TONEY conducted a business meeting competing with the airplanes buzzing past the window, as they turned base, for the attention of a room full of pilots.

Did you have problems learning to fly? We proudly present the story of our JEAN HAUSER whose persistence to be a pilot overcame the handicap of deafness.

"Miss JEAN HAUSER, a winsome girl from Hartford, Wisc., who treats handicap as a nuisance rather than a physical handicap, received her private pilot license last July 9 at the FAA flight office at Mitchell Field, Milwaukee, after passing a written test

and completing solo flight requirements.

"Thereby, JEAN became Wisconsin's first deaf person to hold a license to fly an airplane.

"JEANNIE, as she is known to her friends, soloed after 11¼ hours flying instruction, an achievement for her personally considering the average person is expected to solo after 10 hours training.

"It was on June 2, 1963, that JEANNIE went to Hartford Airport and began flying with her instructor in a Piper Colt airplane. Later, on July 28, the same year she was allowed to try her first solo for 20 minutes from takeoff to landing. Difficulties in comprehending the written aviation test delayed the awarding of a pilot's license until July 9, last year.

"Although completely deaf,' her second instructor at the West Bend Flying Service said of JEAN, 'her determination is an example from which other student pilots could truly benefit . . . and more instructors would feel that their job was a gratifying one.'

"The communication problem JEANNIE had when she began flying at the Hartford Airport was solved one day while practicing landings at West Bend where she met ED EMANUEL and discovered that he is familiar with the language of signs which he had learned some 20 years ago as a factory worker where several deaf people were employed.

"Any deaf person who has a yen for flying would do well to make inquiries at the West Bend Flying Service to see if ED EMANUEL is still around there and whether he would be available to instruct.

"With her license secured, JEANNIE has been busy giving airplane rides to her many relatives and friends in her widening flying area. She may fly anywhere and her only restriction is that she cannot land at an airport which is controlled by radio unless she has another pilot with her or has received prior permission by telephone in which case the control tower will give her instructions by light signals for landing and takeoff.

"Does JEANNIE own an airplane? No, not yet. She goes either to Hartford or West Bend airport, rents one, and flies wherever impulse takes her.

"JEANNIE received her education at the Wisconsin School for the Deaf, and for 16 years has worked in the Lock Assembly Division of Briggs-Stratton,

Milwaukee. Her other hobby is golfing and, as EMANUEL put it, 'as far as I can see, her only handicap is the one she gets during the many tournaments she plays in.'

"Although JEANNIE was not the first one licensed to fly, it is nevertheless a rarity indeed to see a deaf flyer. It used to be when the automobile was in its infancy that people were skeptical about deaf persons driving cars. Nowadays it is so commonplace that hardly anyone raises an eyebrow except uninformed ones, including judges and enforcement officials." The W.A.D. Pilot.



ABILENE CHAPTER **Marilyn Schulz, Reporter**

As a pinch-hitter, I will attempt to fill MEL HALL's fine reporting job. The February meeting found yours truly as program hostess. This was a dinner meeting with husbands, inactive members and husbands, and a prospective member, ANN JONES, as guests. The program was presented by BRUCE PUCKETT, Abilene Flite, with films produced by Piper, "Wings Over Baja" and "Wings to the Bahamas." MR. JIM BEARDEN, FAA official and wife were also guests; he covered details of border crossings. An exciting evening for all as RUBY CALDWELL and husband left the next week for the Bahamas accompanied by inactive member MARGARET CHILDS and husband.

The March meeting has found yours truly program hostess again. This is not due to talent—just unable to get away for winter vacation this month either. This meeting was a round robin check of airmarking sites with four planes going on four triangles. At the conclusion of flights, a luncheon was held to discuss the painting when the West Texas breeze slows to less than 30 knots. We were fortunate in being able to schedule two films and COL. SAMPLEY from Dyess AFB. All in all we've had lots of information, some flying and much fellowship especially with our newest member ANN JONES. AMBER CREE and husband BILL have had a month's tour of Trinidad and surrounding islands.

AUSTIN CHAPTER **Peggy Dougal, Reporter**

After phoning around for news this month, I concluded that February and March was fairly uneventful as far as flying was concerned. The only air trip I was able to track down was made by MARY BELLE SMITH and husband LEONARD. They had a pleasant time in Winfield, La., when they flew over to have lunch with LEONARD's family and returned the same day.

Several other members reported that their main endeavor recently had been battling the flu bug, either personally or within their families.

Putting sickness and worries behind, we are looking ahead to two approaching meetings. On March 20 we are invited to join the San Antonio Chapter for their annual Hill County fly-in. Four days later, our Chapter will hold its monthly meeting. We are planning a tour of the recently opened Aviation History Collection on the University of Texas campus. This will be followed by a luncheon and business meeting at the Student Union.

COLORADO CHAPTER **Helen Choun, Acting Reporter**

Holy Amnesia! Don't forget our Super Swinging Sectional! May 20, 21, 22. We are all set for you to have a delightful delirious weekend in cool colorful Colorado.

Congratulations to our new neighbor, the Wyoming Chapter.

My we have been busy! We were guests of the Denver Pilot's Club at Lowry Air Force Base for an Air-Space briefing which was informative as well as interesting. Hangar flying followed during the social hour.

Our February meeting was a combination business and pleasure at JAN and HANK GAMMELL's home. MARIAN TANKERSLEY and MARY FRENZEL provided the entertainment showing pictures of their flight to Alaska for the new members, 49½ers and guests. The interspersed commentary by both girls was hysterical.

Thanks to WEATHERMAN BOWMAN we missed the snow storm just long enough for our flying treasure hunt February 12, to Greeley. GWEN CRAVEN and the girls from Greeley were the perfect hostesses as usual.

We're sorry to lose 49½er HERMAN ENGLEMAN, husband of 99 member MARIE ENGLEMAN, in February.

Recently, 49½er JOHNNY MYERS was presented with his 20 year pin from Frontier Airlines.

DORIS LANGHER now has her heli-



Colorado Chapter fly-in to Greeley, Colo., on February 12. Left to right: EULALIA NICHOLS, VEE SHAWVER, JO DENNIS, MARTHA KENT, GERI KLAGSIAS, LOU ANN VanVALKENBURGH, FREDDA TURRILL, PAULINE MEIGHEN, WEATHERMAN ED BOWMAN, IRENE BIGG3, VIRGILEA SWORTS, HELEN CHOUN, JAN GAMMELL, FRANCES WARNER, CAROL TILFORD, FRIEDA LEBSACK, CAROL IANDOLI, DELENE DOUGHERTY, MARY WALLS, and GWEN CRAVEN, Hostess Chairman.

copter rating to add to her many other ratings.

SHERRY O'KEEFE has transferred to the Nebraska Chapter and VIRGILEA SWORTS to the Wyoming Chapter. Our loss is Nebraska's and Wyoming's gain.

BETTY PFISTER participated in a recent TV show, "Ski Bum" filmed in Aspen, Colo.

EL PASO CHAPTER Mary Olmstead, Reporter

More details about our luncheon meeting held while the Flying Farmers were at their convention in El Paso. Heading the list of FF/99s was LOIS CHISHOLM of Fort Pierce, S. D., wife of DAYTON CHISHOLM, President of the International Flying Farmers; ARLENE WALKUP, Governor of South Central Section and Past IFF Duchess; GENE NORA JESSEN, Vice Governor, South Central Section; POLLY STOEHR (San Gabriel Valley Chapter), Iowa's Past FF Duchess; POLLY's sister, NELLIE MAY ALLENDER of Top of Texas Chapter; and CAROL WADDELL, Vice Chairman of Oklahoma Chapter and current Oklahoma FF Queen.

Our 13 local 99s and five local 66s were delighted that, besides the guests mentioned above, the following FF visitors also walked across San Jacinto Plaza that lovely spring day to lunch with us: MRS. J. V. ROBBINS, Idalou, Texas; FAYE McCONNELL (past 99)

and LAWAYNE KASPARIAN from Dell City, Texas; MRS. J. B. HOLLAND, Kress, Texas; MURIEL SMILY, Dimmett, Texas; TRISH SMITH, wife of Oklahoma FF President SOL SMITH and Tulsa Chapter 99; CLARA LEMONS (past 99), Boulder, Colo.; MRS. CLEVE KERR, El Paso, and MARY ALICE SWINHART from Feasterville, Pa., (neither FF nor 99) who said she never had such an enjoyable time. We wish we had a tape recording of the tales POLLY STOEHR and LELA CARWARDINE told about themselves which kept us all in stitches. Example: When LELA registered for a recent FF trip to Mexico, a bystander male overheard her say her plane was a 120. The gentleman immediately become very upset—asking, "How do you expect to keep up with the Ercoupes, Skylanes, Cherokees, Navions, Bonanzas, Apaches and 310s? Do you realize there are some very high mountains to cross on this trip? Has your plane ever gone to 10,000 feet?" "Yes," said LELA, "I've flown at 12,500 ft." "How long did it take you to get there?" asked the gruff voice and, thanks to our LELA, that gentleman received the perfect squelch—"Two weeks," answered LELA.

When our 99 JACKIE WILLIAMS, wife of our Mayor, presented "Honorary Citizen of El Paso" Certificates to Governor ARLENE WALKUP and Vice Governor GENE NORA JESSEN. Chairman EVELYN WASSER asked JACKIE if, by chance, the honored guests ran afoul of the law while in

our city would MAYOR WILLIAMS bail them out? JACKIE's reply: "My husband never makes rash promises but I can assure you he is wonderful in offering his sympathy."

CAROL WADDELL's story of propping her seaplane in the middle of the lake, sounded like something out of Disneyland. She, ARLENE and GENE NORA have seaplane ratings and our congratulations—and envy.

Other of our visitors contributed their share of interesting experiences and that gives you a taste of what we enjoyed at the luncheon from just a few of the many who kept us laughing.

Chairman EVELYN WASSER says "thank you" to all you wonderful people who sent her letters following the luncheon.

RUTH FLEISHER in Homestead, Fla., wrote that she expects to move into her newly built home on April 1. Good to hear from you, RUTH. Thanks.

Hearty congratulations to our dear friend, INGE GROSS of Morristown, N. J., who is now a member of the Greater New York Chapter.

Our March meeting turned out to be a business meeting at the Skyriders Club—it seemed time to make plans for getting to the May 20th South Central Section meeting at Denver

April 17th (wind-rain date, the following Sunday) will be our fly-in to Deming, N. M., for airmarking. Of course, 49½ers are more than welcome to come to this meeting!

Adios amigos—vaya con Dios.

FORT WORTH CHAPTER

DR. HARRY GIBBONS, our Regional Flight Surgeon, and his wife, were guests of the Fort Worth 99s March 14th. He showed us films, with clever discourse on the evils of drinking and flying. Meeting was held at BETTY JO PARSONS' home.

The pictures were in color—frightening results. Fortunately, very few pilots dare death in this manner, according to the number of pilots, planes and hours flown. DR. GIBBONS aim: to zero the number of accidents caused by alcohol.

A short business meeting was held by BETTY JO PARSONS, Chapter Chairman, with regard to the International Air Race stop, at Waco in May. We hope to help, will fly down to greet, meet the racers, on their flight from Mexico to Florida.

Other business included a "voluntary" fine, for members who do not attend the meeting, of 50 cents, plus having a cake or pie sale, where each member will not bake or sell anything—just "contribute" the money, to enhance the treasury.

Coffee, cookies, fudge and other non-alcoholic beverages were served by BETTY JO after the meeting.

Attending: DOROTHY McLaurin, BRENDA STRICKLER, LAURENE MURPHY, HELEN MORRIS, JEAN WILLIAMS, VERA STUBBS, TONY PAGE, ANITA REILLY, DR. DORA DOUGHERTY. Guests: E. A. "DOC" MORRIS, AL REILLY, MR. and MRS. M. H. SPINKS and MR. PAT SHERMAN.

SOCIAL NOTE: LOU ELLEN FOSTER is on a Caribbean holiday. MARTHA WRIGHT was in Africa for three weeks on a holiday. JIMMIE KOLP left March 14th for a trip which includes Egypt, Lebanon and plans to return in May, via New York. (Color those who are trapped by home and profession or business GREEN.)

NOTE: Members omitted from the 1966 Ninety - Nine Directory include: MALENA RICHARDSON, YVONNE TURNER, JEAN WILLIAMS, SHIRLEY THOMAS, LURENE MURPHY, BILLIE LODEN and BRENDA STRICKLER, a transfer from the Illinois Chapter.

HOUSTON CHAPTER

Louise Bickford, Reporter

Now that spring is well on its way and the weather is improving, the weekends find most of us at the various

airports taking advantage of the opportunity.

MARY BURKE and your reporter made a trip to Houston Northwest Airport where we found DEEDE PERKINS, MABEL EDITH OLIVER and SUZANNE INKLEY. MABEL EDITH was just leaving for a flight to Austin and SUZANNE flew to Hilltop Lakes with a friend.

Two of our members have recently appeared on a TV panel program representing the 99s. The program is sponsored by the League of Women Voters. The panel MARY ABLE was on questioned a Marine recruiting officer on the draft. The week MABEL EDITH was on the panel questioned BUD ADAMS, the owner of the Houston Oilers football team.

Your reporter was very pleased to get a call from SALLY BUEGELEISEN of the Greater New York Chapter. As those of you who read Flying know, she has had articles in the past few issues. SALLY is now working on a travel column for the magazine.

Just learned that BARBARA BERTOLETT, a member of the Petticoat Pilots, has recently passed her check ride. We hope that she will soon be a 99.

Our first attempt at sponsoring a Pinch Hitter Course was quite successful. After the ground school portion was completed, we had a number of women sign up for the flying portion. We have also had several inquiries as to when it would be offered again. MARY COALE, MARY BURKE, MAYBELLE FLETCHER and MARILYN STONEBERG were our capable ground school instructors. A considerable amount of time was expended by these girls in the preparation of operable mock ups of the various flight instruments. They were extremely impressive. Our thanks to all of those who worked so hard in making this project a success.

The Texas Aeronautics Commission is having a Pilots Flight Clinic in Houston the 19th of March. Such topics as "Air Traffic Service Available To Pilots," "Flight Standards Service," "Briefing Yourself On Weather," "Aviation Weather Problems in the Bay Area," "Philosophy of Air Safety," "Landing Accidents," "The Pilot's Role in Preventative Maintenance," "Aviation Medicine," will be discussed and a question and answer session will follow. A program such as this should be of benefit from a student pilot on up.

KANSAS CHAPTER

Mildred Early, Reporter

Our Chapter just logged another year. Instead of a business meeting we celebrated our 15th anniversary with a gala dinner party at the Lancer Club in Wichita. Our 99s are presently busy planning a Tri-Chapter meeting on April 2nd at Ponca City with the Oklahoma and Tulsa Chapters. Hope to have an interesting report on this next month.

We are sorry to report the "Last Flight" of 2 49½ers. MARIE ENGLERMAN's husband HERMAN, and BARBARA TALL'S husband ROBERT. MARIE was a member of our Kansas Chapter for years until her recent transfer to the Colorado Chapter and BARBARA just recently joined us. To MARIE and BARBARA we all extend our deepest sympathy and heartfelt thoughts.

PAT McEWEN will no doubt have trouble keeping her feet on the ground as she is the proud owner of a new Bonanza.

Our loss is Texas' gain! Be sure to look up ED and ESTHER ISAACS in Brownsville. ED is the new manager of the airport there and also doing Public Relations work in assisting with and promoting "crossing the border." We will miss them, but wish them the best of happiness and success in their new venture!

NEBRASKA CHAPTER

Florence M. Boring, Reporter

March weather in Nebraska being what it sometimes is, members of the Nebraska Chapter blew in, rather than flew in, to the Compass Room at the Lincoln Municipal Airport for their monthly meeting March 5. Twelve members were present, in contrast to the 26 members, 49½ers and guests who took advantage of February's beautiful weather to make the York, Nebr., airport their landing place the month before.

Business was concerned mainly with preparations for manning the Kearney, Nebr., stop on the Powder Puff Derby air race next July. A note of interest was added by the showing of color slides taken by Astronauts COOPER and CONRAD from the Gemini 5 spacecraft. Although taken at altitudes of 100 miles or more above the earth, these 70mm slides show amazing detail, such as Cape Kennedy launch pads and airfield runways, and beautiful color from the varying ocean depths.

EVELYN SEDIVY had obtained prizes for the pilot flying the greatest

distance and the pilot landing closest to her ETA. MARIAN LARMON of McCook would easily have won the distance prize had this been the February meeting, but since the March weather was uncooperative, the set of glasses went to SHIRLEY AMEN and the Frontier flight bag to MARTHA PURDY by drawing.

Checking up on the activities of the previous month revealed that SHIRLEY AMEN and JEAN GIVEN had passed their Commercial Pilot's Written Exam and FLORENCE BORING had passed the Instrument Written. MARTHA PURDY became the only woman on the board of the recently-organized Midwest Pilots' Association, of which JEAN GIVEN's husband JEROME is President. BERNIE BAUER, Nebraska 99s only woman flight instructor, has been busy teaching Lincoln Air Force Base Aero Club members the intricacies of the Cessna 150s, 172s and 182s.

Members present at the March meeting were JEAN GIVEN, BARBARA KREJCI, VERDAYNE MENZE and MARTHA PURDY from Omaha; CATHERINE MARSH from Council Bluffs; SHIRLEY AMEN, BERNIE BAUER, FLORENCE BORING, LOIS DURHAM, CAROL MISCHNICK, EVELYN SNOW and EVELYN SEDIVY from Lincoln.

OKLAHOMA CHAPTER

CAROL WADDELL, TRICIA SMITH (Tulsa Chapter) and ARLENE WALKUP went to El Paso with GENE NORA JESSEN (Kansas) for the Texas Flying Farmer meeting. On the way down they stopped in Plainview to have lunch with the Top of Texas Chapter. Had poor luck in meeting the gals but did meet two prospective members and had a short chat with MARGE MITCHELL, Chairman. MARGE had to make a charter trip to Ft. Collins, Colo., a few minutes after they arrived.

MARIE KETCHUM, TRICIA SMITH, MARTHA THOMASON, CAROL WADDELL and ARLENE WALKUP flew to Lawton for a Flying Farmer meeting. MARY CORNELSEN, MARIE and CAROL were at ARLENE's for another meeting a week later. MIMI HAYWORTH dropped by for a visit while they were there.

BRONETA EVANS met with the AE Scholarship Committee at VELMA WOODWARD's early in March. VELMA then flew with ALICE HAMMOND to Florida—visiting the Tennessee and Cape Girardeau Chapters on the way—returning to OKC by ferrying a new Cherokee for Catlin Aviation.

NANCY FRITH was a member of the



BERNIE BAUER, Nebraska Ninety-Nines' only woman flight instructor, gives cockpit preflight instruction to a member of the Lincoln Air Force Base S.A.C. Aero Club.

"Unsinkable Molly Brown" cast. She also flew in the flying meet between OSU Flying Aggies and Tonkawa's Flying Mavericks. LOU SKILLERN, Oklahoma Chapter Airmarking Chairman, has been corresponding with MARY ABLE (Houston) and KEITH LUTZ, Director of Oklahoma's Aeronautics Commission. The Commission will furnish the paint for airmarking Altus.

WALLY FUNK reports that she is in Algiers and has had a wonderful time on the world tour she has been on for the last year. She'll be home in May. NEMA and ARLENE visited the Tulsa Chapter March 8. They spent the night with former Oklahoma Chapter member JEAN WILLIAMS with a fun meeting at the home of SHIRLEY GREENBURG. They flew to OKC from Tulsa and visited with SUSIE SEWELL, BRO-

NETA EVANS, CAROL CRAIG (99 Headquarters Secretary) and said howdy to busy DOTTIE YOUNG.

MARTHA THOMASON and family flew to Hobbs, N. M., the weekend of March 12. MARY LESTER reports that they have sold the Bonanza but still have the 172.

BETTY BLACK has a new son-in-law. FERN YOUNT has been on jury duty—she also won high trophy in the city bowling tournament. JO PETROPOLY is engaged! DONNA PAULSON has been working with the March of Dimes. FRAN BLAIR has seven students, she says OSU has five girl student pilots.

Despite horrible weather we had the best attendance at our last meeting at NEMA MASONHALL's, Minco. NEMA is Secretary of the South Central Section. There were five guests: BILLIE JO KINNARD (whom we gave an application); WAYNA LEE DUFFER from Altus; LUCILE PREGLER (a student pilot); NANCY ORCUTT (a private pilot); and IRBY KEEN. One 49½er EDESEL CORNELSEN, and 20 members. LUCILLE's husband bought a Twin Comanche and learned to fly in it. He has his Private with a multi-engine rating but no single! RITA EAVES gave a progress report on the airplane husband LEON-

PLAN AHEAD

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ARD is building for her.

Coming up—April 2nd, a joint meeting with Kansas (as hostess), Tulsa and Oklahoma Chapters at Ponca City.

SHREVEPORT CHAPTER

Martha Christy, Reporter

We haven't enlarged our membership this month but have enlarged our airplane ownership! The HENLEYS, SARAH and GEORGE, have a gold and white 140 Cessna and from the reports my way it is a doll, the interior is most glamorous and SARAH is checking out in the conventional gear, in fact she may have soloed by now. JENNY and DON McWILLIAMS have a Cessna 185—haven't seen it but did hear that JENNY was co-pilot on a Twin Beech flight to Odessa, Texas, and really profited from the experience, night time and twin time all at once.

Have any of you been visiting in Memphis recently? May I recommend that on your next flight to this Tennessee city you stop at Memphis Aero. I was so impressed that I would like for all of you to enjoy this same hospitality. The greeting was warm, the free coffee hot, hand lotion in the powder room (and after getting my hand soaked with gas draining the sumps before taking off on the trip this was welcomed) and a courtesy car too! Maybe they especially like female pilots, but the gentlemen seemed to be getting equally good service.

Our Downtown Airport has added a pilots lounge, we have long needed this addition and we are delighted with it. 'Til now there was little place to sit and wait for weather or whatever the hold up and no where to unfold a map and scan it in leisure and this is the answer. Do come and check it out this fall when we host the Sectional!

TULSA CHAPTER

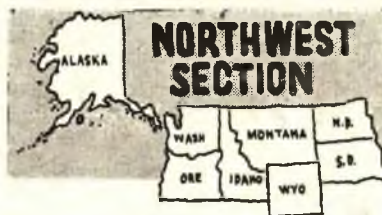
Jean Engler, Reporter

This will be brief since I didn't make it home in time for the meeting. SHIRLEY GREENBERG was March hostess to the regular crew and NEMA MASONHALL and ARLENE WALKUP.

LEA BAKER was in Phoenix so JEAN WILLIAMS sat in for her.

Sorry you glider enthusiasts missed the beautiful sight of gliders darting in and out of the Swiss Alps. There's very little wind there, but lots of skill. Some of the skiers are flown up to the top of the glacier and ski down.

Next month I plan to be well of my virus and attend the meeting and come up with something in the way of a newsletter.



EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

Helen R. Crum, Reporter

This month's meeting March 4th was held at Chairman JEAN CARBON's home in Spokane. She is looking forward to March 15th when she can sit down again after having her cast removed. Those present were LYGIE HAGAN—just back from a flying trip to Mexico and about to take off in April for Puerto Rico—GINNY HARPER, MILLIE SHINN, BARBARA THISTED, TERRIE BECKER, FRANCIE GIBSON, HELEN DEWEY and JEAN. (What is the matter with Yakima?)

We have \$150 in the treasury and five flying grandmothers by count. MILLIE has been busy as Chairman for the Section Nominating Committee. Nominations were made for Section officers. Plans for the banquet in Seattle before the beginning of the race were discussed and probable dates of September 16, 17 and 18 for the Fall Sectional in Spokane were suggested. Four prospective new members from Moses Lake, Richland and Idaho have been sent invitations.

The April meeting will be in Everett before returning home from the Sectional and in May we will meet in Pendleton with the Oregon Chapter members.

TERRIE has taken the written for her commercial and FRANCIE is working on hers. GINNY HARPER (whose son, by the way, is an appointee for entrance to the Air Force Academy) and CHERIE YATES hope to have their instrument ratings soon. CHERIE has set such a good example that her husband has enthusiastically started flying lessons. GINI RICHARDSON has returned from a flight to Berkeley where she attended the National Figure Skating competition. She is looking forward to the big race again. The WIKSTROMS have returned from their flight to Mexico and NETTLESHIPS from their San Diego vacation in the new Bonanza. BONNIE and CHET HENSON are on a flying picture taking tour of Guatemala for another travelogue. KATHLEEN HITCHCOCK must have hundreds and hundreds of hours as co-pilot in the Baron—the new one.

FAR WEST CHAPTER

Barbara LaRue, Reporter

Due to adverse weather, two meetings were held simultaneously in February. LYNNE MAHLBERG was hostess to VIRGIE HAYDEN, JOANNE OLDER and guests JIMMY ADAMS, DORIS MATHEWS AND SANDY WHITE of Abbotsford, B. C., in Bellingham. MARY KOCHANNEK and BARBARA LaRUE met in Port Angeles with BARBARA SANDS as a guest. MARGARET LAYTON flew to BLI but returned home immediately, a jump ahead of the weather.

Our Chapter is growing rapidly: JOANNE OLDER is our newest member and JIMMY ADAMS, an ex-WASP, will soon join. DORIS MATHEWS reports several from the Abbotsford area are interested.

DR. and ELENE DUNCAN have just returned from a well-earned flying vacation, visiting Lake Tahoe and San Diego among other places.

The MAHLBERG family recently returned from a vacation in southern California where they toured Disneyland and reported a wonderful time. On the flight they encountered all types of weather which LYNNE has promised to tell us about whenever we can get together.

BETTY WADSWORTH was a 2nd place winner in a Civil Defense Air Services practice mission over Vancouver Island. JOHN CLARK served as observer and they scored 80 points (1st place scored 81), flying in BETTY's Stinson. Sounded like a lot of fun as well as good practice.

Plans are in the final stage for our fund-raising project, the Spring Art Show at Dungeness March 26-27. By the time this reaches you, we hope to report a resounding success.

IDAHO CHAPTER

Jacque Batt, Reporter

The March 2nd meeting was held at CLAIRE JUSTAD's lovely newly remodeled home. We made the final plans for the hangar dance coming up April 2nd. VELDA BELL reported on the progress of the dance committee, and she distributed tickets for members to sell and, also, posters to be placed at the various airports of the surrounding Boise area. Following the business meeting an aerial film was shown in which our friend, MARY KILBOURNE of Eastern Idaho, played a part. It was an interesting film and fun to see MARY.

MONTANA CHAPTER

Bev. Ledbetter, Reporter

The February meeting was held in Helena and again bad weather kept many away. Only one airplane arrived: PAT ECTON, Manhattan, with guest JEANNE MATTSON who has a private license and will soon be a member. Others present were LU NELSON, DOTTIE PAYNE and BETTY NUNN who drove over from Great Falls; ELSIE CHILDS, HELEN DUNLOP and a guest, MINNIE ERICKSON, from Helena.

Colored slides of the spot landing contest at Hamilton were shown along with some taken at the Section meeting in Medford. GLEN CHILDS took the pictures and also showed them at the meeting.

LOUISE BUTCHER who was hostess for the March meeting held in Lewistown had a heart to heart talk with the weatherman and arranged for clear sunny skies over the entire state for that Saturday.

Airplanes of every description and loaded with 99s converged on this centrally located town. From Missoula, flying a Cessna 182, was PAT ROEMER with passengers KARIN RIBI, JIMMIE KUHN and her young male companion who was enjoying his first airplane ride.

From Helena in their Stinson came HELEN DUNLOP and ELSIE CHILDS along with PAT JOHNSON and a guest of HELEN'S.

MARGARET TUXILL, flying her Swift arrived from Rexford. A Cessna 172 with pilot KAY WIDMER at the controls and passengers DOROTHY SABO and PUD LOVELACE arrived from Bozeman. VIVIENNE SCHRANK and husband MILTON flying their Cruiser were early arrivals, along with PEARL MAGILL, Glasgow, in her Cessna 120.

LAULETTE HANSEN flew under the hood from Havre with BEV. LEDBETTER as observer. GRACE NESS, a student pilot, and ERMAL, LAULETTE'S husband, were interested passengers throughout the flight and IFR approach. LU NELSON and BETTY NUNN skimmed around the Highlands from Great Falls in the Air Coupe, and from Malta, RHODA JOHNSON, a student pilot building up solo cross-country time joined the group as a guest, until she has that special license.

The meeting and luncheon was held at the Yogo Inn where LOUISE introduced two private pilots living in Lewis-

town, CAROL FRAZER and JOAN ORLEY. New members soon we hope.

Main item of business was Big Sky Race No. 3 to be held August 6. The race will start in Glasgow and end in Lewistown. It will be a "fun type race" patterned after the Oregon Petti-coat Derby rather than a "speed race". Co-chairman will be PEARL MAGILL and BEV. LEDBETTER. Chairman ELSIE announced that PAT ROEMER had been elected to the N. W. Section Nominating Committee.

The April meeting will be in Missoula on April 23.

Big Sky Flying: Congratulations go to PEARL MAGILL, an AMELIA EARHART Scholarship applicant from the Chapter. She received notice that her application had passed the Section and had gone to the International Committee for further consideration. We have our fingers crossed. PEARL is conducting ground school classes for 10 students at the present time.

Congratulations also to MARY STEVENSON who received her instrument rating. She and husband JACK just returned from San Francisco where JACK attended a lumbermans convention. Flying IFR to Reno, they put to use the instrument rating MARY had earned.

MARGARET TUXILL, who has the distinction of being the grandmother with the most grandchildren in the Chapter, recently passed the commercial written.

Welcome home BETTY NUNN! BETTY, one of our more faithful members returned to Great Falls after being away almost a year.

VIVIENNE and MILTON SCHRANK are extending a special invitation to all 99 members to attend the dedication ceremonies on May 15th at the Jordon airport. The snow has been deep on the new Jordon runway this winter and VIVIENNE'S flying has been limited to a flight to Sidney for the basketball tournaments, but she promises, "no snow in May". She and MILTON have exciting plans for this summer, a trip to Alaska.

To close this months news, I would like to give a very special "Thanks" to my husband and instructor who exercised an unusual amount of patience during the long, trying time leading up to my commercial flight check. I received my commercial license today and if he never receives a reward on earth, I am sure he will be rewarded

in heaven. We are still speaking and, stranger yet, still like each other. See you in Missoula.

WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

Pat McGee, Reporter

As July draws closer the activity increases, although it is pretty much restricted to the key committee chairmen at the moment. ILOVENE POTTER finds now that nearly four hours of every day are devoted to planning and coordinating Race and Convention activities, in her capacity as co-chairman. Race chairman HELEN APPEL continues to work at her full-time job but finds that she has less and less time to give to any spare-time activities other than the Derby.

The entire chapter is looking forward to a visit shortly from RUBY KEAVENY and MARIAN BANKS, who will go over the "small print" with us and give us many tips on the way to accomplish the many details still to be done. Although they will have an extremely heavy schedule while here, we are hoping they will be able to take time to participate in the Seattle Chamber of Commerce Aviation Day luncheon on March 25th. The Ninety-Nines will be recognized that day and information about the Derby start will be included on the program.

VERA COREY, long-time member whose job keeps her from coming to meetings, nevertheless, participates in every way she can in Chapter activities. For a year she kept the scrapbook — doing the best she could with what she had to work with! Now she has undertaken a project for JAY LAWRENCE and is making flowers to be used on the table decorations. DOTTIE DAUB, former San Diego member, is assisting with this project too.

LOUISE NIEMI called the other day to say that she and husband BILL have moved back into town from Redmond, making it much easier for LOUISE to get into the swing of this Convention year.

BETH OLIVER attended her first meeting here in February, transferring here from Minnesota where she had just transferred from Ohio. Her 49½er, BARRY, a Northwest Orient Airlines pilot, had a couple of rapid transfers and they ended up in Seattle. We are happy to welcome BETH and have many plans to keep her busy in the coming months!

GINNY ANDREWS, 49½er NICK and son TOBY made a recent flight into

Oregon in their 172. Their intended destination was Troutdale but winds up to 50 mph daunted them and they went to Hillsboro instead. They must have brought those Oregon winds back with them because we've had them here ever since!

We are all looking forward to welcoming HUNDREDS of you here in Seattle for the convention and race start. Look forward to having a wonderful time!

PENDING WILLAMETTE VALLEY CHAPTER

Jean Capizzi, Reporter

Eleven 99s met at the rainy Eugene airport on March 9 to elect officers for our new Chapter. BONNIE BRADFORD will be our first Chairman, with LOU WICKS as Vice-Chairman, JEAN ABBOTT as Secretary-Treasurer and JANE CAPIZZI as News Reporter.

The third Wednesday of the month was agreeable with all as a regular meeting date—visitors welcome. Speaking of visitors, CLEO MORRISON BETTENG, who used to fly with the Long Beach, California, 99s joined us.

Several members are hoping to attend the Spring Sectional and the International Convention.

Due to our long rainy spring, only CHAIRMAN BYERS - JONES had a flight to report—a lovely five-day skiing trip to Reno in her Skylane.

P. S. The accent is on the second syllable — Willam'ette.

(ED NOTE: The Willamette news is carried as a "pending Chapter" since official notice of the Chapter has not been received and, as of press time, Headquarters has no Charter date. We'll hope by next issue all will be official and congratulations in order.)

WYOMING CHAPTER

Dorothy Misner, Reporter

Sunday, February 27, being a beautiful day, plus the fact that the regularly scheduled meeting on the 12th of February had to be abandoned due to a lack of members to attend, MABEL ANESI, Chairman, Lander, called a special meeting and flew to Worland in her Piper Cherokee. BETTY ADAMS, MARIE ENGLEMAN and myself, being the only members available, met her at the Worland airport for a short business meeting.

Since our January and February meetings, which were to be held in Lander, never occurred for various rea-

sons, MABEL, with a little hesitation, invited us to try again for our March meeting in Lander the 12th at 10 a.m.

Third time must be a charm, it was for us anyway. Saturday, March 12th, was simply *cavu*. ELAINE MONCUR arrived at the Worland airport in her Volkswagen from Powell and we boarded BETTY ADAMS' Cessna 172 and taxiing out for departure discovered her radio was out of operation. So, we had to delay long enough to taxi back to Sky Aviation hangar and see if we could find the difficulty. Being unable to discover it, we decided to cancel our flight plan, but not the flight. Darned if we were going to let a little old radio keep us from getting to Lander this time.

We stopped in Thermopolis and picked up MRS. DALE SWORTS (VIRGILEA) who recently moved to Thermopolis from Louisville, Colorado, where she was a member of the Colorado Chapter of 99s. We will be happy to have VIRGILEA as a transfer as soon as she gets unpacked and can find her transfer application.

MABEL ANESI and GEORGIA FIKE greeted us when we landed in Lander, an hour late, due to the radio delay. They also told us that PAULINE POWERS and EDITH COXEN, Greybull, had driven to Worland, expecting to catch a flight on to Lander with NIKI WEAVER. But NIKI WEAVER being all tied up with science fairs and wrestling matches with her teenagers and MARIE ENGLEMAN down with the flu, PAULINE and EDITH continued their drive to Lander.

Powder Puff Derby

By Marion Andrews Lopez

Requests for entry kits for the 20th Anniversary Powder Puff Derby have reached an all time high, 30 above the same number last year at this time. The list of donors is stacking up gratifyingly. Piper Aircraft has come through with a considerable increase over their previous donations for which we are most appreciative. They must like the way you gals have been flying their airplanes. WCBS has also contributed substantially. You will be hearing more about their participation later. Air Facts, Beech, Sanderson Films and a friend of the Michigan Chapter are on the list of financial backers. Shell Oil Co. has again given a nice national

contribution which means there should be no soliciting on the regional level please. Alice Hammond is winding up the route survey the first part of this month. She was weathered out of Kearney so will catch that stop on her way back from Florida.

Big news this month is the completion of arrangements for philatelic covers having a cachet on the front of the envelope especially designed to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the Powder Puff Derby. These will be Simplex time stamped at takeoff in Seattle, flown to Clearwater, where they will be cancelled by the Post Office. The covers will make nice souvenirs and mementos to send to family and friends.

AWTAR Headquarters cry for help was heard in Connecticut. Peg Davidson, past Chairman of the Connecticut Chapter, spent a day at Teterboro working on the contestant card file and extended an offer for her Chapter to work on the scrap books. If anyone feels ambitious, do drop in at Headquarters. There are many odd jobs to be done, especially at this time of year, that need no previous experience. Assembling kits, stuffing envelopes, sorting papers, stapling, licking stamps and sealing envelopes, filing and compiling to name a few.

Although we know there have been some magazine articles on the coming 1966 race, we have not received one clipping. Please do clip these articles and send them in before you discard the magazines. While you are about it, if you have any clippings of the 1932 and/or 1963 races send those along too.

Our scrapbooks are rather thin for those years especially 1963.

The deadline date for mailing of entry forms for the 1966 race is June 1st.

Send 50c for entry kit and necessary information to AWTAR, Inc., Teterboro Airport, Teterboro, New Jersey 07608.

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