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DEADLINE FOR NEWS —
The 20th of the Month

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President's Column

Spring has sprung! And with the new growth of Spring, there also comes a renewed desire to improve . . . upgrade . . . do something constructive. Everything seems to take a 'new lease on life' about this time of year and it should be no different with the Ninety Nines.

This is the month of Spring Section meetings . . . so be sure you plan to attend yours. It is too late for you to send that nomination, resolution, or application for the AE Scholarship, but it is not too late for you to make your contributions to the AE Fund or the AWTAR. Wouldn't it be wonderful if each chapter would send in their contributions NOW and when the reports are read at convention, we would have the TOTAL amounts given and EVERY CHAPTER contributing?

This is also the month your Executive Board meets to determine the actions of your organization. Have you made your suggestion to them? Or are you going to wait until the Board does something and then grumble because they didn't do what you thought they should? Just for a moment, let's consider IMPROVEMENT THROUGH COMMUNICATIONS. All of us are working for the betterment of the Ninety Nines. We want to improve our organization but we can't possibly know what the majority of the mem-

bership wants unless you COMMUNICATE. Perhaps you have an idea on fund raising that no one else has thought about . . . tell it! Or you have an idea on how to interest your community airport on sponsoring a race stop . . . tell it! Or you know a group of women who would like to become Ninety Nines but aren't sure of the procedures . . . tell them! It is only through letting our wants and wishes be made known, that we get them accomplished.

MARY VIAL, Phoenix Chairman, and I had such a delightful time with LADY McREYNOLDS, Tennessee Chairman, during her visit in Phoenix. We had lunch together around the pool and talked about (of all things) flying! LADY told us what a wonderful job EVELYN BRYAN JOHNSON is doing on the Morristown Airport. LADY believe the ability and interest EVELYN has shown in Morristown, is responsible for the industry Morristown enjoys. Did you know ALL deliveries to the plants in Morristown are made by air?

I am sure we have many members who have done many things quietly . . . Sometime it would be nice to have a 'horn blowing' and learn about our many members. Anyone for sending a note about someone special in your chapter?

I drove to Prescott last week for a meeting with the Northern Arizona Chapter. The weatherman said DON'T FLY . . . and would you believe it was absolutely beautiful all the way? It shouldn't be too long before we have a Prescott Chapter . . . there are almost five who fly and they are very interested in becoming 99s. The speaker for the luncheon was CAPT. LEDBETTER of American Airlines, who spoke on safety. His thinking is PRIDE causing the most of the fatal accidents. Too much pride to execute a 180. Makes sense. He holds the commercial speed records for trips from New York to San Francisco and Chicago to Mexico City, has something like 35,000 flying hours and admits it is still hard for him to make a 180 . . . but has on many occasions. A word to the wise?

Convention time is drawing near . . . are your plans made? Am looking forward to seeing YOU in Washington. Happy communicating . . .

ATTENTION TREASURERS !!

FINAL NOTICE: Reminder to all **Treasurers** — if you have not received your Chapter's and /or Section's refund check from your chairman and/or Governor, to whom the refund check was sent in February, contact her for the check, and please cash immediately.

As of May 31st, 1967, all uncashed refund checks will be voided.

Ruth N. Rueckert,
Treasurer, 99s.



"Oh, oh GRANNY . . . You forgot to fasten your safety belt!" Checklists are important even for 1912 Curtiss pusher aircraft ! ! ! (Photo by Jim Larsen, Bellevue, Washington).

True Confession:

I WAS A TRANSVESTITE FOR THE 99s

NEVER UNDERESTIMATE THE POWER OF A WOMAN, the ads say. Believe me, they know what they're talking about. Take the Powder Puff Derby, for example. I've known a number of the girls in it, and have always taken it pretty much for granted. When Seattle was the starting spot for 1966, I got a good look at the real work involved, and found that it started nearly three years before!

But that's getting a head of my story. My name is PETE BOWERS. I live in Seattle and am quite active with homebuilt and antique airplanes, flying them at air shows throughout the Northwest. Well, when the girls of

the Western Washington Chapter of the 99s were planning the 1966 Powder Puff Derby, they wanted an off-beat gimmick for the Start. ILOVENE POTTER was to cut the ribbon with her helicopter, but they needed something else. Someone suggested that I be invited to dress like my own grandmother and fly my 1912 Curtiss pusher replica across the line as the first plane off. Everyone thought it was a hilarious idea, but doubted that I would go for it. ILOVENE was directed to ask me anyhow.

Well, with a little hemming and hawing, she did, and I agreed to the idea. The immediate problem was one

of costume — one doesn't casually pick up "granny" dresses for a six-foot-two, 200-pound male type. This was resolved by JAY LAWRENCE, who loaned a calico from her square dancing club. The rest of the outfit was up to me and truned into a real adventure.

Starting from the inside out, I went looking for lower-level undies. I wanted some leotards, preferably with horizontal stripes, but no leotards or long stockings could be found — period! I solved this one by taking a set of thermal ski longies and painting red stripes on them to make them look like striped stockings. The bottoms

were painted black for a few inches above the after-ski boots I was to wear; from a short distance this gave the effect of high button shoes.

Before JAY came up with the dress, I had gone looking on my own and entered a clothing exchange store. When I told the lady what I wanted the outfit for, she didn't say much but I knew what she was thinking. She didn't have a suitable dress, but I spotted the most ridiculous wide-brim straw hat with flowers, a set of lace-edged calico pettipants that fit, and a fabulous wig. The wig was for sale on consignment for \$35 and the gag wasn't worth that much to me. The proprietress couldn't lend or rent it to me herself, but did agree to call the owner. Since she wasn't home at the moment, I said I'd come back after looking elsewhere for a dress. When I did return, there were several customers in the shop and the proprietress was busy telling them about her strange customer. Just then her seven-year old daughter spotted me coming in the door and ran to the back of the store shouting "Mommie! That man's back!" While the customers edged away from the nutty aviator, the proprietress told me that I could borrow the wig. Since I'd already tried it on, the customers didn't get to see the nut in action.

ILOVENE brought the dress to the airport where I kept the pusher. There we had a tryout and took some publicity shots for the papers. The dress was OK for length, but was snug on the upper deck. No room for falsies even if I had agreed to them, which I hadn't. I told ILOVENE that I'd fly contoured like AMELIA — pretty flat.

As is well known, the scheduled July 2nd start was rained out. The costume took a bit of a beating, too. However, when things did get under way two days later, the gag was a howling success. "GRANNY," who had originally been designated "CONTESTANT ZERO," moved up to the No. 1 spot when the real No. 1 dropped out and the pusher got a new number. "GRANNY" mixed with the 99s in the pre-race loading of the planes, was photographed by many, and attended the briefing on the flight line. Arrangements had been made for a small girl picked from the audience to present "GRANNY" with a bouquet of artificial flowers in a little ceremony on the announcer's stand. This was done, and I tied them to one of the pusher's struts. These were artificial

by prearrangement so that they would stay together at the pusher's terrific 45 MPH cruising speed.

For the takeoff, I traded the wide-brimmed straw for helmet and goggles, which didn't fit well over the wig. The voluminous skirt wasn't a problem — the seat belt held it down. ILOVENE started the action with her helicopter, after which I backed off a couple of hundred yards from the starting line in order to be able to fly over it. Even when taxiing the pusher puts on a good show. It can't be steered, so "GRANNY" had to stop at every turn and lift the nose around to aim it in the desired direction. After takeoff, I buzzed the flagman, who dived flat onto the runway. A photographer for the Seattle Times got a good picture of this and the Associated Press got it into papers all over the country. I flew on to the far end of the runway and landed, and then got the heck out of the way!

I don't think that you girls, who think nothing of doing 150-200 MPH on your cross-countries, realize what a marginal flying machine that pusher is. It has a cruising speed of 45 MPH and a rate of climb of only 100 feet per minute, which means its service ceiling is sea level (slightly below on a hot day). Airports have to be chosen with careful consideration of departure routes — it takes seven and one-half miles on a straight-out departure to reach 1000 feet! You can tell pretty accurately how much gas is aboard by the way the ship handles, and those flowers on the strut had a noticeable effect on speed and climb. It's strictly a fun machine—even more so when an adventure like the 1966 AWTAR comes along. My hearty thanks to the Western Washington Chapter for their invitation and subsequent assistance.

Ed Note—Do you have the application forms for the '67 AWTAR, GRANNY?

Moved . . .

International Secretary GENE NORA JESSEN has a new address . . . 2814 Cassia, Boise, Idaho, 83705. Make the change 'rat row' in your roster before you forget! All our 99 best wishes go out to GENE NORA and BOB for unparalleled success in their new venture . . . Idaho Beechcraft located on the Boise Airport.

Patter by Peg

PRES. ALICE says we need to COMMUNICATE . . . I agree and so I will! Besides I have a sneaky, inside track to getting past the Editor's shopping block, huh?

A DEADLINE is a DEADLINE, is a DEADLINE . . . and that 20th one is "sumpin' else!" I never realized how many trips I took departing on the 19th . . . or how many luncheons I was invited to on the 20th . . . or how many chapter meetings seem to be scheduled on the 20th! But now that I am aware of the concentration of activities, why don't we change the DEADLINE to the 25th? . . . that would give us all a few day's grace. But then that would interfere with Christmas . . . so let's make it the 30th. But there's always the End Of the Month Sales in the better department stores to take into consideration, to say nothing of New Years Eve! Well, let's make it the 10th of the month . . . but many of the 30-day Open Accounts require attention 'on or before the 10th of the month' . . . the 15th? . . . Oh no that's Pay Day and we must start spending our 49½er's hard-earned money!

SO . . . we're right back to the 20th again. Guess we just must live with it since there was a reason for it's initial choice due to scheduling at the printer's. The primary aim is to get the NEWS to the 99 membership in the least possible time (finances considered of course). Adding that 'last minute' copy just confuses and slows down the process.

Just one more bit of COMMUNICATING . . . in case there's any question, the 20th DEADLINE means in my hands on the 20th . . . not postmarked the 20th. My goal is winding up all editing with the copy that arrives on the 20th and have it in the mail to the printer by 5 p.m. (Course my friend, the Postmaster, had to open the back door once since this 'haste--make-waste' editor forgot her money to pay the Certified postage!) . . . so keep the reports coming . . . on or before the 20th that is . . . please???

As my co-pilot in the AWTAR used to periodically say, "We still frens?"

A LETTER OF INQUIRY TO PRES.
ALICE ROBERTS . . .

Can You Help?

It has been recommended to me by MRS. BETTY HUYLER GILLIES that I write to you for certain informations and materials I am interested in obtaining.

May I please request the names, ranks, and the decorations awarded to the various women pilots of the Air Force Ferry Command during World War II, and also to obtain their photographs and if possible a little biographical and statistical information on these various women?

I am a member of several military air historical research organizations which include Air Britain, Gruppe 66, Cross and Cockade and the Cassidy Research Group. In these various organizations, we cover all aspects of military aviation including the important personalities as well as technical and historical matters. I have been requested to secure this information and material because of the growing historical interest concerning women in international military aviation.

In addition, I should like to obtain any and all information, photographs and the address where I can contact MISS ELSIE S. OTT, who was a nurse during World War II and has been awarded the DSC, I believe.

If you cannot help me in any one of these various areas, may I please request that you direct me to someone who can assist me to obtain the requested information and material?

Thanking you in advance for your very kind interest, attention, and reply.

Sincerely yours,
DON CHALIF
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Santa Barbara, Calif.
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1967 Ninety-Nines International Convention

It's coming — the big event of the year — our Ninety-Nines International Convention, June 28-July 2, at the beautiful Shoreham Hotel and Motor Inn in Washington, D. C.

Plan now to fly to Dulles International Airport, where a warm welcome will be awaiting you as well as a tour of one of the world's most unique and beautiful airports.

Then off for a lovely drive through the Virginia countryside and our exciting nation's capital to the Shoreham Hotel.

That evening greet old acquaintances, make new friends, welcome our overseas members, and learn about flying in foreign countries at a Get-Acquainted Party.

During the days that follow, enjoy a rare opportunity to visit some of the foreign embassies, see the White House, attend an outstanding ceremony at the Smithsonian Institution, be a part of the International Tree Planting Ceremony at Dulles International Airport, go sightseeing and do many other interesting things.

Your evenings can be just as fun filled. Tour the city and see; embassies, government buildings, the

capitol, our Constitution and Bill of Rights, the Lincoln, Washington, and Jefferson Monuments, Iwo Jima Statue, etc; dine and dance under the stars with famous entertainers on the Terrace of the Shoreham Hotel; attend some of the finest musical and dramatic entertainment under the stars at the Carter Barron Amphitheater and outstanding stage productions at the National Theater; hear fine, free Capitol Band Concerts and Watergate Concerts by the various military bands; dance on a moonlight cruise down the Potomac River, attend various parades and ceremonies such as: formal changing of the Honor Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, Marine Corps Evening Parade, Military Tattoo Ceremonies and Marine Corps Memorial Ceremony at Iwo Jima Memorial; visit the Wax Museum and various Smithsonian Museums, etc. These are just a few of the possibilities.

Besides sightseeing, the children can enjoy one of the world's finest zoos with the greatest selection and variety of wild animals and birds to be found anywhere. Outstanding are two Komodo Dragons, Mobini, the famed white tiger, the only collection of flying foxes in the country and three species out of five existing rhinos and Pigmy Hippopotami. All can be seen at the National Zoological Park in Rock Creek Park just three blocks from the hotel.

For sport lovers there is: horseback riding in Rock Creek Park, canoeing and boating on the Potomac River, pedal boating on the Tidal Basin, public golf course, or free swimming at the Shoreham hotel.

By now you are probably hungry. Join your friends at the Award Luncheon where past Presidents and former Amelia Earhart Scholarship Winners will be honored. Then attend one of the highlights — International Banquet Night. Here you will meet interesting personalities and help honor our overseas members and their ambassadors.

On the serious side is our annual Convention meeting. Here you become a participant in helping to govern and guide our organization on to greater heights.

The opportunity for service, fun, and adventure can all be yours. Just pack up your bag and set your course to our Ninety-Nines International Convention on June 28 - July 2 in Washington, D. C.

Aerial Color Photo Contest

INTEREST, EXCITEMENT, ACTION! CAMERA!! Click! There is the prize winning photo! To the Winner: A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY WEEK-END in your favorite vacation spot! And now your name on your prize winning photo will go 'around the world' as well as the good old USA! Plus doing your own country a real service in stimulating interest in SEEING THE USA!

The Aerial Color Photo Contest really is catching on — excitement and interest mounts and competition grows keener as all camera "bugs" get the word. From all sides come comments: "What a novel idea!" "Great! How low can we fly?" "Say, does one from a Blimp count?" "What! Only four slides?" "We're getting someone to keep our kids overnight so we can take both late day and early morning shots!" And so it goes! Don't delay! You might be too late! The CONTEST ENDS APRIL 30th! Send in your entries at once.

ED. NOTE—See Feb. issue of NEWS for Contest Rules and Entry Bland.



DORIS RENNINGER "Powder Puff" with her Super-Sonic Friends. L. to R. COL. R. A. RUSHWORTH, USAF, "Potatoes" x-15 and B-58 Test Pilot—3,000 MPH plus (also an astronaut qualified by an X-15 flight to a height of 54 miles); COL. JOE COTTON, USAF, "Cecil" (his name for his XB-70) Chief Test Pilot of the XB-70 Project—2,000 MPH plus; and MAJ. PETE KNIGHT, USAF, "Lickety Split" present holder of X-15 speed record of 4,251 MPH.

Executive Board Member In Super-Sonic Company

At a recent meeting in Stamford, Connecticut of the International Order of Characters, DORIS RENNINGER, Executive Board Member and former Governor of the N. Y./N. J. Section of the Ninety Nines, was surrounded by some very special supersonic character-members. This exclusive and elite foundation, conceived twenty years ago, by Dr. James E. Crane, FAA Medical Examiner has a roster of many leading aerospace executives and pilots.

Each member is given a nickname or a "moniker" and the organization

conducts two outstanding meetings and symposiums annually where only ten prospective members are invited to attend. The basic purpose of the organization is to present the sons of deceased pilots with college scholarship assistance and to present special awards to pilots who have contributed to the advancement of aerospace technology.

Some of the notables who belong to I.O.C. are HRH PRINCE BERNHARDT "The Lion"; COMM. SCOTT CARPENTER "Tuffy" — Astronaut Aquanaut; COL. JIM McDIVITT "Ge-

mini Cricket" Astronaut; GENERAL JAMES DOOLITTLE "Tiger Jim"; GENERAL BARRY GOLDWATER "Sun Dust"; COL. ROSCOE TURNER, "The Roar"; and HERB FISHER "Skywriter" veteran Test Pilot and Author.

Included on the Advisory Board with DORIS RENNINGER "Powder Puff" is former NY/NJ Section Governor, PEGGY NORRIS "Dahli". Long Island Chapter of the 99s sends ELLIE McCULLOUGH "Geronimo" — she's a para-jumper as well as a pilot!

Powder Puff

Compared with past years, as of this date, requests for kits containing the new rules and regulations have reached an all time high. Entries close June 1st. After this closing date, the only aircraft change allowed will be the FAA registration number (for a fee of \$10.00).

As previously reported, the major rule change concerns the timing at take-off. The log books will not be run to the individual airplanes as has been the custom at the Start of the race. The timing will commence at the drop of the flag for each contestant and will be recorded by the timers. At enroute Stops, the timing will start when the airplane starts its take-off roll rather than wheels off as last year. This method has now been finalized by the NAA and our legal advisor.

Because the question has been raised, aircraft with turbo-charged engines are NOT eligible to race.

Our first contribution from industry for the 1967 race, came from Astro-Aero Corp. We have also received contributions from Hawthorne Aviation and Aviation Insurance Managers. We are also grateful to NATA for again sending our posters to their entire membership.

The WCBS one hour documentary film of the Powder Puff Derby in color is available for showing to groups where there will be no charge for admission. However, contributions may be collected for AWTAR. Send requests with the date you need the film, to AWTAR Headquarters. Your only cost will be for shipping and insurance.

As of this writing, the entire AWTAR Board of Directors is sitting right in the middle of the 21st Powder Puff Derby race route. MARIAN BANKS, RUBY KEAVENY, and BETTY WHARTON left San Diego in BETTY'S 210 stopping at Palm Springs, Flagstaff, Albuquerque, and Amarillo on their trailblazing flight to Tulsa. ALICE HAMMOND, KAY BRICK, and BARBARA EVANS started from Milville, N. J. in ALICE'S Mooney trailblazing the eastern half of the route, namely: Martinsburg, Cincinnati, Carbondale, and Springfield.

The two planes arrived at Tulsa within the same hour! TERRY VASQUEZ, LOIS FAIRBANK, and I over flew the race route via commercial

Derby

so that on Saturday morning March 18th, all Board Members were present to begin a two day heads-together marathon interrupted only by BERT CHARNEY and DAVY MOORE from KVOO-TV who filmed the Board at work for the evening news broadcast in Tulsa.

TERRY VASQUEZ, who is in charge of handicapping, stopped off at Wichita en route to visit the Beech and Cessna factories.

Both trailblazing groups reported meetings enthusiastically attended and organization of Stops progressing nicely. At Springfield, Amarillo, and Flagstaff, 99 Chapters are small. If anyone would like to volunteer their services at these Stops, please contact MARIAN BANKS, Route Director.

Saturday evening COLLEEN WHITE, Tulsa Chapter Chairman; AGNES HELLMAN, Stop Chariman; SHIRLEY GREENBERG, NANCY CAIN, DOROTHY JOHNSON, and BETTY NATION, all members of the Tulsa Chapter hosted the Board for dinner at the Camelot Inn. An unexpected pleasure which was very much appreciated.

JUDY MELTSNER, Chairman of the Start, arranged a most successful kick-off luncheon held on March 12 at the Hotel Claridge in Atlantic City. Seventy-five people were present with an impressive group of notables on the dias including MAYOR JACKSON, Press and industry were represented making it look as though no other race will have been off to a more enthusiastic Start!

TRW System, Inc., of Redondo Beach, Calif., will compute the scores this year making the relative standings available daily during the race.

Did you see the wonderful trophy ad Piper ran in February? We would especially like copies of the following magazines — Flying, Feb. 1967 page 104; Oct. 1964 page 11 and 67; Sept. 1964 page 6; Pilot Magazine, Jan. and Feb. 1967.

CORRECTION: On the annual Treasurer's Report, Charleston should read SAVANNAH for the 1967 Terminus.

Reprints of the article "Twenty Transcontinental Sky Trails," a history of the Powder Puff Derby by KAY BRICK, as it appeared in the 1966 Race Program, are available singly or in quantity at 10c each from AWTAR Headquarters, Teterboro Airport, Teterboro, N. J.

AWTAR

Ways & Means

(You may not need to read this)—

July 8, 1967 we will be celebrating the AWTAR's (ALL-WOMAN TRANS-CONTINENTAL AIR RACE) 21st birthday and it is quite befitting to have the race start from the 'first' Airport in the US, Bader Field, Atlantic City, New Jersey. Aviation has come a long way in these 48 years as has the AWTAR, or Powder Puff Derby, in 21 years . . . one lonely Ercoupe made the exciting XC in 1947 from Palm Springs, California to Tampa, Florida. These eager girls had no idea that before its 21st birthday, this new born sport of theirs would attract as many as 101 entrants (in one year) against their 1.

Perhaps you feel you will never be 'good enough' to fly in this event and you won't unless you believe in yourself — add an Instrument or Instructor rating to that Private you possess, or just acquire a plain Commercial—order your kit, study the rules and charts, then be on your way . . . by now you have already learned lots and this will be your greatest experience of all.

Many, many woman hours go into making this a great event which is endorsed by the Ninety-Nines, Inc. Never will you be looked after more and never will you meet more interesting and helpful people, than on this coast to coast jaunt. When the fun is over, and grand memories linger on, you begin to realize all the work, effort, and money it takes to operate this race . . . you realize the long trying hours the nine member race board has devoted, without pay, (frankly, I would imagine with not too many thank-yours) to make this great event available to you. Also, the many other Ninety Nines who do much with the help of their family and friends . . . why not hop over to the nearest Stop come July — meet these girls and see some of the work involved . . . but why not RIGHT NOW write that check and mail it to me, to help support the 1968 AWTAR and the many ones thereafter. Without your assistance, moral and financial, the AWTAR cannot continue, so mail your contribution now—too. PAULINE GLASSON MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY CONTRIBUTED.

Route 2, Box 894

Corpus Christi, Tex. 78408

COMMITTEE REPORTS

FLYING ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE REQUEST

What are the flying activities of your Chapter? This should be easy for anyone to answer. How about the Flying Activities Chairman or the Chapter Chairman answering this question for me. I need this information from **every** chapter in our organization, not just half of the chapters! That is exactly what happened last year when the request went out so let's make an effort to have a reply from **every** chapter. Our President has done a lot of writing in her column about COMMUNICATION, so how about COMMUNICATING WITH ME.

If you are wondering what kind of information in which I am interested,

it can be anything from holding your Chapter meeting airborne in a jet, airborne poker games, or just flying for a picnic. Then there are those new ratings we all like to brag about, and anyone earning one deserves to brag, also the help given CAP units, Scouts etc.

Come on now, my mailman likes to stop at the door and deliver lots of mail with Ninety-Nine returns, This gives him a chance to talk about how high this plane is on final that is drowning out our conversation. O. K. now I am expecting to hear from **every** one of our chapters. Mail them to MRS. LOIS GRANGE, 4101 S. W. 13th St., Des Moines, Iowa 50315.

International Chairman
Lois Grange,

AIR MARKING

It's spring! You know what that means . . . Cleanup time, freshening up time. Time to fly!!!

Air Marking is just about the most rewarding committee you are on—And you are **ALL** on it. It doesn't take much talent, it doesn't take much time if you have a good group, it doesn't take Amazon muscles, and it doesn't take any money. How many committees can make such claims?

If you have ever had a shadow of a doubt about your position, or just a little feeling of unsurety—the Air Marking bug is in your bonnet, and that location should be marked.

All it takes is a congenial group, one gal to line up a location, and a set date. Bring a box lunch—the airport or place of business you are doing usually provides beverages and paint—put on your dungarees, stick your husband's best wide brush in your hip pocket and have a Chapter meeting on someone's roof. Sounds great? It is! And what a feeling of satisfaction and pride you have whenever you fly over that spot. O! That roof NEVER looked so beautiful. Be sure to take pictures up there showing YOU with the paint brush in hand—you are bound to have some friends who will never believe you, and won't have the opportunity to fly over it as soon as you would like.

For the serious part: It is a safety feature to all pilots as well as the students. So much so that the FAA makes note of the Air Marked fields on the Sectional. Be sure to send a report to BLANCHE NOYES, Chief Air Marking Staff, Federal Aviation Agency, Washington 25, D. C. She will send you report blanks free for the asking so you will be sure to include all the information the FAA will need to make it official.

Check with other chapters if you need templates. A good many have their own, and will lend them. Some State's have them as part of their aeronautical equipment. New Jersey does. For the record, the 99s have the full responsibility of the New Jersey Air Marking program and the State foots the bill for the paint.

Now come on and send that report to MARY ABLE, Rt. 4, Box 52, Houston, Texas 77036 so she can make up intelligent factual statistics that will correlate with the FAA reports. Surely, you will want your efforts recognized. It is really not the least bit immodest or bragadocia. It certainly is the most

Coming Events

April 14-16 South Central Sectional Camelot Inn Tulsa, Oklahoma	June 10 San Diego-Reno Fun Race
April 15-16 New England Sectional	June 23 Sky Lady Derby Ft. Worth, Texas
April 15 Middle Atlantic Sectional Schraff's Hotel Baltimore - Washington Parkway	June 28-July 2 International Convention Washington, D.C.
April 19, 20, 21 Executive Board Meets	July 8 AWTAR Atlantic City, N. J. to Torrance, Calif.
April 21, 22, 23 Southwest Section Sectional Ramada Inn Phoenix, Arizona	August 28 and 29 Northwest Section Race
May 5, 6, and 7 Southeast Sectional Natchez, Mississippi	Sept. 15, 16, and 17 North Central Fall Sectional Pheasant Run Inn (adjacent to DuPage Airport, Ill.)
May 5, 6, and 7 North Central Spring Sectional Peoria, Illinois	Sept. 15, 16, and 17 Southwest Sectional Holiday Inn Stockton, Calif.
May 11, 12, 13 NIFA Carbondale, Illinois	October 7 (note new date) AWNEAR Norwood, Mass.
May 19, 20, 21 N. Y. — N. J. Sectional Buffalo, N.Y.	October 7 Michigan SMALL Race Grand Rapids, Mich.
May 24, 25, 26 All Women's International Air Race "Angel Derby" Montreal, Quebec, Canada to Miami, Florida, USA	October 21 Fairladies Annual Indiana Race Bloomington, Indiana

concise report you have ever been asked to complete.

Remember — get to it while you are in the throes of Spring fever and Spring Cleaning!

Just think! If each state did only one Air Marking this year we would have 50 reports — and I have found that for each chapter that does one, it will do two the following year—Just think!!!

JERRY B. ROBERTS

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Alberta Nicholson, Chairman

Since October 1, 1966 we have had 224 new members and 41 who have re-instated. Do you know that these 265 members added to our roles doesn't make up for the number who dropped out last year. Here is the report sent to me from DARLA at Headquarters:

September 1963 through August 1964.

New Members 440

1964 Non-Renewals 181.

For period September 1964 through August 1965:

New Members 459.

1965 Non-Renewals 177.

For period September 1965 through August 1966:

New Members 566.

1966 Non-Renewals 268.

So half of our increase in new members was lost last year by drop-outs. The 265 we gained this year in love's labor lost, for it just makes up for all of those we lost last year.

How can we cut down on our drop-outs? As for myself, I don't like to go to a meeting by myself. I like to pick someone up or have someone stop by for me. You might try this on a chronic absentee.

I have notices that a girl will miss a meeting, next month she will miss another meeting and by the next month, she is almost forgotten. After that first miss, it helps if someone will give her a call and let her know she was missed. Also when I worked evenings, I was happy to receive a brief rundown of the meeting in the mail from the Chairman each month. It made me feel like I still belonged to the group, even though I couldn't attend the meetings.

Thanks for those 265 new and renewed members. We really appreciate all of the work you are doing for new members. Remember our goals of 3000!

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Members-at-Large

A note received recently from SISTER N. THERESA RYAN in Kenya, E. Africa relays the message that she enjoyed EVA HUGHES' poetic thoughts in the Feb. issue of the NEWS.

She also suggested to RACHEL BONZON of the Los Angeles Chapter that on their Turkana Desert, they guarantee no Fog — only Sand Devils!

Her final paragraph tells of a recent problem she had flying a C-172 with three passengers aboard. Apparently this aircraft was a bit underpowered for her particular location and she experienced that horrible "sinking" feeling just after breaking ground on take-off. To quote her, "This is where Belle Hetzel's remarks make me smile. (Patter by Peg—Feb.) With her it's hay fields and with the Sister in the Desert, it's thorn Bush!"

Let's hear from more of our Members-at-Large . . . be your own NEWS Reporter.

AIR MEETS

ALL WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL AIR RACE "ANGEL DERBY"

The Florida Women Pilots Association has scheduled the 1967 "ANGEL DERBY" for May 21—May 27 from Montreal, Quebec to Miami, Florida in salute to Canada's Centennial of Federation and Miami's statute as a hub of international air travel.

The first leg of this 1667.5 mile flight passes over historic Lake Champlain to Hartford, Conn., where members of the Connecticut Chapter of 99s will assist the contenders through Customs. From Hartford the route veers westward via New York to Baltimore where members of the Maryland Chapter will officiate; then onward to Winston Salem, N. C. and Macon, Georgia — a positive identification point—prior to bearing eastward again over the Okefenokee Swamp to Ormond Beach, Florida. From Ormond Beech a more southerly course leads over the Everglades to a fly-over finish at the new Tamiami Airport—not yet open to traffic.

While in Montreal, contestants will have an opportunity to visit Expo '67 when not engaged with race activities and in Miami they will be treated to an evening at the area's new Planetarium.

Requests for information kits indi-

cate that more than 40 planes will be competing in this year's race. To make the contest more enjoyable a temporary tower will be in operation at Brainard Field, Hartford. An FHA Representative will be on the field at Ormond Beach to process flight plans, and FAA radio service will be provided for the new Tamiami fly-over finish.

Co-sponsor for this year's "ANGEL DERBY" is Metropolitan Miami Dade County, Florida. \$2500 in prizes, plus trophies will be presented to the top six places in addition to other prizes and awards.

ENTRY DATES & FEE

Entries will be received postmarked not earlier than March 15, 1967 and not later than April 20, 1967. Application must be in triplicate, accompanied by \$50.00 fee made payable to FLORIDA WOMEN PILOTS ASSOCIATION, INC., and mailed to:

Dorothea Harrison, Entry Chief.

4746 NE 26 Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308.

Entry fee is returnable only if application is rejected. Should the race be cancelled due to National Emergency or for other reason, \$10.00 of the fee will be retained to help offset organizing expenses to date.

GENERAL CHAIRMAN:

Virginia Britt

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PILOTS POKER RUN WINNER:
MRS. J. H. WARD, of Baton Rouge.
Mother of South Louisiana Chapter
99 GLORIA HOLMES.



PILOTS POKER RUN TROPHY WINNERS: (left to right) Lucky 13th Entrant, **MARVIN POOLE** of Opelousas; Youngest Pilot **BENNY GARRARD, JR.** of Opelousas (not shown **RICKY HARRISON** of Natchez); Lowest Time Pvt. Pilot and Best ETA by a Pvt. Pilot, **JOSE BANOS** of Baton Rouge; Lowest Time Commercial Pilot **MARY JANE NORRIS** of Houston; Best ETA by a Student Pilot, Solo X-C, **RICHARD VOGEL** of New Orleans; Best ETA by a Commercial Pilot **HAROLD BURKE** of Lake Charles, La.

The **FIRST ANNUAL PILOTS POKER RUN**, sponsored by the South Louisiana Chapter of The Ninety-Nines was held on Sunday, February 26th, after a meeting on January 25th when they decided they had to have a fund-raising project quickly to support the various projects upcoming for their Chapter. Within 3 weeks, posters and data sheets were out in south Louisiana and southeast Mississippi and several newspaper, radio, and TV spots were before the public concerning the date and places. The Pilots Poker Run is an event designed for "fun flying" for pilots at all stages of flying proficiency, open to both men and women pilots, student at ATR. Trophies and door prizes were donated by interested FBOs and businesses, and the race was on!

Pilots flew to the 5 designated airports (Baton Rouge, Houma, New Iberia, Lafayette, and Opelousas) picking up a playing card at each stop. The person holding the best poker hand at the terminus in Opelousas was the grand prize winner of a trophy and his or her choice of a diamond tie pin or a lady's diamond pendant (jewelry donated by York Jewelers of BTR). Other trophies were awarded, along with twelve door prizes donated by businesses.

A total of 141 persons entered the

Poker Run, 83 licensed pilots (including 14 women pilots) and 58 non-pilots. There were 56 airplanes, 6 of them twin-engine aircraft from 15 different towns in La., Miss., Texas, Ark. and Alabama. Another 26 airplanes were

"clocked in" who were not participants —just stopped by to see what was going on. The caterer ran out of spaghetti dinners after 300 plates were sold. Of the total 57% of the pilots held a Pvt. license, 29% were Commercials (including 1 ATR) and 14% were Student Pilots. All of this with only 3 weeks' preparation and publicity!

Winners were as follows:

BEST POKER HAND and DIAMOND JEWELRY: MRS. J. H. WARD, non-pilot, mother of 3 pilots, a daughter- and son-in-law pilots, and another daughter-in-law a student pilot. She was from Baton Rouge mother of 99 **GLORIA HOLMES**.

YOUNGEST PILOT: **BENNY GARRARD, Jr.**, 16 of New Iberia, La., and **RICKY HARRISON**, 16, of Natchez (son of Miss. 99 **EMILY KELLY**)

LOWEST TIME - PRIVATE PILOT: **JOSE BANOS**, South American student at Louisiana State University, with 41:30 total time.

LOWEST TIME—COMMERCIAL PILOT: **MARY JANE NORRIS** of Houston, Texas, Houston Chapter 99, with 226 hours total time.

BEST ETA—STUDENT SOLO X-C: **RICHARD VOGEL** of New Orleans.

BEST ETA—PRIVATE PILOT: **JOSE BANOS**, winner of the Lowest Time Private Pilot Trophy.

BEST ETA — COMMERCIAL PILOT: **HAROLD BURKE** of Lake Charles, La.



Terminus of the Pilots Poker Run, Opelousas, Louisiana; airplanes that landed between noon and 1:00, only a sampling of the final count of 56 poker run airplanes and 26 others landing just to see what was going on.

LUCKY 13th ENTRANT: MR. MARVIN POOLE of Opelousas, Louisiana.

The date of the 2nd Annual Pilots Poker Run will be announced later, and will be in May of 1968, with the same route, terminus in Houma. Advanced registration of aircraft will probably be required for next year's Run, and more advanced, national publicity will be given to the event. The purpose of the event was fulfilled in that the entrants **did** have "fun" and the smooth, efficient operation of the event reflected favorably on the Ninety-Nines. No flying event has been staged in the South Louisiana area before this time, and it was well received by general aviation.

ED. NOTE—Be sure to read So. Louisiana Chapter report for "Public aspects!"



WELCOME
and
Congratulations
to the newly formed
Mt. Diablo
Chapter

BAY CITIES CHAPTER

Loretta Gabrielson, Reporter

ENA AYERS made a trip, by air-line, to New York for a week's visit. During that time, there were **three** snow falls, including a blizzard! She visited AWTAR Headquarters at Teterboro (See picture March Issue) and had lunch with MARION LOPEZ, SELMA CRONAN, KAY BRICK, BARBARA EVANS, KAY HILBRANDT, and SHEILA SCOTT, who was visiting from England. The snow made it difficult to get around, but ENA did get to visit with DORIS REMINGER and 49½er HENRY.

GLADYS COBE and 49½er RAY flew to Bracket, Calif., for the C.C.A.A. meeting. On the return trip, they encountered low ceilings and had to land at Modesto. It was a week before they could fly the Piper 235 home, and then they had to drive to Modesto twice before they could take-off. It

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was VFR for 1½ hours only that day!

ELLY JONES' son finally got back into the air. He had spent thirteen months in Korea. One of his first flights, as a student pilot, was 30 minutes of dual in a T-33 jet. Mother ELLY, is slowly plugging along in a Cessna 150.

49½er STEVE TULLER completed his 1st solo on February 10th. DOROTHY is off to join him in Acapulco on February 24th, for a long weekend.

Little ol' N2056V is getting new power. Would you believe? a battery like in a Skylane for a little Cessna 120? Yep—but no more propping for 99 BARBARA LaPOINT!

LORETTA GABRIELSON and 49½er LEE have bought into a flying club and are now the proud part-owners of a Cessna 172. Watch out world, we are off and going again.

EL CAJON VALLEY CHAPTER

Dottie Sanders, Reporter

We're looking forward to doing our first air marking project at Eorrego, California, which will have been completed on March 25th, prior to issuance of this edition of Ninety-Nine News. LYNN COULTHARD, Chairman, has appointed FLORENCE FRASER as her Co-Chairman and, together, have a real fun day planned. Early risers will join the citizens of Borrego for the Lions Club Breakfast between 8:00 and 9:00 a.m., we'll do our air marking between 10:00 a.m. and Noon; and then we'll celebrate our accomplishment with steak lunch on the desert. (Sounds like more eating than working.)

DOTTIE SANDERS and MARIAN BANKS (San Diego) 140'd to Santa Ynez February 17th to join San Fernando Valley Chapter in their fly-in there and to enjoy some of Solvang's fine Danish food for lunch. Also to bring home many calories in Danish Pastries and Cheese — a beautiful day, and lots of fun.

Members of our Chapter joined San Diego Chapter's fly-in to Bermuda Dunes, near Indio, California, for a delicious lunch at the country club on March 5th. LYNN COULTHARD and DOTTIE SANDERS flew via 140, ISABELLE McCRAE and DORIS RITCHIEY in a Bonanza, and FLORENCE and BOB FRASER in a 150. Another beautiful day in the desert! We were

all happy to see Governor LOLA RICCI there with 49½, EDUARDO, making a total present of 32.

On March 18th, ISABELLE McCRAE, DOTTIE CAMPBELL, ANNA BLEDSOE, LEAH LIERCH, DOTTIE SANDERS, and DOTTIE DAVIS will aid San Diego Chapter in greeting San Fernando Valley Chapter at Montgomery Field for their monthly fly-in and help drive them to Vacation Village for lunch.

San Diego Chapter and El Cajon Valley Chapter will jointly sponsor a Picture Hunt, a fun game with airplanes, on April 9th—LOIS BARTLING, Flying Activities chairman for San Diego, and DOTTIE SANDERS are getting their heads together for a real mysterious, fun time.

As you can see, activity in the Southern California area is really on the climb-out, and of course we all have the forthcoming San Diego-Reno Fun Race and Powder Puff Derby in the backs of our minds. At least, we are logging a few more hours in the air.

FALLON CHAPTER

Elaine Lockhart Brown, Reporter

Am writing to you from my igloo on the outskirts of Reno. Last month I wrote from my chaise lounge in the banana belt (knew I was premature—serves me right! It's been snowing here for three days and most of our flying activities have been confined to eyeballing airplanes from the windows of the jeep. On with the news!

HAZEL HOHN and her wee daughter flew back East on an airliner to spend a few weeks. HAZEL'S 49½er, WERNER, just received his Commercial rating. Congratulations!

JOAN REID has made a valiant effort to fly, but gale winds have confined her efforts to hanger flying. JOAN reports there are many prospective new 99s in the making at Carson City Airport. Grand news! Get going gals, we'll need your help during the Fun Race.

ORA DESTREE has been doing some local flying out of Carson. She says plans are well underway to obtain a plane for the Fun Race. She is flying as pilot with prospective new member, LINDA CONTRERAS, as co pilot.

LOIS BROWN flew commercially to Palm Desert with her two children, PAM and GAYLAND. LOIS met her 49½er, MIKE, there. MIKE had flown their twin Commanche down on a charter in time to enjoy the 80° sunny weather. LOIS arrived in time

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to enjoy the wind, cold and clouds. They all returned in the Commanche, IFR, to a snowy Reno welcome.

DOROTHY STAUFF and 49½er, CARROLL, flew their Cessna 210 to Palm Springs for two glorious weeks. Sorry to hear about the weather, but hopes are for warm sunshine during their last week.

JANE JANSSEN still hopefully waiting for early entrants to sign up for the San Diego to Reno Fun Race, June 10th.

LOIS WILLIAMS and 49½er, DAVID, are really the proud parents these days, and with good reason. Their oldest son, DAVID JR., received his Private Pilot's license on his 17th birthday. Congratulations, DAVID! I think we all have the hope of seeing our children enjoy the wonderful sport of flying for themselves.

JUDY HISLE and 49½er, BILL, are planning to join our Aviation Country Club's tour to Apple Valley this Saturday, the 18th of March.

ELAINE and STAN BROWN are also going to brush the snow from the old 175 and join the group for a wonderful sounding week-end in the sunny (we hope) Southland.

Say! Must just "toot the family horn" a mite and proudly announce that my 49½er, STANLEY BROWN, has been elected Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Reno National Championship Air Races. His first delightful duty was to attend the National Air Race Queen Contest, luncheon, banquet and ball. All of the contestants were airline stewardesses, and as an ex-stewardess, I was allowed to chaperone my 49½er, good move! I have never seen so many lovely young ladies collected in one room. How the judges picked one out of this exquisite group is beyond me. They did — a wee blonde gal from Pacific Southwest Airlines (JUDY E'ALEY) who will add tremendously to the decor of the races in September.

LAS VEGAS VALLEY CHAPTER

B. J. Wayne, Reporter

First of all, we want to thank JERRY WHITTON for her past efforts as our News Reporter. JERRY has taken residency in Ventura, California, for a year and will be missed here.

Our February meeting was held at the home of B. J. WAYNE. The local FAA presented two films, "RX for Flight" and "Wake Turbulence." Bus-



Fallon Chapter 99s. Picture taken at the last meeting in Fallon at Gustavson's Flight Service. The group met to plan for the San Diego to Reno Fun Race on June 10th. Back row, left to right: **LOIS BROWN, PAT HENNING, JUDY HISLE, JANE JANSSEN, MARCIA STANFORD** and **FRAN GUSTAVSON.** Front row: **DOROTHY STAUFF, DEE BAER, ELAINE BROWN,** and **LOIS WILLIAMS.**



Las Vegas Valley members B J WAYNE and LOIS LARSON helping to publicize the film "Come Fly with Me, Darlene." This is an AOPA film designed to stimulate aviation interest in non-pilots and was recently sponsored by the LVV Chapter. (Photo by Ken Jones, Las Vegas Sun, Las Vegas, Nev.)

iness was transacted and refreshments served.

On Tuesday, March 7th, our Chapter sponsored the local showing of the AOPA film, "Come Fly With Me, Darlene" at the Flight Deck, Alamo Airways, McCarran Field. As Program Chairman, B. J. had a personal interest in this project as it was filmed in Eastern Idaho in cooperation with the Eastern Idaho Ninety-Nines when B. J. belonged to that Chapter. The local FAA once again helped us in presenting the film and local newspapers were very cooperative in publicizing the event. We had a nice turnout and everyone seemed delighted with this film designed to stimulate interest in non-pilots. Enthusiasm of prospective "pinch-hitters" was apparent at the social hour which followed.

We are happy to learn that CAROL and LEONARD RAZIN have purchased a Cessna 172 and that CAROL is starting to fly again. Also in the air have been LOIS and HAROLD LARSON who flew their family to Disneyland in January and weekend at Lake Havasu in February. RUTH and JOHNNY DI BASE have made the long flights, however, logging several trips to the Bahamas in the past few months. B. J. and BILL WAYNE sold their Bonanza before Christmas and are temporarily without wings. But with such an early spring and the irresistibly clear skies of Nevada, she hopes not to be grounded for long. Happy flying!

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

Rachel Bonzon, Reporter

A group of us were happy to have the opportunity of attending the physiological training program at George Air Force Base. Staying at the Apple Valley Inn in order to be ready for an early start in the morning, LYNN OPPER and ELOISE ERESESE Practiced turning blue by swimming in the pool. It had snowed for three hours the previous day, and the swimmers and those of us bundled up in overcoats beside the pool could enjoy the sight of fresh snow on the mountains.

Early and very bright, we were off in the Air Force bus for a day of most informative ground school, climaxed by the experience in the altitude chamber and a rapid decompression demonstration. This is a most worthwhile program, and we join all the others who have heartedly recommended it.

The day was run with military precision and efficiency until the return



The LONDON family on a recent ferry flight for Aztec Aircraft, Long Beach. BARBARA LONDON, daughter TERRY, and husband JACK shown at the Piper Factory in Vero Beach, Florida, where they picked up 3 Cherokees to be ferried to Long Beach, Calif. Flying with daughter TERRY is a college friend, a non-pilot, but who became an expert navigator during the trip. TERRY and BARBARA are both members of the Long Beach Chapter. L to R: TERRY, CINDY STEINER, BARBARA, and JACK.

trip on the little bus, which could only be coaxed small distances at a time, and which we finally abandoned in favor of a passing truck. So we ended the day with rapid re-compression at a low temperature, with the loud sound of rushing air! Now, 1, 2, 3, a valsalva maneuver, everybody!

JEAN IVANOFF, LINA STROUP with 49½er STEVE, and friends, spent a few days at Guaymas, enjoying the relaxing atmosphere and the fishing. JEAN also flew with LYNN and BOB OPPER to Thermal, where members of the Pasadena City College Flying Club provided transportation to the Date Festival in Indio.

SUSAN OLIVER was invited to act as a judge in selecting the next Queen of the National Air Races, and en-

joyed this trip to Reno. SUSAN also had the opportunity of spending some time in a Boeing 707 simulator, courtesy of American Air Lines.

MARY and JOHN DORR and their PEY participated in the splashdown at Lake Havasu, and reported good attendance, both splashers and dry landers.

LARRY and RACHEL BONZON flew to Havasu on Washington's birthday, and had the lake practically to themselves (with a boat, that is.)

ANN LODWIG flew to Ojai. How does your tree grow, ANN?

Our March meeting was devoted to plans for our Two-Cent-A-Pound Air-lift, on April 8 and 9, in connection with Santa Monica Pioneer Airport Day.

MONTEREY BAY CHAPTER

Sue Johnson, Reporter

On March 12, we held a two-Cent-A-Pound ride out of Salinas Airport. Organized by DELL HINN, this money-raising project was very successful, in spite of frequent rain showers. Many passengers reported that they enjoyed the rough air! We certainly appreciated the use of a Cherokee Six from Air Trails in Salinas, and a Cessna 182 from Salinas Air Service. And, our sincere thanks to GENEVA CRANFORD for making our skirts of "99 Blue" which we all wore with white blouses.

We are happy to welcome two transfers: BETTY WORSTELL from Redwood Empire Chapter and TRISH MARKS from Bakersfield Chapter, TRISH very generously opened her lovely hilltop home to us for our March meeting. One of the things planned was a birthday luncheon at the Nut Tree to celebrate DELL HINN'S birthday. Again bad weather intervened, and only DELL and her three passengers, in a Comanche, and SUE JOHNSON in a Cherokee 235 went on the fly-in. At the meeting Chairman HELEN SHROPSHIRE read us a fascinating letter from DOROTHY BANTHOF, postmarked Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, telling us of their trip over there.

Added to our list of prizes in the Aerial Photo Contest is an "Evening of Fun" at the warehouse on Cannery Row in Monterey. It really is an old warehouse, now done in Roaring Twenties decor.

NORTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER

Ruth Smith, Reporter

Low clouds and a weather briefing that conditions might be worse by afternoon, forced us to drive to Prescott for our meeting the 11th. JEAN KNOTT and I were the only ones from Flagstaff; LOIS WARD had it made because she lives in Prescott. ALICE ROBERTS and another 99 from Phoenix (my sincere apologies because I didn't hear her name distinctly) also drove. So glad they came. LOIS had arranged for Mr. Duke Ledbetter, a retired American Airlines pilot, to be our speaker. MR. LEDBETTER has logged 34,200 hrs. in the air: broken down, that makes about 4½ yrs. in the air. He had a splendid record of safety and currently does lectures about flying safety and is active in CAP work. MR. LEDBETTER considers women pilots to be among the most safety minded people in the air today, and had high praise for some of our

gals in particular; BLANCHE NOYES, JACQUELINE COCHRAN, and BETTY GILLIES.

Some of us enjoyed meeting with the Phoenix and Tucson Chapters for a luncheon at Francisco Grande the 19th of February. JEAN KNOTT made this one of her long cross country flights, and it was a memorable one . . . she got lost. She had started back to land at Sky Harbor, because she knew where that was, but saw Chandler so landed there to collect both wits and thoughts. She called Francisco Grande and told them where she was should anyone call. She got all squared away and made it over in time for lunch.

HELEN LAWRENCE is in the hospital as the result of a forced landing on the highway. This was necessary because of engine failure on take-off. She has a chipped vertebrae and will have to wear a brace for a time. We are all glad it wasn't any worse. FAA of course, is going over the aircraft with a fine tooth comb and has asked many, many questions.

RUBY KEAVENY, BETTY WHARTON, and MARIAN BANKS will be here the 16th to meet with us and discuss details of the Powder Puff Derby stop here in July. We have made arrangements for the ones who remain overnight to stay at the Monte Vista Hotel in Flagstaff, with a buffet dinner the night of the 9th. They offered the best prices and we are striving to keep costs down for the gals.

Anytime any 99 is in Flagstaff and has the time to spare, call one of the radio stations and a short interview can be arranged I'm sure. They have been so cooperative, and KCLS has a program at 9:30 "Hospitality Man" at the Coffee Shop of the Monte Vista. They will be delighted to have you as a guest.

Notes about CAROLYN SHOEMAKER; The First date in her log book is September 1963. She soloed in May of 1964 and received her license in October of the same year and joined 99s and our Chapter shortly thereafter.

CAROLYN'S hobbies are flying and taking care of three children, two girls and one boy. 49½er EUGENE is Chief Scientist for the Astrogeology Center here. As most everyone knows, the Center is engaged in mapping and studying the Moon.

ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER

Gimny Chandler, Reporter

This month's report is short, sweet, and late, so here goes:

Our Air Marking Committee outdid themselves in January. Orange County Airport is now painted up for all to see, and a beautiful job it is. Thanks go to KAY MALIK, her crew, and the friends of this Chapter, who so graciously donated supplies and professional advice needed to make this project the success it was. HELEN HEDGES made a few "carrier type passes" over the field in her "Wild Goose" with a camera (and tower permission, of course), so there are pictures available . . . maybe for the next report?

ANN CANTILLON was forced to spend a few days in New Orleans while ferrying a Cherokee from Vero Beach. Bad weather kept her from dashing straight home. What a shame! The only place I ever get weathered in is Orange County.

MARGOT SMITH and hubby spent a "neat" weekend flying around the Mexicali — Yuma area, till weather brought her down in Palm Springs. (Safely, of course!) The rest of the return trip was logged as road time.

Yours truly spent the third weekend in January up at Castle Air Force Base. The highlight of the trip was going through the High Altitude Chamber there. The Air Force personnel gave us a brief but very informative lecture and movie on Vertigo, Hypoxia, and Instrument Flying. They demonstrated the dangers of hypoxia by permitting us to remove our oxygen masks at 25,000 ft. for up to five minutes in the chamber.

I experienced none of the warning signals such as blurring of vision, tingling of fingers and toes, etc. Instead, I fell in the category of those who attain complete euphoria; which means I would have died smiling if left to my own decisions. The chamber is truly a worthwhile experience and everyone who flies should go through it. It not only opens your eyes to all these things the FAA tries to impress upon us, but the drop from 29,000 to 8,000 ft. does wonders for the sinuses. (P.S. I also logged road time from Bakersfield to Orange County that weekend.)

ELLIE AYOUB has moved back to Las Vegas, Nev, and is in the process of transferring her membership to that Chapter.

THON GRIFFITH is organizing our group to back "Happiness is a Warm

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Bath." This is a fund raising dinner to provide a hot water heater for an orphanage near Mexico City. THON'S enthusiasm is contagious, and we hope to provide large turnout on March 27th.

In case you didn't know, we're still fighting to keep Santa Monica Airport open. Letters are still needed desperately from all of us to MAYOR MINTER, protesting the proposal to shut it down. AH! if some people would only realize the days of the covered wagon are gone and aircraft are here to stay. Nuff Said.

PALOMAR CHAPTER

Mary M. Moons, Reporter

After our recent air marking at Oceanside and Fallbrook, and finding out how much fun it is, we've been looking around for other areas to mark. Our next two projects are up in the air—on roofs, that is—in Escondido, and in Hemet. We're starting out easy with a large flat roof and progressing to the more difficult one. We hope to finish the one in Hemet only days before our group flies in to Hemet to attend the annual Ramona Pageant. So we'll get a chance to view our handiwork from the air.

Our members IVA WALTERS and WANDA MILLER and their 49½ers took an interesting trip one Sunday recently. A total of 5 planes flew from Hemet to Anza, Warner Hot Springs, Borrego, Octilla Dry Lake, landing at each and stopping at Imperial County for breakfast. From there, they flew to Yuma, up the river to Heron in Blythe, then north and east of the Little Mara mountains to see the Indian pictographs, back to Blythe for gas and on home via Palm Springs and the San Gorgonio Pass.

NELI CONNALLY'S daughter, CHRIS, soloed on her 16th birthday. MARY PEARSON was her instructor, and friends and family were on hand to celebrate with hot dogs and birthday cake.

Following our last meeting, a group of Campfire Girls, working for their Aerospace badges, were given airplane rides, and shown movies that MARY and NELL took of last year's race and our visit to Lake Havasu to the Seaplane Association meeting.

PHOENIX CHAPTER

Marjy Crowl, Reporter

Welcome to CHRIS ARMSTRONG (formerly CHRIS HOFFMAN of Orange County Chapter)! She would

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Foreground, seated is **PAT LAMBART**, immediate past Governor of the Southwest Section, holding infant daughter, **CATHERINE**. Standing, l. to r. is **ANNA MOUSER**, **HAROLD MOUSER**, **MARY LOU BROWN**, all of Phoenix and **RUTH SMITH**, from Flagstaff, member of Northern Arizona Chapter. **MARY LOU BROWN** models dress Phoenix Chapter members will wear at Sectional.

be greeted warmly at any time, but particularly now during the preparations for the Spring Sectional due here in April. Am sure the valuable experience gained from her major role as Chairman of her Chapter during the highly successful Fall Sectional last year at Newport Inn will contribute to making ours well worth attending.

Hostess for February business meeting was **FREDA TOLIVER**, who lives in Temple. **MELBA BEARD** returned from a business trip to California in time to make this meeting. Were fortunate that International President **ALICE ROBERTS** was able to attend—was absent from January meeting due to illness. **JEANNE MORRIS** presided nicely in **MARY VIAL**'s absence due to a flight to San Francisco on business. **BEV PERIMAN** related her trials and tribulations in attempts to get to recent gatherings of the clan—perseverance triumphed. Congratulations to **TRUDY MURPHY** for resigning as Air Marker Chairman—so much wiser to recognize what can be accomplished in certain amount of time and act accordingly. Surely glad she didn't resign from Sectional Committees, though. Probably more of us should acknowledge unexpected pressures that

prevent us doing the kind of job we should do with the tasks accepted and ask for help or for a different job—especially me! **SUE HARPER** and **JO ANN WINTERLING** took time off from their studies on commercial ground school class at Phoenix College to be there. **SUSAN STORM** made written notes while **WILMA BLAND** made mental ones. More people are invited to follow **RUBY SHELTON**'s practice of getting to the meetings even though necessary to be late. Although **RUBY** instructs ground school Thursday evenings in addition to her regular flight instruction, she arrives with her cute pert manner we like so well. **LELIA REGER** was only one of nine guests present in January who returned—what kind of batting average is that? Or is Tempe OOB? **ANNA MOUSER**, who had conflicting interests before, finally was able to put in an appearance. Everyone seemed to enjoy the film **FRANK JOHNSON** of Arinada, presented about Cessna Aircraft. **JEANNE MORRIS**, Program Chairman, assured equal time will be given other companies!

JUANITA and **ELGIN NEWELL**, **MARY LOU BROWN**, and **MARY** and **GEORGE VIAL** flew to Flagstaff for a meeting with the Northern Arizona

99s to help plan their Powder Puff Derby stop. JUANITA and MELBA BEARD will be timers at the stop.

Great News! ALICE will hold her International Executive Board Meeting in Phoenix just prior to Sectional, so we'll have all the International Officers in our midst. Wonder if she decided that before or after Bonanza trip to Flagstaff and Camarillo, California?

MELBA BEARD reports forty antique and home-built aircraft attended the Arizona Antique Aircraft Association Midwinter Flyin at Marena Air Park. Heard that RANDA SUTHERLAND and 49½er JOHN, were there from Albuquerque. Wonder how many other 99s made it?

FREDA and MICKY TOLIVER flew to Stafford—it's an event when they can get away from their lovely big store at the same time other than Sunday. They did it again—to Las Vegas, returning just a little too late to join the gang at Francisco Granda for lunch.

"The Gang" consisted of fifty people from all over the state who congregated at the highrise baseball hotel in the desert west of Casa Grande, Arizona, present were: JOANN and LEO WINTERLING, WILMA BLAND, JEANNE MORRIS, and NOLA EARL from Phoenix; MIRZA CLARK, JAN ENGELHARD, MAGGIE SCHOCK, and VIRGINIA EDWARDS from Tucson;



L to R: MILLIE MERRITT, GWEN DARE, BEV PERIMAN, RUBY SHELDON, JEANNE MORRIS and NOLA EARL, all of Phoenix, ready to return home following luncheon.

TRUDY MURPHY with son, MIKE and his wife MARY, from Phoenix area; RUBY SHELDEN with guests MILLIE MERRITT, JODY NOLL, and BOBBIE HARTSON all of Phoenix; MARY MARTIN, Chairman of Tucson Chapter, SHIRLEY MARSHALL and LEE EL-

LEN MARSHALL (66) from Tucson; MELBA BEARD with guest ARLENE HINTZ, her daughter, BEV PERIMAN and guest GWYNORA DARE, all of Phoenix area; SUSAN STORM and JOE, her 49½er, MARY VIAL and guest MARGE COLE, guests ANNA and HAROLD MOUSER all of Phoenix; KAREN CAUDILL, a guest from Tucson, MARY ELLEN and WARREN LEKEN from Holbrook representing Northern Arizona Chapter along with MR. and MRS. BILL SMITH and JEAN KNOTT of Flagstaff; Bob and JOAN MEISER, guests from Yuma, who are interested in a chapter being formed there: MARY LOU BROWN and son, STEVE, GRETCHEN and AL YINGLING, PAT LAMBERT, daughter CATHERINE and mother, MRS. RING, JUANITA NEWELL, SUE and BILL HARPER, and MARY CROWL with sons, CHRIS and JIMMY all from Phoenix.

MARY VIAL admitted sneaking a couple of days of golf at Laguna Beach enroute home on their flight from San Francisco. Probably last opportunity she'll have between now and Sectional! PAT LAMBERT, very slimly chic and radiant, assured us that she is keeping an accurate log of infant daughter, CATHERINE'S flying time — first flight at age of six days!



Left to Right: JAN ENGELHARD, MARY MARTIN, Chairman, and MIRZA CLARK, all visiting from the Tucson Chapter.

After being in charge of an Institute Convention, BETH USSHER flew commercial to New York on business. JOANN WINTERLING received a lovely letter from VIRGINIA RABUNG, the Chicago 99 she met at Grand Canyon. Wish I could share the interesting letter received from one of the most terrific and unusual persons I've ever known—BRUNHILDA BRADLEY. Had misplaced the address for her and was gratified that she called attention to fact she is listed in the roster—we look forward to her return. She is busy instructing for the Navy Flying Club in Norfolk, Virginia.

Start planning now to attend the Southwest Sectional in Phoenix in April. Goodtime for 99s everywhere to come share our lovely Arizona sunshine.

International President, ALICE ROBERTS hosted the March business meeting in her lovely new home in northwest Phoenix. She greeted the following members and guests: WILMA BLAND, JO ANN M. WINTERLING, EVELYN SASSER, BEV PERIMAN, MARY LOU BROWN, MARY VIAL, ANNE DAVIS, JIMMYE LOU SHELTON, JEANNE MORRIS, FRED TOLIVER, GINNY MOSER, TRUDY MURPHY, SUE HARPER, CHRIS ARMSTRONG, GRETCHEN YINGLING, PAT LAMBERT, SUSAN STORM, JUANITA NEWELL, and MARJY CROWL, members; MEG JACKSON, MARGARET HLAVENKA, MARILYN J. SELLER, PAM PETTY, MRS. GEORGIA HARPER, and MRS. RING. Although some of the girls worked during the meeting, sewing something for the Sectional, there was so much else business-wise on the Sectional and other Chapter business that at least two other work dates were scheduled before the next regular meeting. Although reviewing the revisions to the constitution was time consuming for the members present, it took many more hours for the committee to compose the suggested material. (Tnx SUSAN, TRUDY & JUANITA).

Hear that DEE SOUTHARD, over at Blythe, held a meeting in her home to start plans for forming a chapter there — look forward to another news flash next issue. SUSAN STORM came home from a weekend in Wikieup with sore muscles from too much mountain climbing. EVELYN SASSER and 49er, KEITH (who is new president of the Flying Farmers) flew their light twin to San Francisco, Imperial, Prescott, and to El Paso, where they

attended Supima Cotton Council. EVELYN is working on her twin rating. MICKEY and FRED A flew to Mexico, where their friends in Las Mochis wanted to know when the PH 99s were planning to fly down. ALICE ROBERTS and 49½er, CHAS flew to California to see daughter BARBARA, and ALICE flew through bad turbulence. MARY VIAL and 49½er, GEORGE, found it interesting to make an actual IFR approach into San Francisco International.

LYGIE HAGAN was overnight guest of ALICE ROBERTS enroute home to Spokane, Washington from Mexico. JIMMYE LOU SHELTON and THELMA BIEGERT spent two and one half weeks visiting relatives in Arkansas and Missouri. JIMMYE LOU visited with members of the Cape Girardeau Chapter. MARY BATTY took off three weeks to visit her family in Canada. BEV PERIMAN tried her hand at flying aerial photography for a friend on a rather windy, bumpy day for it but loved doing something different. JUANITA NEWELL and RUTH REINHOLD have been shooting approaches to keep current on their instrument ratings — RUTH with the Excalibur with JUANITA as safety pilot and RUTH scanning for JUANITA in her Bonanza. GRETCHEN YINGLING

How 'bout flyin' a RACE this year ? ? ? ?

has a new assignment concerning International Convention. LELIA REGER and HARRY picked up their new Skylane 2775Q at Wichita. When they flew to Palm Springs, they were surprised that the field has a beautiful new tower but no place to eat. LADY McREYNOLDS, Chairman of the Tennessee Chapter stayed at Jokake Inn while in the area, and ALICE ROBERTS had lunch with her there. JIMMYE LOU SHELTON had occasion to fly Trans-Texas Airlines while in Arkansas and learned that the lovely stewardess on duty was daughter of DODY CUMMINGS, of San Diego Chapter. MARGE GORMAN and 49½er, JIM, RONED PHX on flight from California, where they purchased a Stagger-wing Beech, to Mansfield, Ohio, where she is member of All-Ohio Chapter, JIMMYE LOU and 49½er, FRANK, flew a Twin Comanche to San Jose area, returned in an Aztec, but liked their flight in the Navajo

even better. Many people were disappointed that the flight to Prescott was cancelled — including MARY LOU BROWN, who was all set to go.

JUANITA NEWELL and MELBA BEARD flew up to Flagstaff in JUANITA'S Bonanza to meet with AWTAR Trailblazers, MARIAN BANKS and RUBY KEAVENY, who flew in with BETTY WHARTON in her Cessna 210 (all three TBs from San Diego Chapter). They were greeted at airport by members of the Northern Arizona Chapter MARY ELLEN LIKEN, Chairman, JUNE ELY, Vice-Chairman, BETH WRIGHT, Membership Chairman, and RUTH SMITH, Reporter and 66 member JEAN KNOTT. They met with LEWIS SHAMRELL, Airport Manager, MR. THORESEN of the Weather Bureau at Flagstaff and MR. McCART of the Flight Service Station from Prescott. JUANITA felt that they accomplished a lot and celebrated her birthday a little ahead of time, too. She was born on St. Patrick's Day. Many more happy ones, JUANITA!

Please plan to attend the Southwest Section in Phoenix in April—we are planning for you!

REDWOOD EMPIRE CHAPTER Phyllis Cantrell, Reporter

The January meeting was held at Cameron Park, northeast of Sacramento. This new strip is adjacent to a lovely golf and country club away from the hustle and bustle of the city. Business was discussed over lunch at the Red Coach Inn.

January is AMELIA EARHART month for the Zontas and ANNA BRENNER invited the AWTAR contestants from our Chapter to be guest speakers at their dinner meeting which was held at the Flamingo Hotel in Santa Rosa. Out of the four teams from our Chapter, ANITA WOREL, LOUISE MONTERO, PHYLLIS and SANDY CANTRELL were present and reviewed the events of the last AWTAR.

Our February meeting was held the CANTRELL home for a morning business meeting over coffee and donuts. ANITA had a stack of business a foot high and it was nice to have RUTH RUECKERT from Bay Cities as a visitor.

HILDA CASEY has agreed to take the Newsletter from here and I know she'll do a fine job.

Our next meeting will be another business meeting to be held at Napa County Airport in March. See you then.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHAPTER

Juanita Bowler, Reporter

Our annual Zonta-99 Meeting in January, was held at the Mansion Inn. It was a very enjoyable evening as always. Our speakers told us about the good work of the Civil Air Patrol, reminding us again how important it is to file a flight plan and to cancel it when reaching our destination. ESTHER PHIPPS and her daughter, JUDITH LAGOMARSINO, told us about the Air Race last year and some of their experiences. (They are making plans for this year.)

I had a chance to talk to some of the girls—DARLENE GILMORE and husband GIL had just returned from a wonderful trip to Japan. Went all over I guess. While in Tokyo, DARLENE looked up our 99 member, YAE NOZOKI. They had a very nice visit, with her daughter acting as the interpreter. Florence Breen and husband JACK, spent Thanksgiving in Germany with her daughter and family. RUTH WAGNER and husband AL, flew to Europe and drove all over visiting old friends. JUNE DEVINE and JIM flew commercially to Minneapolis, drove to Traverse City, Michigan to visit friends, flew on to Boston, spent time in Conn., back to Detroit, and then on to Wichita to pick up a new Bonanza. JUNE said the fall colors were just beautiful. I know, I used to live in Pennsylvania and flew a lot of Pipers out of Lockhaven delivering them to distributors in Central and South America and Alaska. It is beautiful country to fly over, especially in the fall. MARILYN JAKS and husband flew to Mexico for Christmas and New Years . . . had a fine time, she said. LILLIAN GRAY, husband DAVE, and another couple flew to Mexico and back to Las Vegas for Thanksgiving, beautiful weather all the way. BESS SCHOFF and husband also flew to Mexico. VIRGINIA TOWNSEND and husband FRED celebrated their 25th anniversary in Las Vegas—had to go commercial due to weather problems.

GERALDINE MICKELSEN had an operation before Christmas and missed our wonderful Christmas party at the Zombi Hut. She had to take it easy during the holidays plus missing the Zonta-99 meeting. Her LA doctor has given her the OK to go back to work and she is as good as new again, glad to report. FLORENCE BREEN was on crutches for a while. She fell

— see what can happen right in your own home?

LA RUE BROWN put 10 hours on the Twin Comanche while NORA was deer hunting. Guess she will be getting in more time now while enroute to Mexico for 10 days. JUNE DEVINE is going to Pomona for the meeting of California Council of Aviation Association. RUTH and AL WAGNER are off to New Orleans to a medical meeting.

Our Lady Bugs manage a nice flight and lunch most every Wednesday. Lucky Bugs!

Now that we are getting some nice weather for a change . . .

RUTH WAGNER was our hostess for our Feb. meeting at her lovely home, with BERYL EISSINGER as co-hostess. BILL THORPE, Channel 3 weather reporter, gave us a very interesting talk on weather and mountain flying conditions. LA RUE BROWN read the letter she had just received from CPT. JOYCE A. REESE, 19th Gen. Support Group. A.P.O. San Francisco 96301. Seoul, Korea—very interesting, and it sounds like she is a very busy girl. Even getting some flying time.

We nominated RUTH WAGNER, second term as Treasurer, and DAR-

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LENE GILMORE, Secretary, Southwest Section Officers.

CAROL BLOOM is giving a very interesting and a very successful Aero Space Education course at Sonoma College. 85 teachers enrolled. VIJA BERRY, RUTH WAGNER, AUDREY SNOVEL, and HELEN MORGAN went over to Napa Airport Feb. 19 to the fly in, and gave of their time, energy, and planes to help take them for rides. For some, it was their first ride.

LaRUE was telling us about her Flying Mexican Vacation, Borrego de Oro near Mulege, Baja. They ran into LOIS MILES, also FRAN BERA, and BARBARA LONDON. LONI FREDRICO is back at Hotel Mulege and wants all his friends to know, Smoke House is going strong, etc. They had 8 in their group, two twin Comanches, hunting and fishing out of this world! Needless to say, a good time was had by all.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

Evelyn Briggs, Reporter

Well, the part of last month's article about our soaring champ was not meant to be a mystery. Somehow in typing the news while burning the midnight oil, HELEN DICK's name was omitted, sorry! We do have a mystery coming up; LOIS BARTLING is planning a Mystery Fly In on Apr. 9.

LOISs March Fly In to Bermuda Dunes was well-attended. We were happy to have GOV. LOLA RICCI and her husband, EDUARDO there. Fourteen airplanes and thirty six people participated. From our Chapter the following flew in: MARTHA and JOHN MULLEN with two guests, BETTY and CLAUD WHARTON and two guests, ELSIE and ED WATSON and two guests, MARGRIT and MURRAY GOODRICH, MARGARET and JIM MOODY, LOIS and HARRY BARTLING. El Cajon Chapter joined in when LYNN COULTHAND flew with DOTTIE SANDERS, DORIS RICHEY, ISABELLE McCRAE flew with BUD and BETTY McNEIL, FLORENCE and BOB FRASER came late, and AILEEN SAUNDERS dropped in for a while. THELMA and NORM SMITH flew in from Los Angeles.

ELEANOR RICHARDSON just returned from being with her ill father in Florida, with tales to tell of the trials and tribulations of flying commercial across the country. Glad she's back with us again.

THELMA BISHOP is making definite plans to go in the International Air Race with BRENDA STRICKLER of Ft. Worth as her co-pilot.

TERRY and AL VASQUEZ invited their air-minded friends to a scrumptious cocktail party in their beautiful new home.

On a flight to Carlsbad Caverns, MARGARET and JIM MOODY were very surprised to be snowed in briefly in Tucson. MARGARET has been elected Secretary to the Bonair Flyers. This is the General Dynamics Flying Club. Evidently, we don't keep her busy enough! She's our Chapter Secretary and also in charge of the San Diego-Reno Fun Race coming soon.

MARIAN BANKS, RUBY KEAVENY, and BETTY WHARTON took off for an AWTAR Board meeting in Tulsa, and TERRY also has flown on AWTAR business to Wichita. They all had to miss the fun Fly In planned by

FLORENCE DITTMAR for the San Fernando Valley Chapter. Weather sort of diminished their numbers, but there were twenty, including members and guests who flew into Montgomery Airport. El Cajon Valley Chapter and S.D. Chapter members who assisted in ground transportation and enjoyed the lunch with them at Vacation Village were LEAH LIERSCH, DOTTIE SANDERS, DOTTIE DAVIS, ANN BLEDSOE (who drove 30 miles, from Oceanside), ELSIE WATSON, RUTH EBEL, LOIS BARTLING, KITTY SCHIEDING (though not a member, is always helping us), JUNE HICKOX, and LYNN BRIGGS. It was most enjoyable to meet others in our organization and their friends. It was especially interesting to meet COLLETTE MIROU-DOT from France.

So far MARGARET MOODY has received 45 requests for kits for the San Diego-Reno Fun Race, several of which are from out of our Section. We hope this means we'll have many participants! It's fun! Send to MARGARET MOODY, 3103 Mobley St., San Diego, Calif. 92123 and 50c for kits.

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER

Jeanne Day, Reporter

Occasionally we experience one of those perfect flying days. And when that day coincides with a planned fly-in, you can be sure that our February fly-in to Solvang was a great success. Several members had a chance to practice go-arounds because with no taxi strips, the landing planes had to taxi back on the runway. LINDA DENSMORE and FLORA HUTCHINSON flew in LINDA's 180. FLO DITTMAR winged in via her 210, as did FRAN INGRAM in her new strutless wonder. BETTY STORRS and BETTY FRY shared the Apache, and AUDREY SCHUTTE and MARILYN ARNOLD did the same in AUDREY's Bonanza. EDDIE WHITE was there, and so was LOLA RICCI with spouse and mother in a 182. ELLEN TRINDLE came in a Deb, with LIBBY SVENSON. POLLY STOEHR came in her Bonanza and from San Diego came MARION BANKS, LOIS BARTLING, ELSIE WATSON, and CLARA ALDRICH. DOTTIE SANDERS flew in from El Cajon. GERRY VICKERS welcomed old Chapter - mates from San Diego. Guests attending were: CELIA DAY, HARRIETT MORRIS,

LELA SHUEE, VERA STENSVOED, ESTHER FLECK, JOSEPHINE RICCI, MICKEY and CHARLIE DUGDALE, SHIRLEE KAY, MARILYN JASSON, PAULINE KUHN, LEOTA GREEN, TOPSY MOORE, MARLIS MILLER, and ERIKA KEBLE.

HANGAR FLYING: PAT GARLAND has been flying from Baja, California to Kansas, where she helped pick up and fly back a new Beech Baron.

EDDIE WHITE flew to Agua Dulce and co-piloted with FLO DITTMAR to Solvang and SFO. Her guests were FLO STANTON, a new pilot, and AULEEN HALL who recently tried her hand on the 707 simulator.

LOIS MAUER and husband took guests from England on a Las Vegas flight and then showed them the grandeur of this country in a flight along the Grand Canyon.

MARY JOHNSON has been putting in a few hours, including a flight to Bullhead Lake.

VESTA MALBY's flying has also served as a wonderful excuse to look for a hunting dog. We imagine it will take many trips to find just the right animal!

HELEN KEEL passed her Com-

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mercial written. Congratulations!

CATHY BLACK's first student passed his Private test.

AUDREY SCHUTTE did a switch and rode in the back seat of a Bonanza. Congratulations to AUDREY on a newly acquired Advanced Ground Instructor's rating!

ANNETTE SEYDEL flew to Apple Valley and Giant Rock. She brought as guest, RUTH MAYLE, who is learning to fly and now has 45 hours.

NITA LOVELESS just checked out in the 182 at Sky Roamers.

MARILYN ARNOLD surprised us with the exciting news that she will soon be going to Saigon with the State Dept. as a secretary.

ROSE FORD is beginning work on her Commercial ticket.

LOIS MILES' latest is a checkout in the 172 and a delightful trip to Mujege in Baja. She also was guest speaker at the Los Feliz Kiwanis Club recently.

PAT PITCOCK achieved fame when she successfully relegated her Instructor husband to the back seat for what may be a "first" in the annals of aviation!

BEV WOODWARD, after 18 months of being grounded, is back at it again in her Citabria. We expect to see her barrel-rolling into the next fly-in.

VIRGINIA RAINWATER has been kept busy with moving and chasing down aircraft parts. She is now located at the Kappair hangar at Van Nuys.

JEANNE DAY attended the annual Date Festival at Indio, and had a gorgeous night flight back to the basin over thin broken clouds.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER Amy Sylvestri, Reporter

MARY LAIL passed her Commercial written.

We welcome two new members: JEAN PEVEHOUSE and MICKEY HUGHES.

FLORENCE TONEY was a guest at our last meeting. She is visiting her sister BETTY WOODHAMS who lives on the San Francisco Peninsula, and FLORENCE is a member of the Wisconsin Chapter.

On March 2nd, there was a fly-in to Sea Ranch. Five Planes and 13 99s and their guests attended. It was a beautiful day to view our Northern California Coast line. A wonderful lunch and tour of this sea coast area was hosted by MARIAN CONRAD of the Sea Ranch.

MARDO CRANE is busy correcting the galley proofs on her forthcoming book "FLY-DOWN OF THE WASPS" — a history of the WASPS during WWII.

Chairman PHYLLIS PIERCE announced at our last meeting that April 21, 22, and 23 are the dates set for the Spring Sectional in Phoenix, Arizona. The following were appointed to a Nominating Committee for Sectional and National officers: PAT GLADNEY, MARDO CRANE, MARY LAIL, and NOVIS PERCIVAL.

TUCSON CHAPTER Dorothy Jenkins, Reporter

Our world - traveler, PAT NOLEN, was off again — this time to Central America, ostensibly to buy furniture for her new beach house. In El Salvador, she and TRULY visited with former Tucson neighbor, U.S. AMBAS-

SADOR RAUL CASTRO. PAT says she enjoyed low-level sight-seeing for the first time, with the added security of that second engine in the Twin Comanche.

A Sunday luncheon-joint meeting of Northern Arizona, Phoenix, and Tucson Chapters was held at Francisco Grande: purpose—business and pleasure. The meeting was good one, with over sixty people present, including guests from Yuma. Perfect flying weather probably helped the success of this get-together.

It was nice to see FRAN FRANCIS at the last regular meeting. She doesn't get up from Nogales for too many of them. Incidentally, we were shown two interesting films, loaned by Arizona Aviation Authority: Man and the Moon, and Arizona Skyways and Flyways. This is the start of a plan to include something of general interest over and above business, in each meeting.

SHIRLEY spent three days in Flagstaff in her capacity of Chairman of the National Aerospace Education Council's 1967 Conference on Aerospace Education — a job as big and long as the title. The Astrogeology facility at Flagstaff, the U.S. Geological Survey, will be participating, as well as NASA, FAA, Kitt Peak, Utility Aircraft Council, and nearly every organization that has a part in promoting progress in our aerospace age. A very impressive list of honored guest participants is topped by DR. GERARD P. KUIPER, as Banquet Speaker. The dates of the Conference are March 30, 31, and April 1, with one day given to educational materials available, and utilization of these materials; one day to a visit to Kitt Peak; and Saturday's program concentrating on career opportunities.

Tucson Chapter is wholeheartedly behind the Conference; we (and some 49½ers too) will be helping in a number of capacities. It's a big project, as I said, but the planning, organization, and just plain hard work that SHIRLEY has put into it is bound to make it a big success.

UTAH CHAPTER

L. Christopherson, Reporter

This month has brought us a great deal of wind and stormy weather but everywhere we note the look of Spring with the promise of good flying weather ahead.

Our March meeting was held March 8th at the home of SUE ELLIS in Salt Lake City. After our usual business meeting, we had as a guest speaker, MAJOR RALPH WOOD, Operations Officer of the 191st Military Air Squadron of Salt Lake. The meeting was very informative as to the activities of this group and their various missions to all parts of the world. Those in attendance were: MARGERY PETERSON, GINI STREETER, JOAN WILLIAMS, ELOISE WILCOX, MAUREEN RICHARDS, LYLE BECKSTRAND, JANE ANDREASON, LILA FIELDEN, ALBERTA NICHOLSON, BARBARA BARLOW, SUE ELLIS, LUCILE CHRISTOPHERSON, and as guests: JOYCE ROBISON, KAYE COLEMAN, BARBARA DUNKLEY, and BECKY WILKINSON.

We were delighted to learn that KAYE COLEMAN has just completed her flight examination for her Private license. It is always a thrill to have these wonderful girls join our ranks.

BARBARA BARLOW has just recently checked out in the family Bonanza and has taken a recent trip to Idaho Falls.

SALLY WELLS of Cedar City Airport had as her recent guest, MARGERY PETERSON of Gunnison, who was weathered in at Cedar during the last weekend of February. MARGERY has been able to get in several hours in their new Cessna 235 this winter.

One of our guests, JOYCE ROBISON, reported that she flew with her husband this last February to Roanoke, Virginia, during the time when stormy winter weather was in the East. She reports that she learned a great deal in navigation as a co-pilot and it made her realize that she must get her license so that she can be fully qualified as such needs arise.

RUTH WALKER has been unable to attend our monthly meetings due to the ill health of her eldest daughter. We all are hoping for a speedy recovery. RUTH.

MAXINE NIELSON was guest speaker at a Home Culture Club meeting and used as her subject matter, "Women in Aviation." MAXINE has been getting in a little local flying in Southern Utah. At present she is attending Aviation Ground School at the B.Y.U.

ALBERTA NICHOLSON reports that at present she has 25 young men (15-18 years of age) attending her avia-

tion class on Tuesday evenings. She is teaching them the fundamentals of the Private course. This is the Explorer class of the Holladay 23rd Ward. Her class continues to grow each week and created a great deal of enthusiasm within the organization.

SUE ELLIS and husband flew to Tehachapi Airport to obtain some pointers on the Glider School in operation. They then continued on into the Los Angeles area for a little relaxation and fun.

NANCY REULING, our enthusiastic flying-gal, has just obtained her Instrument Ground Instructor Rating and her Commercial Ground Instructor Ratings. NANCY, her husband, and family enjoyed a hurried trip into the Chicago area but found the weather very disagreeable.

MAURINE RICHARDS has not been chocking up too many hours solo during the past month but, I ask you, how could she when she is sandbagging for her husband who is drilling for his Instrument rating?

March 15th the Chapter girls plan to get in a little seasonal flying by meeting at Brigham City for lunch.

March 18th is a planned Fly-in to the Logan Airport.

Plans are underway for several of our members to attend the Spring Sectional which is to be held in Phoenix on April 21-22-23.

A hearty "hello" to all of you and they tell us that it makes greater contentment not to do what we like to do but like what we have to do!! So long—see you next month—or sooner—if you will only let us know!



Australian Section



Margaret Kentley, Reporter

Over 40 people turned up at the New Zealand Air Women's annual Rally at Hamilton recently. 5 aircraft flew in from Christchurch, through very murky weather and those from Palmerston North didn't get through until Sunday, while JENNIFER FRAME got weathered-in altogether. JENNIFER who lives in Invercargill is a 99 and has been elected N.Z.A.W.A. President; with ROSEMARY McGARVA,

Vice President; SHONA WILSON, Secretary; and CAROLE TRILLO, Treasurer. JENNIFER is compiling a recipe book—"Flying in the Kitchen"—to boost local funds, so all your favourite recipes are very welcome. Please send them to JENNIFER. This Annual General Meeting was held on the date of the 30th Anniversary of JEAN BATTEN's landing in New Zealand after her record breaking solo flight from England.

ROBIN MILLER, MOIRA ROBERTSON, and NANCY WALTON attended the first International Congress on Aerospace Medicine, recently held in Sydney. A most successful and instructive congress it proved to be, with many papers on a wide variety of subjects involving Man and Flight in this Modern World.

ROBIN MILLER has just completed a 3000 mile week-end jaunt across most of Australia's desert country—a good Nav - X for anyone wanting experience! Very interesting country to fly over, with a magnificent range of colours—rust through scarlet to purple, emerald green to peacock blue, black & white—with some areas so drab in fawns and greys you wouldn't believe it could be the same country. It is surprising just how must life is evident in this so-called "no man's land."

Recently in her C150, ROSEMARY DE PIERRES was somewhat shaken when she just missed being sucked up in the wake of a 727 on her way into Perth. ROSEMARY'S flying school at Wyalkatchem is proving so successful that similar little flying schools are popping up all over Western Australia.

BETH GARRETT now has her first class Instrument rating and renewed Instructor's Rating. OLGA TARLING has been practicing Localizer and N.D.B. let downs with her in a Piper Aztec. OLGA has been allotted an allowance from D.C.A. to keep her Commercial License current as it helps a lot in her work as a Radar A.T.C. Officer. MARGARET LEE and BERYL ANDERS are working for their Instructors' Ratings. We hope they will both get to the Convention in Washington.

While KAY BRICK was in Tasmania, MARY ATKINSON and KAY went for a flight in a Miles Falcon, a truly vintage model such as KAY had never seen the like before. There are not

many of them left in the sky these days. It is a 3-seater, low wing monoplane, built in 1935, with a 200 h.p. D.H. Gipsy Six engine, max. speed 180 m.p.h., cruising 160 m.p.h., with max. range, 880 miles. Among the first cabin aircraft ever built, it was a beautiful and very advanced thing in its time. It is still taking charters in Tasmania.

While in Oslo, Norway last year, EVELYN KOREN got her endorsement on a Float Plane. She is the first Australian woman to be so endorsed, as such aircraft are very rare in this country.

We are glad to welcome two new members. CORINNE DRUCE, who has an Instructor's rating, three sons at boarding school, and will be meeting you all at the Washington Convention. She hopes to fly in the Powder Puff Derby if someone will have her as a co-pilot! Also we congratulate

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BERYL EDMONDS who is now a fully-licensed Private pilot. It is wonderful the way these new members are joining us.

I have just been elected the first woman ever on the Tours and Contests Committee of the Royal Aero Club of N.S.W. We own 19 aircraft, have over 2000 members, and train students right through to Multi-engine ratings. ROSEMARY ARNOLD and ALEX NEWBEGIN have been elected to the House Committee and are already making a noticeable contribution there.

NANCY WALTON, ANNETTE MURPHY, GWEN CALDWELL, and I were present at the ceremony when MR. KINGSFORD SMITH of De Havillands, handed over the beautifully appointed Air Ambulance to the N.S.W. Ambulance Association. This is the Queen Air which KAY BRICK ferried out as co-pilot, and it is now in service in the far outback of N.S.W., carrying very ill people to hospitals and specialists. NANCY WALTON made a very fine speech thanking all those who had done so much to make this ambulance possible; NANCY has done more than anyone else.

ANNETTE MURPHY and NANCY LEEBOLD and their 49½ers, had the

great honor to be present at the N.S.W. Reception given last Friday night by Their Excellencies, LORD and LADY CASEY, at their Sydney Residence — Admiralty House — ANNETTE represented the Women Pilots and NANCY, the Institute of Navigation. It was a truly magnificent occasion.

We have recently had a most interesting letter from YVONNE LOURENS of South Africa. A charter flight over the great Kariba Dam reminded her that in 1956, before work could begin on the dam, sleeping sickness had to be eliminated from the area. She was one of the pilots who sprayed the area with D.D.T. to kill the Tsetse Flies. Most of the flying was at two feet above the hilly, bushy terrain, in a Tiger Moth, and during the very early hours of the morning, before the heating of the Earth's surface lifted the spray off the bushes. The only way to see, was to sit high on many cushions and then the swarms of flies crashed against her goggles, blacking her out until she could clean the glass again. A most hazardous job in a Tiger Moth!! I hope YVONNE doesn't mind me writing this in the Australian News Letters—I was fascinated by her experience.

So far, we have 12 certain they will be in Washington for the Convention. Eight for the Get-to-know-you tour, after the Convention, and four for the Powder Puff Derby if there are 4 American Girls who will take us along as co-pilots? There are another 6 who haven't yet made up their minds if they can get there. I hope we will know more definitely next month.

Cherrio till then.

BRITISH SECTION

Janet Ferguson, Reporter

We had a meeting with a difference in February — a visit to Booths Gin Distillery in London. We were given an interesting tour and shown how Booths excellent product is made before assembling with the Directors of the company to sample it. The Directors had thoughtfully provided alternative liquid refreshment for the non-



Greater New York Chapter member, ARAX SIMSARIAN, and DORIS PHILLIPS with one of the Directors at the Booths Distillery visit.

gin-addicts, but I think most of us managed to force down a reasonable quantity of the local brew! A magnificent lunch followed, and we felt most honored that the Directors gave up so much of their time to our group and entertained us so royally.

We were pleased to have two American Ninety Nines with us on this occasion: DORIS PHILLIPS from the Washington D.C. Chapter, whose husband COMMANDER DOUGLAS PHILLIPS is on a tour of duty in this country; and ARAX SIMSARIAN from the Greater New York Chapter, who is working with Esso Europe. We're so

happy to have these two girls, along with CAROL KOCZON, as part of our group while they're in this country.

SHEILA SCOTT saw many Ninety Nine friends on her recent trip to New

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York for another television show. She reports that DORIS RENNINGER met her at the airport, and they attended the "Veterans Dinner" at the Wings Club one night. KAY BRICK arranged

a gay luncheon party at Teterboro with some of the AWTAR Board and New York Governor, KAY HILBRANDT, and BARBARA EVANS sweetly drove SHEILA down to this in spite of the prevailing blizzard! Back home, SHEILA has invaded the all-male territory of the Royal Aero Club and is now a Committee member of the Royal Aero Club's Competitions and Air Racing Committee. Apart from all this, she is still traveling all over the U.K. and Italy doing lectures, speeches, radio, and TV appearances.

Our fifth airline girl (mentioned last month) is GILLIAN CAZALET, who has joined an independent airline which operates scheduled and charter passenger services between the U.K. and the continent of Europe. GILLIAN is flying as First Officer on DC3's — glad to see you're back on the airline scene again, GILLIAN.

We were pleased to hear from JESSIE MILLER of the Mississippi Chapter, who wrote about the International Aerospace Education Workshop; a European tour in which a number of Ninety Nines are participating. We look forward to meeting them during their visit to England.

ELIZABETH OVERBURY is convalescing in Nassau after persistent illness over the last couple of months. In spite of her illness, she has been trying to keep working at her airline job, not to mention giving two lectures at the Kronfeld Club and keeping up with her Ninety Nines work as Vice-Governor. We hope she will be completely recovered by the time this is read.

DAPHNE POYNTER has now added a Night rating to her Private License and has her sights set on an Instructors rating.

BETTY CONES is trying for a job in Air Traffic Control; meanwhile 49½er ERNIE is busier than ever as his company, Kollsman Instruments, has the contract for many of the instruments for Concorde (the Anglo-French SST).

Finally a warm welcome to new member BEATRICE BICKERTON, and we look forward to welcoming LETTICE CURTIS, who we hope is about to join us. More details on these two girls next time.

CANADIAN SECTION

Lynne Thompson, Reporter

Our February meeting was held at Peninsula Air Services, Mount Hope Airport, Hamilton. There was a good turn out, considering the lousy flying and driving conditions. We were honored to have MR. KINGSLEY BROWN, CBC Commentator and Pilot, who received his license about seven years ago at Mount Hope, talk to us about his recent trip to Texas and NASA Headquarters where he covered the Apollo Spaceship disaster. He also gave us the benefit of his insight and first hand knowledge of Russia's aviation achievements and the warm nature of her people. It is MR. BROWN's calculated opinion that the United States is ahead in the Space Race, a race which must be carried through. Everybody was charmed by MR. BROWN's pleasant manner and address, and all Canadian 99s would like to thank him for taking the time and interest. I might add, before MR. BROWN came back to Canada, he took an overnight flight over to Georgetown Beach, Bahamas, where upon he ran into our Governor EDITH DENNY and 49½er WALLY who had stopped for a swim on the way to South America in their Aztec (CF-SKY). It is reported, EDITH told MR. BROWN to "Go home"—he had better make our meeting even if she couldn't.

Attending this February meeting were MARIE WALKER; PAT ROY, (our Public Relations gal); JOYCE HOWARD; PAT JONES; MARGARET WILSON; PHYLLIS MILLER; HILDA DEVEREUX; JEAN MacDONALD; EDITH BERRY; BARBARA BROTHERTON and 49½er TOM, and ESME WILLIAMS and 49½er JOHN, who flew in in their Aztec with FLORA MURPHY and 49½er DON on board in strictly IFR snow weather, (I wonder who did most of the flying, the 99s or the 49½ers?).

EDITH BERRY and the Hamilton crew did a lovely job of planning the meeting with sandwiches, coffee, and dessert served in the meeting room.

The committee had a meeting at Buttonville Airport on March 8th. SYBLE DUNN, ESME WILLIAMS, HILDA DEVEREUX, FLORA MURPHY, JEAN MacDONALD, BARBARA BROTHERTON, and Yours Truly attended the meeting. I was in the midst of an Instrument training session and flew in with a very stable instructor who sat patiently drinking coffee after coffee waiting on us girls to complete the meeting. He had company in the presence of FLORA MURPHY's 49½er DON, who of course was also waiting patiently. A very good meeting with lots of work cut out for all committees.

When I was attending COPA's meeting at the Holiday Inn in Toronto last month, the Chairman of the evening asked the question — "Who is the youngest pilot here this evening?" — I was very pleased to see it determined that our 99 member, 18 year old MARIE WALKER of London, Ontario, was the youngest. Isn't that something out of all those opposite sex present!

Congratulations to PHYLLIS MIL-

How 'bout flyin' a RACE this year ? ? ? ?

LER on receiving her Commercial License!

SYBLE DUNN and 49½er C. J. flew to Montreal for a good time in their Aztec (CF-PUX).

JEAN MacDONALD and 49½er DAVE were to Columbus, Ohio with their Cessna 180 (CF-SEA).

MARY LINDSAY and 49½er MAX returned from Florida in their Cessna 182 with MARG WELTER and 49½er VERNE.

EDITH DENNY and FLORA MURPHY are planning to participate in the Angel Derby starting in Montreal on May 21st, with EDITH's Aztec (CF-CKY).

DORIS TAYLOR of Thessalon, Ontario has been a member-at-large for some time. She has SEL with Night rating, works as a secretary for the Hydro - Electric Power Commission and 'rides' helicopter when ever possible and reports she enjoys it immensely.

SUSAN COPELAND, still going to school, had to wait for her father to pick her up after the January get-to-

gether as she has her Pilot's License but does not drive a car. That's like walking before you crawl!

JEAN CRAVEN of Chatham, also a Flying Farmer, has both a small Piper and landing strip in the 'back yard', a nice combination indeed!

ALICE GOOCH of St. Davids, sends greetings from Fort Lauderdale to us 'snow birds' up here in Canada.

DORIS KORBY flies her Cessna 182 in VFR weather and participates in Curling in IFR weather.

CATHY McVEAN whose 49½er BILL keeps his listeners on CFRB radio station in Toronto, up to date on 99 activities, is going to help JEAN MacDONALD with the Membership Committee. I can't think of anyone more competent in this respect than the charming MR. McVEAN!

IRMA SELIG of Montreal, Quebec and 49½er SIDNEY should be back soon from exploring the Bahamas.

Omitted by accident from the last report was our Vice-Chairman of the First Canadian Chapter, HILDA DEVEREUX (MRS. ALFRED), 821 Sunninghill Ave., London, Ontario. It was a terrible error to have left HILDA out of the list as she is a most enthusiast and avid worker for the 99s.

I will sign '30' for this month. Happy Flying!!!

SOUTH AFRICAN SECTION

Yvonne van den Dool, Reporter

On the evening of the 28th of November last year, a most successful party was held for the Ninety-Nines at Grand Central Club House. MR. DAVE WORTHINGTON, our Professor of Aviation, presented Grand Central wings to all Ninety-Nines present; some women received golden wings and the others silver wings. AURIEL MILLER motored up from Durban to attend this party.

Yours truly handed over the long awaited Section Charter from 99 Headquarters in Oklahoma, USA to ARTHUR KENYON of Grand Central. As Grand Central is the local Ninety-Nine Headquarters, the Charter, which contains the names of the 10 South African Charter members, is to be left

at the flying club for safe-keeping.

JACKIE HUGHES of Durban did not attend the party as she just could not wait to land her Twin Comanche on Inyaca's strip. Congratulations on the Twin conversion! Also, heartiest congratulations on the conversion from Miss to Mrs.! We hear that JACKIE recently married a pilot. The best of luck to you both.

AURIEL MILLER and ANN WHITE, both of Durban, are actively trying to find a way to get over to the States for the International Convention during June and July this year. This convention promises to be extremely interesting and every Ninety-Nine should do her best to attend, in her own interests. There is not much time left before the convention, so if you intend to go, do something about it now!

JESSIE WIMMERS arrived at Grand Central from the USA at the end of last year. JESSIE is instructing and engaged on charter flights for Grand Central. We are awaiting her transfer from the Phoenix Chapter to the South African Section, and we extend a most hearty welcome to her. Sunny South Africa CAN be sunny sometimes, JESSIE — don't give up hope, the sun is sure to appear again sooner or later! When the clouds give way to some degree of visibility, we hope to see you in the Lowveld for a few days' holiday. The elephants in this part of the country are not as dangerous as the wolves of Johannesburg.

DOREEN GREENBERG has been winging her way to East London, Durban, Queenstown, Bloemfontein, Cape Town, Kimberley, etc. in her twin, and is becoming most proficient at night landings and instrument flying. She has recently had ILS installed in her aircraft. DOREEN's keenness and ability could be an example to many other pilots.

Like DOREEN, BARRY GORDON has a home to run and a family to look after. In spite of this, she finds time to act as Editor of the Grand Central magazine "S.A. Flying," and to keep up her flying too. We wish husband RON a speedy recovery after his recent illness. Barry had her first lesson in flying in October 1964, and received her license 18 months later in Feb. 1966—"having had a few hair-raising experiences and many

shots of adrenalin in the process—you know, getting lost on my first cross-country, miscalculations, porpoising landings etc. etc." BARRY says she has taken part in several competitions — blindfolded, spot-landings, forced landings, and the National Championships, and is the proud possessor of a silver cup she won as a prize. Ratings include Cessna 150 and 172, and the Cherokee 140 conversion will be completed soon. Better get a conversion on RON's Twin Comanche soon so that you may take your three daughters on trips with you.

Incidentally, did you notice that ALL the women pilots referred to in the Piper brochure sent to members by Grand Central recently, are Ninety-Nines? The longest solo flight around the world, the round the world speed record, Altitude Record Class 4 etc.—all set by Ninety-Nines!



CONNECTICUT CHAPTER Ruth P. Buckley, Reporter

The postponed February meeting was held in Hartford. EVELYN MURCH, our Vice-Chairman, presided over the meeting. The meeting took place at Hartford Airmotive on Brainard Field. The meeting served as preparation for the I.A.R. stop in May. Members attending the meeting were PEGGY DAVIDSON, JERRY GARDINER, TRINA JARISH, CYNTHIA KEMPER, JEAN RETTINGER, BETTY SAGAN, and LOIS STROUD. MR. CLIFF SCHAEFFER of Hartford Air Motive and Attorney HOWARD GROSS, representing the Hartford Chamber of Commerce, reviewed the details of the race stop.

The March meeting, on the fourteenth, was held at Chairman PRILL LOVERIDGE's home in Fairfield. PRILL and CYNTHIA were co-hostesses. Business was minimized due to the number of guests at the house. The New England Sectional will be held on April 15. The meeting will take place in the Hotel Taft, downtown New Haven. As the agenda of the business meeting is covered, guests will tour Yale University. Air

marking and the IAR were discussed again.

Those attending the luncheon were PEGGY DAVIDSON, MARY HORTON, CYNTHIA KEMPER, NANCY TIER, KAY LITTEN, JO MASSEY, EVELYN MURCH, LORRAINE JEN-SICK, and CHRIS WINZER. NANCY TIER and KAY LITTEN were attending their first meeting with the Connecticut Chapter. Tuesday guests were NINA HETMAN, IRENE BATES, BOBBIE HERBERT, and MARILYN FISCHER—all licensed pilots. ROSIE KRIM of Fairfield attended as an interested future student.

Two unannounced Ninety-Nine activities for the Connecticut Chapter:

- 1) June 6 a picnic at Kettletown State Park
- 2) A Fly-In to New Hampshire July 15-16—North Conway area.

EASTERN NEW ENGLAND CHAPTER

Lois Auchterlonie, Reporter

Spring forgot to get "sprung"! As this goes to press, New England has more snow on the ground than we had in January and February! The skiers are elated, but fliers are frustrated and can only dig out the airplane after each storm.

The 1967 AWNEAR race, usually held in the spring, will be held October 7th this year at Norwood, Mass. So gals, you have all summer to learn your airplane's eccentricities in ruel consumption and airspeed (as influenced by navigation). Rules and regulations with handicaps will be available in May.

March Chapter meeting was held at Kings Grant Restaurant in Beverly, Mass. ANN PRINGLE and MAJOR MARGARET McFARLIN flew in from Springfield area, after scratching one flight at Westover AFB because of below minimum conditions, and driving up the Connecticut valley to another airport where it was flyable. The rest of our 15 members attending the closed meetings, came on four wheels.

Congrats on new ratings: ANN PRINGLE received her Instructor's rating in January and is busy instructing full time at LaFleur Airport, Northampton. LANDON YOUNG, who is instructing at Norwood, has just obtained her Multi-engine rating.

RIPLEY and KEN MILLER are planning a spring vacation trip to Al-

buquerque, New Mexico to visit his sister. They and the children expect to head for the wide open spaces in late April.

Two lucky gals are enjoying the Beech T-34. MAJOR MARGARET McFARLIN checked out in the Westover AFB Aero Club ship, and PAM BUGG uses the Hanscom AFB Aero Club airplane. If their enthusiasm is any measure—it must be a real treat!



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GREATER N. Y. CHAPTER Dolores Madden, Reporter

On March 8th, KAY HILBRANDT addressed a group of some two hundred youngsters made up of the freshman class and the Aviation Club of Hasbruck Heights High School. As part of her talk, KAY showed the film "The Stamp of Friendship" which tells of the commemorative stamp issued in honor of AMELIA EARHART.

Our spring Section Meeting will be held on the weekend of May 20. Hosted by the Western New York Chapter in the Buffalo area, it will include a tour of the Cornell Aeronautical Laboratories and for those who have time a trip to Niagra Falls. All in all, it sounds like a wonderful weekend.

Most people these days, do not know whether they are coming or going. Our Chapter members do . . . they are either coming or going. February ushered in beautiful wintry weather, featuring a full-scale blizzard with a repeat performance; invigorating breezes—like winds out of the N.W. at 35 with gusts to 50 knots; interesting temperatures bouncing like a musical ball on the zero note. Many of our members missed all these winter wonders by flying south. JULIE WILSON has a winter haven on the Island of St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, and one balmy evening had four other 99s among her guests for cocktails. They

were VELMA DEL GIORNO, of the Michigan Chapter, JULIE VOM SAAL, AGNES HAVEY, and MINA ELSCHNER of Grtr. N. Y. Chapter.

JULIE joined the HAVEYS in the HAVEYS' Baron for the flight back to Florida, enroute stopping at South Caicos in the Bahamas for refueling. While there they went to a very small inn for a hasty lunch. CHARLOTTE MCCOULLUM and 49½er JIM were there to greet them. Quite a reunion in out-of-the-way spot. The MCCOLLUMs had stayed on after a vacation in the Bahamas with RUTH BLISS and BARBARA BROTHERTON and their respective 49½ers.

JUDY MELTSNER, Garden State Chapter, and Chairman of the start of AWTAR at Atlantic City this year, arranged a wonderful brunch for the working committee and several dignitaries at the Hotel Claridge in Atlantic City last month. Attending from our chapter were KAY BRICK, SELMA CRONAN, MINA ELSCHNER, LOIS FAIRBANK, KAY HILBRANDT, MARION LOPEZ, DORIS RENNINGER, and JULIE VOM SAAL. "Tender Loving Care" is the theme and with JUDY at the helm, TLC is what all contestants will get at the start of the 21st race. DORIS RENNINGER has agreed to Chair the Hospitality Committee with an assist from JULIE VOM SAAL.

At the time of this writing, DORIS has been behind the curtain four Sunday nights in a row, ready to go on the "What's My Line" program. Time has always run out after the mystery guest. She is "going" again, this time for a trip to Pres. ALICE ROBERTS' new home on "Why Worry Lane" in Phoenix for the Spring Executive Board meeting, and plans to take in the Southwest Section meeting.

SELMA CRONAN is going—to Washington D. C. to do research for a new book. For April publication by Random House, it's another first reader, titled "What is An Airplane?"

JULIE VOM SAAL and husband FRED are going—leaving on April 12 for Spain where their daughter and her husband are stationed. MINA ELSCHNER is going—mid April, back to St. Croix for a short two weeks to finish some work she had started for the Virgin Island Airways with whom she is associated.

RUTH BLISS is hospitalized at this time (mid - March) with pneumonia.

Our best wishes go to her . . . may she soon be GOING home, hale and hearty again.

LONG ISLAND CHAPTER

Honey Kate Trattler, Reporter

Long Island Ninety Nines are moving around this month. RUTH and CHARLES DOBRESCU and their daughters are leaving in mid-March for Hawaii. JO O'BRIEN and 49½er JAMES are flying their Cessna 172 to St. Louis for Easter — and JEAN GLICK is off for Europe with daughter LORNA about the same time.

HONEY KATE and CHARLES TRATTLER pile their youngsters into the Debonair each Friday afternoon and commute to Burlington, Vermont for weekend skiing — and MARGE GRAY just returned from Atlantic City, where she had her Flight Instructor's rating revalidated at the AOPA/FAA sponsored clinic there. Said it was an excellent course!

ELLIE McCULLOUGH spoke at the New York Academy of Sciences on March 9th. Subject was "Women in Aviation." Among our own ladies moving up in aviation are MARIAN-ALICE WYATT, THELMA BAKER, GUS ANDERSON, and HELEN MOXIM — all attending ground school toward their Commercial tickets.

Private pilots, and eligible now for membership, are LARRI TILLMAN and JOSEPHINE JONKE, both graduates of the LaGuardia Flying Service — by the next Newsletter we hope to welcome them as full fledged Ninety Nines.



EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Kate Macario, Reporter

Saturday, Feb. 18th, dawned with snow falling, disheartening those who had arranged for a "double feature" to be shown in the hangar at Wings Field in Ambler. But with a "no rain (or snow) date" notice out, the show had to go on; the sky cleared around noontime and over a hundred persons arrived, via auto. The double feature consisted of an exciting new FAA film on Density Altitude and included a Denalt performance computer given



Virginia girls are charting their course to the Middle-East Sectional where they will receive their Charter in April. L. to R.: Seated MAUREEN LEHMAN, BETTE WEST, NANCY KINDLUND, ANNE CUTLER. Standing: VIRGINIA RILEY (Membership Chairman); ESTHER GOBLE, Chairman; MAXINE WALKER (Treasurer); ROWENA SLUSHER; MARIAN HELMS (Secretary); MARY HOLLOWAY. (Photo by Bob Flournoy—Air National Guard, Sandston, Vt.)

free to pilots in the audience; and some fascinating slides shown by PETE PELLAGRINO of his balloon flight across the Alps. MR. PELLAGRINO is Chief Controller at N. Phila. Airport and a balloonist for 16 years. Both film and slides were entertaining and informative, providing an unusual afternoon for 99s and guests. ANNE SHIELDS and HELEN ZUBROW were responsible for this event and wisely had sold many tickets in advance. MARY HULL of Williamsport was a welcome visitor at this meeting; JOAN BERTLES flew in for her third meeting and is now our newest member.

Convention plans are taking shape and sound most inviting. JOYCE ROG-

GIO and KATE MACARIO joined the monthly convention meeting in Washington on March 10th and will relay the latest plans to the Chapter . . . A luncheon-meeting for the AWTAR Start was held in Atlantic City on March 12th. Members of our Chapter who attended were impressed with KAY BRICK's inspiring talk and the enthusiasm of those in charge.

PERSONAL PATTERN: IRENE WIRTSCHAFTER, apartment-hunting in Washington, D.C., due to job transfer . . . RUSTY STAHLEY and MARILYN MERTZ of Allentown appeared on a local radio show to encourage more women to fly . . . ALMA and DR. LOVELIDGE of Lancaster departed for Las Vegas in their Cessna

182 to attend a Proctology Convention . . . JOYCE ROGGIO and family jetted to Florida for the Easter holidays . . . MARIE and TONY D'ALTERIO took off in their Mooney for a Easter vacation in Florida where MARIE's parents live . . . Delighted to have ALICE HAMMOND back in the fold; Chicago's loss is our gain . . . ELSIE McBRIDE jetted to California and back on a business trip for her boss . . . BETH STURTEVANT, HELEN PRICE, BARBARA and BILL MORRISON flew to Lock Haven for a private tour of the plant; saw the new Navajo, Piper is building . . . Proud of son, MICHAEL, who soloed two days after his 16th birthday . . .

WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER
Ruth Freckleton, Reporter

The strength of our organization lies in our purpose: 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 in general. Many of us in this National Capitol area work on this full-time—and depend on the rest for part-time support.

It is our pleasure to welcome our sister chapter — VIRGINIA — at the Sectional Meeting when 10 new members, plus five transfers, will obtain their Charter. Maryland Chapter is the host for the meeting.

CONVENTION NEWS: FAY WELLS and VIRGINIA THOMPSON must be working full-time, for progress is developing for the enjoyment of our world-wide members. We know that NELLIE JACKSON has gone all-out on the photographic contest. She reports pictures are already coming in. Get your pictures in as soon as possible. Read about it in the AOPA Magazine PILOT . . . Any prizes may be donated, if you so desire!

While the members from Washington toy with the idea of writing a cook-book, our hostesses (and all of them thin, mind you), try their favorite recipes at our meetings — the latest one at VELTA BENN's home. Oh, boy — that chocolate pie! . . . NANCY LYNAM announced that LAURA ZERENER passed her Flight Instructor rating! Hurrah! And our own WENDY BLANCHARD has been recommended as the Sectional Representative for the AE award. We were honored by the presence of the following prospective transfers and members: JEAN COFFMAN, MAYETTA BEHRINGER, JOAN F. STALK, IRENE N. WIRTSCHAFTER, and ROE WHITNEY. Surprise guest from Maryland, ADA MITCHELL, presented the Chapter with a marvelous 20-year-old scrap book. It was a very delightful evening.

If any of you can visit for the May meeting, contact FAY WELLS. It will be at the American Newspaper Women's Club (meal costs \$2.50), on Friday evening, May 13th. Bring your ideas forward for the Convention.



**Is Your Calendar
Marked For The
Southeast Spring Sectional
Natchez, Mississippi
May 5, 6, and 7 ? ? ? ?**

ALABAMA CHAPTER
Donna Willard, Reporter

The March winds were blowing Sunday, and it took LOIS BATES and this reporter three hours to fly 210 miles to our meeting in Monroeville, Alabama. The trip was certainly worth it, as we got to see the film on AMELIA EARHART. The film was so inspiring, that if I didn't already know how to fly, I'd start taking lessons. We had our meeting in Monroeville, because there are five student pilots who are interested in eventually joining our Chapter of the 99s.

Our meeting was sponsored by the Telephone Co. in the Vanity Fair Clubhouse, where we saw the new look in lingerie. The door prize (a beautiful slip from Vanity Fair) was won by one of our student pilots, RUTH LEE.

Flying news: 49½er ARCHIE and SUSAN WITT had a most beautiful trip to the Bahamas. They followed the Exuma chain of Islands. SUE reports that the Calacs are unbelievable and there are plenty of good airstrips on the other islands. They found a very lovely place to stay on Abaso and Treasure Key.

With a young son-in-law in National Guard Training in Texas, JUANITA HALSTEAD has been seeing some of that state. JUANITA reports nice flying weather. NANCY BEELAND and JUANITA are busy getting ready for the I.A.R. in May.

ELISE HEILPERN and 49½er GENE headed for the launching of the S. S. President Grant at Ingalls Shipbuilding in Pascagoula. They had to circle for 45 minutes because of ground fog and returned to Montgomery.

NANCY BEELAND flew a Cessna Skymaster to Tuscaloosa, Alabama in

1:05 and returned home in :38. That's real tail wind!

GERRY CHASE reports that she went fox hunting instead of flying this month.

BENNIE PETERS picked up GERRY CHASE and guest Student Pilot RUTH LEE in Birmingham for the meeting. They had to fly IFR all the way. BENNIE, 49½er PHILIP, and their four and seven year old co-pilots are going to Sanibal Island during school spring vacation.

RUTH LEE, one of our student pilots and prospective members, soloed Monday, Feb. 27.

JUDY HUCK, who will soon be a member of our Chapter, flew an Aztec from Mobil to Lakeland, Florida, then to Homosassa Springs, Florida. She flew over flats looking for rock piles and deep holes where the big fish stay. (She found some BIG ones).

FLORIDA GOLDCOAST CHAPTER
Dottie Harrison, Reporter

Plans are being made to have a joint meeting of all the Florida Chapters on March 8 at Orlando to discuss plans for the International Convention. This will be a luncheon meeting and we hope a lot of our members will fly to Orlando for it.

Requests for rules for the International Air Race are beyond expectations of the Florida Woman Pilots Association. The route—from Montreal, Canada (site of Expo '67) to Miami, Florida—should provide an interesting flight for the contestants. VIRGINIA BRITT, Race Chairman, recently flew from Fort Lauderdale to Miami International Airport to have publicity pictures made with CONNIE STAFFORD, Terminus Chairman, and the vice mayor of Metropolitan Miami.

DOROTHY DAVIDSON and 49½ers LEONARD DAVIDSON and DON PORTER flew into Homestead for the ground breaking ceremonies of Rockwell Standard, makers of Aero Commander.

MIRIAM DAVIS and CONNIE STAFFORD got the helicopter bug when MARY GAFFNEY flew them into Tropical Park Race Track in a helicopter for Mental Health Day at the races.

Our Chapter members' flying activities seem to have increased this month, now that the holidays are over. VIRGINIA BRITT flew some friends to Gainesville in her 310 for the horse

show there. SUE HOFFMAN flew in to Chalet Suzanne for a gourmet luncheon. Recently VERA and LEE BRATZ did the Bahama tour in a Mooney and had an exciting time.

Our Instructor, LOIS PORTER, has been putting pilots through their paces, doing lazy-eights in light twins.

MAGGIE and BILL FIELDS are thrilled over their new Beech Travel Air, and MAGGIE is hard at work on her Multi-Engine rating. Good luck, MAGGIE!

Hope to see a lot of you all at the terminus of the IAR in Miami on May 26 and 27. Happy Flying!

GEORGIA CHAPTER

Betty W. McNabb, Reporter

Georgia Ninety Nines were greeted by ROBERT PEGRAM's affable crew at Newnan-Coweta Airport just below Atlanta, in March. This is a relatively new operation, the strip hard-surfaced under Georgia's tremendous airport program, and Ninety-Nines are enjoying visiting these new facilities whenever possible.

Chairman CAROLYN KENNEDY and 49½'er BIFF Comanched in, their first flying trip since their auto accident. They feel a bit battered but were up and flying, which made us all extremely happy.

ESTHER GRUPENHAGEN bounced over in a Cessna 150 against a 26 knot headwind, announcing her imminent departure for Sweden. She says she is going to found a Chapter or Section there and will hold open house for all Ninety Nines. She also told the Chapter that April 29, Georgia's famous Flying Rebels will hear all about Ninety Nines and see the Stamp Fly-away Film. Ninety-Nines in the area are urged to contact her if they can come to this dinner meeting.

JEAN VOYLES arrived in her Cessna 210, brought a guest, BARBARA WITCHER, and mentioned that she had a grand time at the first Jekyll Island Fly-in which was seconded by the KENNEDYs. There were also a few Florida 99s there.

JANICE MASSEE of Atlanta was welcomed into active membership at this meeting; young in years, she is a veteran pilot, having soloed on her 16th birthday. She is a real estate agent in Atlanta.

ELLEN CASWELL drove in from Griffin, reported that BETTY JO ALI-

SON and SKIP had departed for a long-planned Florida weekend, as did MYRTLE and WALT CAGLE, LOIS and GEORGE LACY. This was Florida weather for sure—high clouds, blue sky, warm air, and many MANY king-sized bumps.

BETTY McNABB Bonanza'd in with her father, F. B. WOOD of Panama City, who saw the Wright Brothers fly. He soloed BET's Tri-Pacer when he was 82, but said spare him the Georgia hill-country turbulence. Also in the Bonanza were HOLLY SMITH and CAROL LOWERY of Albany.

Luncheon was at Will's Restaurant in Newnan, transportation courtesy of the fixed base operation where everybody was most pleasant and helpful. And as for lunch—we recommend you detour via Newnan just to try that wonderful home cooking, served either buffet or family style.

Sectional at NATCHEZ, replete with beautiful antebellum homes and a tour of them for Ninety Nines—and then WASHINGTON here we come.

Anybody for RON Kits?

MEMPHIS CHAPTER

Ann Hatten, Reporter

"March winds bring April showers" someone once wrote and on the basis of that statement CHRIS BROWN invited a guest speaker for our March meeting who has a special interest in air movement and more specifically thermals. MR. EUGERT YERIAN, the Grandfather of the Memphis Soaring Society, past Editor of Soaring Magazine and former record holder of the two-place glider out and return distance record, is a man who will speak anywhere, anytime at the drop of a tow line of his favorite subject—Soaring. Several of us have been enthusiastic about gliders since the opportunity to ride in the big Schweitzer hangared at Mary Stanley Field in Arkansas and now we feel MR. YERIAN has started an epidemic of "glider fever."

The Arkansas Chapter has extended an invitation to the Memphis and Shreveport Chapters to participate in a spot landing contest April 4 followed by a luncheon at the "Top of the Rock" in Little Rock. Memphis Chapter will be well represented and hopefully will return with a laurel or two.

INA and MIKE WALKER and HILDA and DOYLE SAVAGE flew to

Freeport, Grand Bahama in HILDA's new Mooney Mark 21, a trip HILDA has made many times but this was the first for her new Mooney. We understand the new plane performs beautifully as long as INA is there to lend an assist with the manual gear which is a little stiff yet.

LOYCE O'NEAL's husband seems to have a side line of airplane trading. LOYCE, who usually flies their Mooney, was just getting used to her new Cessna 140 when husband JOHN replaced it with a Tripacer. Just after checking out in the new plane, LOYCE says he sold the Pacer so now it's back to the Mooney. LOYCE recently flew to Fort Worth, Texas for a weekend visit with her daughter.

POLLY DUNCAN has been elected Secretary-Treasurer of the MAFIA. Don't be alarmed, MAFIA stands for the Memphis Area Flight Instructors Association, however, as they say in the underworld, POLLY does pack a rod . . . the type used for fishing. She and HOWARD test hopped their new travel trailer on a fishing trip to Fort Myers, Florida recently.

We are happy to hear that LINDA ARNOLD was given an Assistantship at Memphis State University where she is a student in the Masters program of Physical Geography.

INA WALKER, our AE Scholarship applicant, is busily preparing for Multi-engine and Instructor ratings. ROSEMARY WILLIAMS and TRIS BUCHANAN are preparing for Instrument ratings. TRIS received notice of a passing grade on the Instrument written. This Chapter is really stacking up the proficiency ratings.

Yours truly is storing up grog and hard tack for a Windjammer cruise in the Bahamas departing anon, so if you'll excuse me I'll go finish packing my seabag.

TENNESSEE CHAPTER

Edna Davis, Reporter

The weather was IFR when LADY McREYNOLDS, RUTH THOMAS, and I were ready to leave McGhee Tyson Airport, Knoxville, Tennessee to fly to Berry Field, Nashville, Tennessee. We were glad to have FARRIS THOMAS (RUTH's husband), a veteran above-the-clouds, for our pilot. After we got on top of the clouds the sky was beautiful. The flight was a very pleasant one. We did pick up a small amount of ice just as it was time to let down:

however, this did not create a problem.

The Tennessee Chapter and the Memphis Chapter had planned to meet in Nashville for business and pleasure. Senator MARY ANDERSON, GEORGIANA McCONNELL, and JERRY GUTHRY were at the airport to meet us. Arrangements were complete for lunch, business, and fun.

Poor flying weather between Memphis and Nashville caused some of the Memphis girls to take to the highway while others waited for the weather to change. Before the day passed about twenty 99s arrived, each with a different story about the trip.

After the business, KENNETH GUTHRY showed a film on wake turbulence and gave a very enjoyable talk that included some of the funny things that have happened to him since he has been selling airplanes. If you need a speaker that can tell funny stories and keep the audience laughing, he is the man! It was a pleasant way to end the afternoon.

The evening meal was at the Brass Rail Restaurant. This was our time to visit with old friends and make new ones. Can you imagine what it is like — twenty female pilots and one 49½er (MR. FARRIS THOMAS) seated at a large round table, covered with a red and white checked cloth, and everyone talking at the same time? I can tell you it really made a picture! People at the surrounding tables stopped talking and just listened to the stories about flying that MR. THOMAS and some of the girls were telling. By watching the people in the restaurant, I learned that pilots are not the only ones that enjoy "hangar" talk. Our conversation around the table was much more fun than visiting the Grand Ole Opry!

I have been waiting for DOT PATTON to give her consent before I told you this news. She is waiting for a pilot by nature to spread his strong, wide wings, and fly a little bundle to her from Heaven. If the stork meets his flight plan, he will arrive in July. Best wishes to both of you, DOTTIE. Maybe another 99, who knows?

A prospective member, JESSIE DRAIN, is working hard toward her Private license so she will be eligible to join the 99s. We will be pleased to have JESSIE in our Chapter. Hurry up and get that check ride!



PREPARE PEORIA PLANS PRONTO....

North Central
Spring Sectional
Plans that is —
May 5, 6, 7

ALL-OHIO CHAPTER Edy Maxim, Reporter

Our thanks to LEE ROCK and CLARA THARPE, who arranged and hosted our February meeting at the Dayton Municipal Airport, and who even arranged for a CAVU day at DAY. We're sure the DAY tower must have thought the Powder Puff Derby was on early this year, and the Powder Puffers were converging upon them. There was hardly a male voice on the frequency. Speaking of racing, there was much interest in the coming I.A.R. — Montreal to Miami. All-Ohio will probably have at least 6 teams.

We were pleased to see BETTE WARNER at the February meeting, after her lengthy illness. The good doctor let BETTE fly her Bonanza around the patch.

MARGARET HAMMOND recuperating from recent surgery, and has appreciated hearing from so many 99s.

AUTRIE LEHR thanks all the girls who braved the weather to meet with the Department of Commerce in Columbus on February 2nd to try to get Air Marking money back into the budget.

CONNIE JONES gave her "Flight Ladies" talk to the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Church of the Cross in Cleveland Heights on January 24th. AND CONNIE has been elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Stearman Club, based at Concord Airpark in Painesville.

In January, JoANN STYPE passed writtens for Ground Instructor (Basic) and Flight Instructor. JoANN, too, has been doing a bit of speaking. She gave a talk and showed race films for the Wooster Jayceettes on February 16th. This is the 8th time in the

last six months she has presented this program. She is also scheduled for the Wooster 20-30 Club on March 2nd.

VIRGINIA TOOPER has given nine talks to women's clubs since January 1st. She parallels her program to a "flight" with the audience as passengers. They take off and land together. When she tells them, "we're circling the field," they know it is her way of saying "and in closing." She is amazed and pleased at the number of interesting questions she has to answer informally after the program.

MARGE COMPTON is teaching the third class of high school students in Aviation Education. Students are prepared for FAA written, as well as given the history of aviation, and a fairly broad course in the general field of aerospace. The State of Ohio has approved the course at Upper Arlington High School, and is currently considering state adoption for the course.

More ratings: LEAH SCHOFIELD got her Multi-engine rating, and used it, too, attending the DAYTON meeting. Her 49½er, SCHO, got his Instrument rating. Now there's a busy family.

MARYA GIESY has her Instrument rating as of December.

DOROTHY HAUPT has been checked out in a Cherokee 160.

BUNNY FOLEY spent four days at the School of Aerospace Medicine at Brooks Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas. Also visited the Manned Spacecraft Center at Houston.

BONNIE and LEE MILLER just returned from 3 weeks at Ledo Beach, Florida.

And how is this for a 14-day flying vacation. RUTH and MERRILL LOVE really took their 182 around the circle. CLE to Ft. Lauderdale. Then Nassau, Exuma and RON at S. Caicos. Being unable to receive permission to land at Dominican Republic, it was a really distant overwater hop from S. Caicos to San Juan. RON at San Juan and St. Croix, where shopping was good. On to Martinique, Trinidad and RON at Caracas, Venezuela for two nights. RON at Curacao, a Dutch possession. From Banquilla, Colombia, to Panama where they spent 2 days, one of which was an impressive train trip to Colon. Another overnight at Costa Rica. On to Nicaragua, and RON at El Salvador. Then into Mexico — Tapachula, Ixtepec, Minatitlan, and Tampico. Brownsville, U.S.A.

looked good, and felt like home, even though it was still hundreds of miles from starting point: Cleveland. This a marvelous experience, with a great deal of good flying and good flying weather. A few exceptions, of course, like the little airport in Mexico that has a perpetual 45-knot day-night gale a-blowing. However, probably the most significant difficulties encountered were the language barrier and the time involved with paper work. We look forward to more details and the pictures of the trip.

On a lengthier trip and far different mode of travel is MARTHA WALTER, who is on a 10-week cruise to the Mediterranean, and due back mid-April.

MUGS, ANYONE?

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER

Leah Warren, Reporter

Whee!—thirty pages in the February NEWS. Each reporter seemed to have outdone herself on unusual information. All that had a part in the NEWS—ALICE, PEG, and individual reporters all should have a vote of praise and keep up the good work.

Thirteen people made it to Peoria, Mt. Hawley on March 4. We should have all the snow and such blown out of the weather so that "all of you" can make it in for Sectional—May 5-7. EVELYN FARLEY and DEED HOLCOMB laid out some good food to offset the day. Then several tried out the Frasca Instrument Simulator which is now available at Mt. Hawley Airport.

JANET ZIPPRICH is getting ready for spring. The plane, a Tri-pacer, has been sold with the hopes of buying a newer one.

EVELYN and RALPH FARLEY have an airplane that does not like to start in cold weather. (We do too.) They drove up to the Galena area and tried skiing. EVELYN says her skiing is just like her landings. Anyone know what she means?

GLORIA FARR had a jet trip to San Francisco. Didn't find it monotonous at all.

ESTHER SALOMONE got a week in Florida. Her trip back extended to include an overnite stop in St. Louis when the weather got such that even the airlines stayed put.

JEAN READ and hubby are South for a month. Young members of the family will join them over Easter and



Chicago Area Officers. TONY TEIBER (Treasurer), JEAN CLAUSS (Corresponding Secretary), SUE ROSCOE (Chairman), VIRGINIA COFFEEN (Vice-Chairman), DOROTHY WHITE (Recording Secretary).

then JEAN will be back and ready to do registration desk for us.

THEO SOMMER made the jet to California to see her school daughter and also an ill friend.

DEE ADAMSON and her sister and family are due back in States this month.

ROSE ANDREW keeps busy running back and forth to Doctor and then hospital. Son, PAUL, has had a winter of it — and finally some knee surgery. Rest of the time, she can exercise the two St. Bernards up and down the runway.

DEED and MAX HOLCOMB like our snow storms. Drove home from Peoria in the first, then had a trip to Decatur in the second. That time they gave up and did an RON. We must have top soil from Colorado that came with the "black" snow of that storm.

BARBARA and ED JENISON are headed to Florida too. Imagine BARBARA's mother will return North with them.

MARJORIE KELLY has already had her Florida stay so she is really helping on Sectional. Found out the other day that her 49½er is one of about 40 attorneys to have the title of Senior Counselor. This is conferred by the Illinois State Bar Association. This is quite an honor, FRED. We are very

proud of you!

See you May 5-7, Ramada Inn, Peoria.

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER

Virginia Roth, Reporter

An extra big thanks to SALLY STREMPPEL (Chairman) and her wonderful committee for an outstanding and beautiful decorated February meeting at Palwaukee Field. The theme — a combination of Lincoln's, Washington's Birthday and Valentine's Day was most unique, and there were many ooh's and ah's amongst the members and guests. The refreshments and lovely decorated 99 cake were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

MARTHA GAUNCE, of Montana Chapter, and her daughter JANE, were guests of SUE ROSCOE and JEAN CLAUSS. Also a very warm welcome to DR. MARCELLA RITTER and GERTRUDE STUPEC who have just joined our Chapter; and JEAN BISHOP who moved to Chicago from Alabama and is in the process of transferring her membership. JEAN has her private license and has done most of her flying in Cessna's. She is most anxious to see Illinois from the air—when we dig out of the snow!

MARY SHUMWAY sez "big snow" has grounded her for quite a few



Chicago Area February meeting at Palwaukee Field. MARGE KINNEY, NANCY NELSON (Co-Hostess), GERRY RYBERG, SALLY STREMPER (Hostess Chairman), SUE ROSCOE (Chapter Chairman), LORETTA SINCORA, and JUANITA FINEMAN.

weeks, but was faithfully shoveling hangar out and looking after "Fox-baby." She was exuberant over flight last week to Moline, Ill. and LaCrosse, Wis., when she picked up 45 MPH tailwind out of LaCrosse at 7500' and had a ground speed of 202 mph on the way home. Now she's taking skiing lessons when she can't fly so as to keep in condition for "Powder Puff."

JEAN CLAUSSE flew commercial to California for 2½ weeks in January and returned just in time to "shovel out" with the rest of us.

LOUISE and RAY KOKESH have been busy coming and going to the Bahamas. Went to Freeport, Grand Bahamas the 19th of January and back to Nassau the 10th of February.

They really know the route between DuPage County Airport and West Palm Beach. And then there are those (during this inclement weather) who feel sorry for themselves!

CAROLINE and GEORGE SMITH flew their Cherokee 180 to New Jersey for the week of Jan. 14-21. The Cherokee is a recent purchase and since she has flown only Musketeers and Cessna 150's, she used the week getting checked out and enjoyed flying in the area where she obtained her license.

MARY PANCZYSZYN and husband DOC GEORGE flew Comanche 250 to Iron Mountain, Mich. for a bit of skiing. It was wonderful with the VOR right on the field—you just couldn't miss!

Wisconsin had a wonderful Weather Seminar at Pioneer Motel, Oshkosh. The ROSCOES and CLAUSSES thank you for a relaxing educational week-end.

GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

Aleah Combs pinch hitting for
Nita Irwin & Joy Morrison

With one of our news reporters, JOY MORRISON, in the hospital and NITA IRWIN with illness in her family, I volunteered to get something in the NEWSLETTER.

At our last meeting, Dr. Donald Coleman, Captain in the Air Force stationed at Richards Gebaur, and Chief of the Air-Medical Services of the base, was our speaker. His subject was "How Drugs, Liquor, Smok-

SPECIAL NOTICE

Don't forget to send for the 99 Stamps. \$1.00 per sheet. Remember this is the way Kansas City is earning money to contribute to the Powder Puff Derby. This is one way we can keep the name of the Ninety-Nines before the public every day in the year. Use the stamps on your own mail, sell a few sheets to your boss to put on the business mail, sell them to anyone who believes in general aviation and particularly the Ninety-Nines. We'll be expecting those orders. Just send your check to ALEAH COMBS, 4726 Skyline Drive, Mission, Kansas 66205, and you'll get your stamps by return mail.

ing, and Vertigo Effect your Flying." He showed a film which was most interesting and a lengthy question and answer session followed.

A fly-out was planned for February but the inclement weather did not permit it, so the plans were changed and the girls were all to meet at Olathe at the Radar Center for a tour. Guess what? Only MARGARET REID and BOBBI MILLER showed up. They spent the biggest part of the day there and the fellows asked them to be their guests at lunch.

We are adding two new members to our rolls—JOSEPHINE DAVIS from Leavenworth, Kansas, and HELEN BODE from Olathe. We are delighted to have these new members join our group.

The bad weather has been very conducive to study—many of our girls are working on new ratings—PEGGY WRIGHT, JOY MORRISON, and COLENE GORDON have been boning up during the last couple of months so before long we will be adding new ratings to our group.

ROSAMOND OLIVER is also studying like a little beaver. ROSAMOND goes to the University of Missouri at Kansas City and is working on her degree in sociology. As soon as she gets this off her mind and still in the studying mood, she will start working on her Commercial, I'm sure.

MARY ANN NOAH spent a week-end in Daytona, Florida, the first part of this month and is planning on another trip to Florida to visit her sister.

The incorporation of our Chapter is complete. We now have a seal and minute book just like the big corporations.

How many met over the Lamoni VOR in the holding pattern last Sunday? It was a good day to be on instruments.

Next meeting will be held at the Hilton Inn on March 2.

To all our friends in the North Central Section mark your 1968 calendar for Kansas City on April 26, 27 and 28 — the Sectional meeting will be held at the Hilton Inn and we're making plans now for all of you.

GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER

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At the March meeting and dinner at the Hilton Inn, it was agreed to have the usual Father's Day airlift at Fairfax Airport. The proceeds from both Fairfax and Marshall, will go for 99 activities, while the airlift at Atchison will be held for Scholarship and Derby contributions.

Mark your calendar—there will be no regular April meeting. The Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce has invited the 99s and husbands for dinner Sunday, April 16. Also the May meeting has been dispensed with because of the spring sectional at Peoria, Illinois on May 5, 6 and 7. New member JOBY DAVIS will be hostess at the June meeting at the Fort Leavenworth Officers' Club.

ROSAMOND OLIVER was appointed Air-Marking Chairman and MARGE PARIS, who is an old hand at this, will serve as advisor and consultant. Two-hundred and fifty dollars have been set aside for airmarking and the girls want to do the work. ALEAH COMBS will check to see how much the State of Kansas will do to help.

Ran into PAT KEENEY playing piano and singing at Putsch's 210 and learned she's working on her Commercial and Instrument. DOROTHY STRATTON is running a race with time on her Commercial as her written is just about up.

The February fly-out, piloted by MARILYN DICKSON, MARY ANN NOAH, JOAN REINDEL, and MARGARET WRIGHT, brought together 13 members and guests. The departure point was Fairfax Airport, then to Chillicothe for a powder-puff fly - by and on to Marshall for lunch. JOAN REINDEL flew a straight course to

Marshall as she started from Leavenworth, and was on the ground, in the restaurant with her guests (student pilots) when we arrived. We were made most welcome at Marshall and the Chamber of Commerce took a few pictures, one of which found its way to the front page of the Marshall newspaper.

MARGARET REID and 49^{1/2}er with friends from OMA flew to MSY in a Mooney Mark 21 to duplicate a trip they had taken 4 years ago. They stopped for lunch in LTR and stayed in the French Quarter in MSY. Evidently a lot of time was spent eating as RALPH REID acquired the name of Super - Oyster. MARGARET said the white knuckle part of the trip was from MSY airport to the hotel in the wildest taxi ride ever, missing the sides of buildings by inches.

MARGARET WRIGHT and NITA IRWIN had several firsts on a trip to ABQ. It was the first time for both over mountains in a small plane and, needless to say, quite a thrill. Judging from all the hangar flying they've listened to, they had smooth mountain flying. After lots of hot sauce, sight-seeing, and pinata-purchasing, it was too soon time to depart.

SARAH GORELICK and MARY ANN NOAH are new owners of Comanche 260's. SARAH's is blue and white and MARY ANN's is tan and sand.

GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER

Amy Laws, Reporter

Somehow I managed to miss last month's Newsletter — to my everlasting chagrin. So be prepared for a double dose of "doin's" about our Chapter. I don't feel too badly about it since we have inaugurated a Local Newsletter, ably written by JAN PO-COCK and what JAN doesn't mention, just ain't worth mentioning — so thorough has she been. We also got up a questionnaire sort of thing and sent it to our members — 28 of whom responded. The idea is to find out more about each other's background and get to know each other better. We tried to keep it impersonal and slanted toward flying activities, but we noticed we touched some tender spots because so many of the girls gave their day of birth, but accidentally on purpose left out the year. Well, none of our business anyway. As long as they can still fly—they are young.

To disgress a little, there are a few things I overlooked in my last report. One of the most fabulous happenings occurred in January, when LOIS and LLOYD BARTLETT celebrated their first wedding anniversary. This clever couple had a helicopter fly them in to their home on the Greenbriar Country Club grounds. They were accompanied by the Matron of Honor, IRENE RAWLINGS, who was thrilled to fly over St. Louis' Arch, the scene of the BARTLETTs' wedding in an airplane, a year ago. A large cocktail party followed, but the high spot for me was that I got to go back to Lambert Field in the helicopter with the pilot, JOHN MURPHY of Fostaire Aviation. Great experience and sort of different than fixed wing flying, as I learned when he let me follow him through on the controls.

January is also our customary joint meeting with the St. Louis Aero Club, and it was to have been a very auspicious one, but Mother Nature played us a dirty trick. That was the night of the infamous tornado which hit St. Louis County and demolished hundreds of homes. The Achievement Awards were given out, by candlelight, but our planned movie, "The Stamp of Friendship," about AMELIA EARHART couldn't be shown due to electrical power failure. In fact, the whole airport was blacked out for the evening.

The Awards went to these deserving girls: 1st Place, JEAN LENNERTSON; second place, VAL JOHNSON; third place, RUTH TAKSEL; fourth place, LOIS SHAFER; and fifth place, KIT HEACOCK. Congratulations to you all!

We did finally get to see the AE movie at the following meeting in February, again with the Aero Club. It was a great saga of a great woman, well worth seeing. Incidentally I took my nose out of the book, "The Search for Amelia Earhart" by FRED GOERNER, just long enough to write this column. Put it on your list of **must** reading.

Our Chapter is having its annual Rummage Sale in VAL JOHNSON's hometown of St. Clair, Mo. this April 1st. We find this to be the best means of raising money and having fun.

SKY LADY DERBY: Since our members, DOTTIE HAUPT and KIT HEACOCK are Chairmen of this race which is in Ft. Worth, Texas this year,

we have a special interest in it, and girls are making plans to fly it now. The rest of you don't forget the impound date is June 22, and the race is flown June 23rd. Contact KIT at 600 Ostle, Collinsville, Ill. for further details. Deadline for applications is June 1st, so please mark your calendars now. A lot of our 99s are also WNAA members too—the WNAA sponsor this race and it should make for a gay reunion.

FLYING ACTIVITIES:

KIT HEACOCK went to New Jersey to pick up a new Slits Playboy, an aerobatic plane. KIT's mighty active these days, just took a job at Lambert Field, teaching instruments for ED OLDFATHER, local Instructor and Ground School Operator. She also reports that she's involved in a new Aerobatic Club — 23 people showed up for the first meeting.

Two new Instrument ratings in January, KAY MEYER and RUTH TAKSEL. Congratulations, we are proud of you! RUTH pointed out that this makes five of our members who hold this rating. Our members continue to uprate.

Heard by the grapevine that RUTH ferried a new 210 back from Wichita,

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sans radio, and in spite of a walk around (I guess) failed to notice that it had no struts — she was **that** surprised when she noticed it after she got to home field in St. Louis. In defense, she could use the excuse that runways were icy on both ends and she had to land at Columbia, Mo. to phone in for permission to land at Lambert Field without a radio — so who could spend time studying the details of the new model?

LORETTA SLAVICK received the warmest hospitality from members of the Utah Chapter on a recent business trip there. Her hostess was ALBERTA NICHOLSON of Salt Lake City. LORETTA was also invited to be guest speaker at the Zonta Club of Belleville, Ill. at their Amelia Earhart dinner.

IRENE RAWLINGS is happy to be back in the air in her Mooney which was damaged in a tornado last fall.

It's all dressed up with silver flaps and tail.

To GRACE COVYEAU's credit goes a second parachute jump. GRACE, do jumpers still yell "Geronimo" or is that movie stuff? Please let me know, 'cause I don't think I'll learn first hand.

ROMANCE: Not one but two of our girls are headed for the altar. Sporting beautiful new engagement rings are GUSSIE PATRICK and DONNA RAE HOPPER. GUSSIE's fiancé is JOHN FREESE of the local FAA, and DONNA's is her co-pilot JOHN HENKE, son of AUGGIE and FRAN HENKE of St. Charles airport. Best wishes girls, and congratulations to you men in picking out 99s for your wives.

Speaking of romance, did I forget to mention that one of the reasons my 49½'er JACK and I made the trip to Mexico (see report in Feb. issue) was to rest up from a wedding in our family? Our daughter, BONNIE, went down the aisle two days after Christmas with RICK WILLIAMSON, of Cape Girardeau, Mo. RICK's in the Army now, and BONNIE is biding her time while waiting for him, working as a Flight Hostess for Interstate Air-motive at Lambert Field. Same company GUSSIE works for, by the way.

MARGARET WALSH flew to an MPA meeting one Sunday with friends, and on returning at dark, met a most interesting 99 from the East. She was ISABEL BLODGETT, E. New England Chapter, and she was flying from Boulder, Colo. to Cambridge, Mass. They had a nice chat and ISABEL RON'd at St. Louis.

Welcome to LORNA JAMES as a new member. LORNA flies at Lambert Field with the St. Louis Flying Club.

LOIS SHAFER's made so many trips, it's hard to list them all—some of the places she has been recently are Chicago, Ill., Detroit, Mich., Phila. Penn., Wash. D. C., Cleveland, O., Minneapolis, Minn., etc. LOIS is flying for a company based at Spirit of St. Louis airport.

We were all concerned during the recent tornado for the home of EDITH and AL OLOVITCH. Fortunately for them it was spared, although it was directly in the storm's path and many homes on her street were leveled. Other members who lived close by reported their homes safe, too. Both the JOHNSONs' and the LAWS' planes

sustained some hail damage that night. However, we here in St. Louis got off rather lightly — it could have been worse.

And with that happy thought I'll make it 30 for now. Weather bound to improve all over — so Happy Flying!

INDIANA CHAPTER

Delia Sanders, Reporter

The Board for the FAIR race are holding monthly pitch-in dinner meetings to make plans and progress for the next race in October at Bloomington. MURIEL DYKEMA, last year's winner, is the Chairman of the Board for this year. If you followed MURIEL in her past activities in Air Marking, you will know that with her well-chosen Board members, she will have everything under control.

GLORIA and BILL RICHARDS show a variety of movies and slides on different phases of flying the first Friday evening of each month at Terry Field, a few miles west of Westfield, Ind. With a crackling fire in the fireplace, coffee and refreshments on hand, the program enjoyed is divided between an educational film and one or more of the scenic type. Owner-Manager of Terry Field, RAY VAN SICKLE and wife, JULIA, extend a warm welcome to all who come. Anyone living in this area should not miss this monthly Friday night meeting. GLORIA has been featured in a film showing her flight in a glider from take-off to landing. This was made and shown originally by one of the local TV stations. Her 49½er, BILL, and son BILLY are also active in the Central Indiana Soaring Society, Inc.

MARTHA HOLST was re-elected as Advisor to the Purdue Pilots, Inc. at their last meeting. This group is a student and staff organization at Purdue University boasting 75 members and 3 aircraft.

TANNIE and PAUL SCHLUNDT are leaving February 24th for Freeport in the Grand Bahamas — flying Queen Air. This is another Holiday Inn event, so we will expect a full report sometime in the future since they seem to be trying out the Holiday Inns in various parts of the country or countries.

PAULINE GENUNG escorted six girl scouts on a tour of Weir Cook Airport. They were shown a pre-flight

inspection of a Musketeer in TURNER's hangar along with a description of the functions of control surfaces and instruments. MR. HENNING, one of TURNER's pilots, introduced them to a Queen Air and gave a brief account of some of his flying experiences. PAULINE also showed movies to a third grade class of Speedway School. The pictures were taken of private flying activities, plus movies of traffic landing at Weir Cook last May for the 500 Mile Race and also of the Indiana FAIR Race last October. The children were most appreciative and in a few years' time she may see the result of some of her efforts in introducing flying to this group.

DOROTHY HENDRICKS joined the League of Women Voters at the State Capitol, seeing our legislators at work and having lunch with their local Senators and Representatives.

SOPHIA PAYTON, just back from Cleveland and Columbus, Ohio, will be taking off shortly in March for Miami, Florida. She recently gave up her work at Indiana Aviation and is catching up on some of her travelling plans.

MARGARET PETTY is the new owner of a Cherokee 235C as of Feb-

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ruary 1st. She made a shake-down flight to Richmond, Virginia and the aircraft checked out beautifully. Next trip in March to Charleston, South Carolina and then on to Florida.

JILL McCORMICK received information about the Pylon Racing and then decided to do something about it. She applied and recently received word that she had been accepted as a Team Member. She is looking forward to some very interesting experiences.

DOROTHY SMITH has had several visitors this month. Section Governor, ANN ROETHKE, came one Saturday. Then four members of the Bluegrass (Ky.) Chapter came to visit the Center and to see DOROTHY.

ADELLA NEFF and 49½er LEONARD flew air lines to Jacksonville, Florida, in February for a short vacation and a visit with relatives.

IOWA CHAPTER

Mary Lou Ballensky, Reporter

So, the snow went away and the late winter fog moved in! When you consider we schedule at least two meetings a year for the Cloud Room at Des Moines Municipal, we see less of that restaurant than any other place in Iowa! It lives up to its name, with alarming regularity, at least two Sundays out of every year!

Although there were eighteen total in attendance, only seven 99s were from out-of-town, and I'm sure they must have arrived by oxcart or mule train! One of the guests was MYRTLE CAMPBELL of Dallas Center. She and her husband run the Dallas Center Airport, and her son operates the Perry Airport.

SHIRLEY HARTMAN was there with her son, GEORGE, who is also a pilot. Having already undergone two operations on her wrists and another still in the offing, her young son drove for her. Pretty wonderful of him, to say the least! SHIRLEY will host the next meeting at Bloomfield, and is anxious to show off their new concrete strip.

Here's a big "thank you" to BERNIECE MALLOY for the notes; I am happy to pass along her special "thank you" to our South African 99s for their orders for our Iowa 99 flight bags. It's fun to see them going out to other parts of the world as well as Continental USA! Keep those orders coming!

MICHIGAN CHAPTER

Mary Pelto, Reporter

We are sorry to hear that PAT CLARK will be moving to Toronto, Ontario, Canada very soon. However, we're happy for them, too, since it's a big step up for her 49½er, FRAN.

MARG HATFIELD and JULIE AUERBACH took advantage of the beautiful weather on the last weekend in February and flew to Nashville, Tenn. to visit JULIE's mother. The best part of the trip was making practice radar surveillance approaches at Louisville on the way down and Fort Wayne on the homeward trip. Weather couldn't have been more ideal.

Our March meeting was attended by 60 people who took advantage of the rare VFR day to fly in to Grand Rapids. Our speaker was MR. PRICE,

an attorney, who spoke to us about UFO's.

Prospective 66s were introduced. They are WINNIE BLIKKEN, of Ypsilanti; BOBBY WAGNER, Grand Rapids; and MARIAN NEWMAN, of Kalamazoo. EVELYN BORST of Kalamazoo received her pin. And ELEANOR TITLOW was accepted as a new member.

MARILYN NEWMAN attended as a guest. She and her husband, a pilot, are with the Kenya-Africa Inland Mission. She is working for her Private pilot's rating. The NEWMANs plan to take a Cherokee Six back to Africa when they return.

JUDY ROGERS earned her Commercial rating in December, 1966.

And 49½er DOUG PRICE — that's BEV's husband, passed his Commercial while recuperating from an operation in January.

PEG SULFRIDGE's daughter, BECKY, is the 1967 Sweetheart of Sigma Chi from the Charter Chapter of Sigma Chi's at Albion College. Her grandfather roomed with the composers of the song "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi" and was the first singer to sing the song in private and public. He also dated the original sweetheart and they were called GUSSY and RUSSY. Life magazine is featuring an article soon on the ten annual Sweethearts. BECKY is also a candidate for National Sweetheart and was a candidate for Albion Snow Queen.

PEG is proud of the beautiful large colored photograph of the Blue Angels flying over Niagara Falls. She met them and sat at a banquet with them at the Michigan Aviation and Space Week Awards Banquet. All the Blue Angels autographed the photograph, making it a prized possession.

WISCONSIN CHAPTER

Ramona Huebner, Reporter

After an article "Model Airplanes—Tools or Toys" appeared in NAA magazine, the Wisconsin Chapter decided to use this subject for the March meeting at Fond du Lac. A high school boy spoke at the meeting and showed his model plane. He told of the value it had in learning about aerodynamics, engines, techniques of workmanship, as well as attaining the ability to fly the model. GREGG told us that many communities do not give the model flyers an adequate place in the community for flying, which cuts down on

the number of young people having a desire to use this tool for learning.

Since this educational activity in aviation was introduced to Ninety-Nines, one member has already contacted her High School. She found that if enough students are interested in model aircraft, an activity period will be provided next fall. Other members may make similar contacts as well as checking if help by pilots and Ninety-Nines is needed to assist such a group in finding a suitable place in the community to fly.

MARIE GRIMM, Chairman of Aerospace Education, reported on the schools in the state that have recently received their first subscription to National Aerospace Education Council through the Ninety-Nines. Also, one member is surveying possibilities of awarding solo scholarships in her High School in the near future. MARIE showed us an outline of a high school aviation course, for credit, recently started in the Clintonville high school. This is one of the first in the state. It's being taught by an enthusiastic male pilot and teacher.

We discussed the Ninety-Nines Photo-Contest, possibilities of a prize in Wisconsin, and reporting by members of TV weather broadcasts to assist with the AWTAR publicity.

Following the meeting a 49½er took our speaker to the airport to have his first hour of dual in a real airplane. Reports were that he did very well due to his knowledge of the controls and being familiar with the compass. We all hope he'll be back for more flight instruction due to his contact with the Ninety-Nines.



ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER

Georgia Tillery, Reporter

Another prospective 99 (eighteen years from now); congratulations to SHIRLEY and DR. BILL MORRIS on their new daughter!

Glad to have ISABEL HART back with us and hear she has passed her Commercial written.

Travelers this month include: LILY and SANDY SANDOVAL, RANDI and JOHN SUTHERLAND, and IRENE

and JOHN KAY who went to Marano, Ariz., to the Antique Air Show. JOY and BUD FEAK vacationed in Carlos Bay Mexico and visited the Mooney plant in Kerrville, Texas. MARGARET and GENE PEREZ enjoyed a trip to Las Vegas, Nev. ELIZABETH HAWES and JAN BISHOP seem to be the only women in this area who have had the privilege of taking the air force course for high altitude flying.

Wonder of all wonders is that we are still having beautiful flying weather while some of the surrounding states are blowing away!

ARKANSAS CHAPTER

Marge Nielsen, Reporter

We are looking forward to a Happy Fly In at Little Rock:

April 5th it the date . . .

Remember it 'ole flyin mate!!!

Keep in mind 10:00 a.m. is the time.

Adams Field with a special space!!!

Nothing but the best is planned for this place.

Say "(99)" when you call the tower.

Answer will give you the runway of the hour . . .

S stands for the spot, the place you must hit—if you take home a trophy that we bought for this.

Cars will take you to the "Top of The Rock".

Have a light breakfast so you can eat a lot . . .

Arriving there at 11:00 or so . . .

Pay \$2.50 and in you go—

Tall tales aplenty you will hear, Of

Engine failure, and landing without gear??

Roll 'em out girls, please plan to come, for a day that's full of challenge and fun.

Arkansas Chapter of 99s

DONNA, BETTYE,

MARY, NANCY, RUTH,

ALINE, MARGE, JANE,

SALLIE, EDITH,

DELORES, and EVA

Ed. Note — Couldn't resist the poetry even though the "Fly-In" will be over when you read this.

DONNA HALE has been flying search and rescue with CAP. BETTYE BOLLEN and 49½er flew to Aspen, Colorado for a week of skiing. DELORES MITCHELL and 49½er flew to Texas for the weekend to watch their horse finish the race among the winners.

Jonesboro is constructing a new 5600' runway parallel to runway 22-4. Walnut Ridge FSS will be moved to Jonesboro and a place will be built for them adjacent to the public terminal. The City of Jonesboro has set aside money to double the present public terminal.

MARGE NIELSEN has been doing mostly local flying this month with the exception of a flight to Eldorado.

DONNA HALE, BETTYE BOLLEN, and MARY DU KETT met with two prospective 99s at the Embers in Little Rock this month. Happiness is Flying!

COLORADO CHAPTER

Marion C. Tankersley, Reporter

Colorado Chapter's copy of the film "Stamp of Friendship" is available for rent to any chapter for \$7.50. Contact MARGE BLUE.

Wish to say welcome to our two newest members: MIRIUM HANNA and JOYCE STEVENS.

After PATTY LUTHER's several "go-rounds" with her Comanche insisting on a gear-up landing, she decided to switch light bulbs in the gear indicator, hoping it was just an out light. She now claims a new first — first female pilot to play "chase a peanut light around the floor of a Comanche while putting around the Stapleton Traffic Pattern." (She did get the gear down, by the way.)

Another 'fun' first and a profitable one, too: MARGE BLUE and CAROL TILFORD flew into Jeffco Airport the other morn and had the tower ask them to "Report to the tower, in person, immediately." Wondering just what they had done wrong, they complied with the request. Surprise!!! Since they were the first females to land since the new tower began operation, they received a brand new \$10.00 bill for their efforts.

Our Colorado Springs fly-in luncheon was limited to 13 of our 68 members. Not lack of interest here, but the gals who had aircraft based at the airports closer to the mountains had 50 to 60 knot winds, while those at Stapleton had only 7 to 10 knots. Amazing, eh?

PAULINE MEIGEN and co-hostess MARION HEIM had a fabulous luncheon at PAULINE's home, for the lucky 13 who did make it.

MARION TANKERSLEY went 'over the hill' to Granby same day and af-

ter some terrific wind over the pass, was amazed to find a dead sock at Granby. After a windy landing, taxied over to the wind sock to find it broken, and hanging in a permanent zero wind condition. Makes life interesting.

A peek into FREDDA TURRILL's log book reveals FREDDA co-piloting Ports of Call's DC-7 from Shreveport, Bahamas to Nassau. It's all signed off by the Captain of the bird, too.

JANIE OESCH was another very privileged co-pilot. She and MRS. ANN BURNS of Great Britain, departed the Black Forest Glider Port near Colorado Springs in a Schweitzer 232 to soar to over 31,000 ft., breaking the world record!!!!

JANIE and EULALIA NICHOLS took the "Psychological Training for High Altitude Flying" course at Lowry Air Force Base, Denver, recently. They'll never be able to find anyone who put their course to better use, will they, JANIE?

Our Chapter is eagerly anticipating ROSE SAUER receiving her pilot's license. She and her husband, GLENN, operate the Pikes Peak Airport near Colorado Springs, and have been ardent CAP workers for years. Now, ROSE, at age 59, is getting her license. Like the ad says, ROSE, "It's Fun To Fly."

JOYCE STEVENS is off on a flying trip to Phoenix, and DORIS LANGHER is spending the weekend of February 27th in Denmark. Gad! We haven't stopped her long enough to tell us about her last trip, yet.

RUTH MUGELE and 49½er ED, have abandoned Denver on a permanent weekend basis for their "Merrihaus" in Breckenridge and some fabulous skiing.

We are all looking forward to hearing MAJOR PAUL BRIAND ("Daughter of the Sky" Author) when he speaks at our March 30th showing of "Stamp of Friendship." He is as fascinating as his interest in AMELIA. Don't know how we "got so lucky" as to have him stationed at the Air Force Academy.

Colorado CAP's last Search and Rescue Mission for a Kansas Air Guard F-100 pilot found three of our gals flying the CAP's Cessna 182s over the Rockies during the search: JO DENNIS, JEAN FERRILL, and MARION TANKERSLEY. PATTY LUTHER is usually with us on mountain search, and we missed her this time.

DALLAS CHAPTER

Hazel H. McKendrick, Reporter

Whew! This deadline slipped up on me. I do believe time is going faster all the time.

Our February meeting was a dinner meeting at Southwest Airmotive at Love Field. We honestly intended to get a bit of business done, but you know the best laid plans etc. After dinner we visited the Braniff Simulators where CAPT. WILLARD HAYES and CAPT. ROY REUSS gave us a fantastic tour. They have three simulators, the Boeing 707, 727 and the BAC-111. We all got to take a ride and your Reporter now had 15 minutes of 727 time in a simulator as a co-joe. It was almost at the end of the time before I recognized any old friends on the instrument panel. It was quite a thrill and we are indebted to our Program Chairman, MARY KITCHENS, for setting it up for us. Incidentally, we had 29 members and three guests which made a great group . . . Our 49½ers are still pouting about not getting to go. Our guests were LINDA McKINZIE, MELINDA ALEXANDER, and RUBY ROGERS.

We have received our copy of the AMELIA EARHART film and it's available from our Chapter. For information, contact our leader, DOROTHY WARREN, Precision Flight Navigation, Addison Airport, and she will give you the data on it.

We also got the CBS-TV documentary "A Powder-Puff for Joan" and had it for one week. We had a showing at NANCY WISE's house, one at Love Field Tower Training Room, and another showing at MELINDA ALEXANDER's house. It's a pretty good film and worth seeing.

BETTY LOU HENRY was thru Dallas last week and we had coffee and lots of conversation about the upcoming PPD. She had visited with PAULINE GLASSON in Corpus Christi and PAULINE said remind everyone to send in their contributions to the 1968 AWTAR fund. So everyone get busy, and send that long green to PAULINE.

Word has it that NANCY WISE and her 49½er A. G. went to Omaha to pick up a new Cessna 411. How 'bout that!

ELINOR JOHNSON has her Instrument Ground School Instructor's rating.

Our leader, D. WARREN, flew co-pilot in a Learjet from Dallas to Wich-

ita last week. They then flow over to Kansas City so she could take an airliner home. Said it took longer to buy her ticket than to fly from Dallas to Kansas City via Wichita.

I goofed last month and left MARGE NIELSEN's name out as one of the stalwarts that went out and air marked Garland Airport. What makes it doubly bad is that she was my houseguest for the weekend and I don't know how I did that. Sorry ole buddy!!!!

CONVENTION TIME IS UPON US.
HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL IN TULSA
FOR THE BIG DOIN'S. Y'ALL
COME, HEAR!!!!

EL PASO CHAPTER

Mary Olmstead, Reporter

Chairman MARGARET THOMPSON reported that she and her husband, BILL, went by "Connie" on a weekend tour of Havasu Lake, Arizona — when BILL was on a newspaper assignment. For BILL it was work, for MARGARET it was fun and relaxation.

POLLY PEERCE, member of Willamette Valley Chapter, Oregon, was visiting in El Paso and attended our February meeting. POLLY received her flying instruction and her ASEL while a resident of El Paso.

RUTH DEERMAN was elected to represent our Chapter on the South Central Section Committee on Nominations.

ELLEN JANE ANDERSON, International Flying Farmer Queen, has been busy flying the Skyways from Denver to Hot Springs, Arkansas to Lexington, Kentucky. ELLEN JANE arranged a Flight Clinic for men and women at Stapleton Airfield, Denver earlier this month. Somewhere in her busy schedule, she managed to obtain her APT button.

LOIS CHISHOLM of South Dakota, wife of former IFF President, DAYTON CHISHOLM, also has a shiny new APT button. It was LOIS's article in "The Flying Farmer" that told about our own El Pasoan, RAYMOND TELLES. As our Ambassador to Costa Rico, he greeted the entire group of Flying Farmers on their second "Aerial Bridge of Friendship" tour to Central America last January. While they were in his office, a call from Washington confirmed his assignment to the new Commission on Social and Economic Development between Mex-

ico and the United States.

JEAN BYARS was all set with a rented 210 to fly three men to Phoenix. It all fell through when one of the men refused to fly with a female pilot. Whata guy! He needs some educating.

WANDA GARSON was grounded in January following surgery. Since then she moved into a brand new home and was hostess for our March meeting — a pot luck supper which included our 49½ers.

Your reporter was co-pilot on a March Saturday on a flight to the Grand Canyon to show visiting relatives from Long Island the beauties of that mile deep gorge, 4 to 18 miles wide.

No doubt we could have more news if our members (new ones included) would mail their flying news to their Reporter before the 13th of each month.

Ed. Note — Keep tryin', Mary!

HIGH SKY CHAPTER

Evelyn Hershey, Reporter

We have news . . . do we ever have news! We go from new planes to new plains. Talk about being on the VOR length, this month we are.

CHARLOTTE HUNTER is awaiting

How 'bout flyin' a RACE this year ? ? ? ?

the arrival of their new Beechcraft Travelair. That means a brand new Multi-Engine rating in the very near future.

JERRY BADGER, our ex-WASP prospective member, has received copies of her license, etc. that had been lost . . . and all she needs now is a current physical. This young woman is quite talented, from flying to four daughters and back to flying. As was mentioned in an earlier newsletter, JERRY is quite anxious to find some other ex-WASPs. At the time the WASPs were disbanded in 1944, the 99s invited these thousand plus flyers to join us . . . so . . . there should be some of them still in our ranks.

Ed. Note—See special inquiry letter from DON CHALIF.

MILDRED GOODSON has said that the cards and letters she received from the news printed about the loss

of her father were most gratifying to both her and W. T. But the news was in error, it was W. T.'s father, but the response received was appreciated and transferred.

NANCY BRUMLOW had her picture in the Wing Tips this past month for attending an Instructors School. She is really getting around, from teaching, charter, and FBO.

VELMA LEE COPELAND's father passed away in San Diego, California on February 2, 1967. VELMA has her Commercial now, and has taken the Flight Instructors written. She has changed jobs and apparently from talking to her on the phone, is in second heaven. That business phone is MU 2-8261, BUFORD & SAMS . . . when passing thru don't forget to holler.

We are sorry that JAN BRYANT has moved to El Paso, and know she will visit their Chapter . . . but we do not want to lose her! For the last two years JAN and BETTY HENRY have flown in the Powder Puff and we are all quite proud of them.

Our junior deb, PAT PETOSKY, is busy as the proverbial bee these days. Her main problem has been a pesky generator . . . that little ole red light just keeps coming on. Her trips are getting more enjoyable the more bad weather we have, or at least colder I should say. She is leaving the 1st of March for Florida . . . while good ole EVELYN HERSHEY is heading for Santa Fe, New Mexico.

We have several ladies in the process of getting their private tickets and much interest is being generated by them for the 99s. At the same time we are generating interest in them.

In reading this you would never guess it happened in two parts, but take my word for it . . . at our monthly Chapter meeting we had the most wonderful opportunity to view the movie about AMELIA EARHART. It was something to see. Thanks to each and everyone that had anything to do with bringing it about. And speaking of this film, I have a few questions that are important to the new ladies in flying. First, in everything we read it is taken for granted that everyone knows what the "First Day Cover" means . . . I didn't and thanks to this film I'm more interested in what was done and what happens now. My second question is more of a statement . . . to stay very young in looks,

just keep flying. AMELIA EARHART was born in 1898 and didn't look much over 21 on her fatal flight.

Since our meeting so many things are beginning to happen in our land of High Sky, the J.C.s are putting on a big aviation event and VELMA LEE is getting all the gals together for a race; we've got the place, the movie will be shown, and we all believe lots of good publicity will come of this . . . hope lots of it rubs off on BETTY HENRY and JAN BRYANT as they are heading "East to West" this year in the AWTAR.

Better stop for awhile so next month there will be something extra to talk about. See y'all . . .

HOUSTON CHAPTER

Martha Akins, Reporter

The March meeting was a joint meeting with Petticoat Pilots held in the party room of MARY ABLE's apartment. Our guest was TRUDIE COOPER, wife of astronaut GORDON COOPER. We are proud to report three new members—BETTY FRITZ, PAT DAVIES, and EDIE REED.

The Flying Farmers came to Houston recently and our Chapter furnished transportation to the Rice Hotel from Houston International. A job well done at the capable direction of MARY ABLE.

Air Marking Chairman MABLE EDITH OLIVER, announced our next air marking will be Brenham on March 18. She reported that we have enough air markings signed up that it will take two years to catch up at the rate of one a month. LOUISE BICKFORD, with MARY ABLE listening intently, suggested we speed up a little and do two each month—so two it is—We are having such nice turnouts for our air markings. Some of us will be able to air mark on a week day while the kids are in school and if we accomplish more painting during the week, we will be able to fly on week ends—makes sense don't you think?

Final plans are made for a smooth and we hope profitable Penny-a-Pound Ride all set for April 2 at Spaceland Airport near NASA. Posters and flyers are being put out along with other publicity. We are really pulling for this one especially since this is our first try at this.

The Houston Air Tour Club Fly-in to Rockport was well attended by our

99s—MARILYN STONEBERG, SALLY COX, MARTHA AKINS and family, and DELLE HIGHTOWER whose 49½er GENE is the new President. The Aransas County Airport, under new management the last six months, welcomed us and attended every need. The San Dollar Motel furnished free transportation in the form of two jeeps and a station wagon—the food was excellent—All of which made the most pleasant fly-in I have attended lately. We are all going back there.

MARY ABLE, MARY JANE NORRIS, and 49½ers report loads of fun flying the "Pilots Poker Run" sponsored by the South Louisiana Chapter. CAROL MOORE and 49½er went to Jamaica instead of Acapulco — my mistake. SANDRA KILLION, Santa Barbara Chapter, came to Houston for the stock show quarter horse sale and with LOUISE BICKFORD, explored the dome stadium and stock show.

May 7 will be the dedication of David Wayne Hooks Memorial Airport in memory of DAVID HOOKS who was killed in a plane crash two years ago, shortly before his sixteenth birthday. FRANK KINGSTON SMITH will be the main speaker. JIMMY DEME-

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RET will MC. The University of Texas Glee Club will sing. The Tomball Band will be there — and you know what else? — the Goodyear Blimp will be based at the airport from Friday until Monday. The HOOKS are inviting a well known 99 to make a short speech and present the film "The Stamp of Friendship" to the University of Texas. ERMA HOOKS has worked hard and long to bring a well known 99 here to honor women in aviation. The Houston Chapter will hostess — All 99s everywhere are invited to attend this dedication. The airport is now Houston Northwest on the charts. We are looking forward to greeting all of you on May 7. Do come!!!

KANSAS CHAPTER

Mildred Early, Reporter

Our Chapter celebrated its sixteenth anniversary with a dinner party in HELEN and REX LEE's beautiful, new home. Forty-one attended and a

beautiful "mystery" birthday cake was awarded to the one guessing what was hidden inside! ('Twas a compass). At this writing, several of our members are making plans to be in Topeka on the 18th for the presentation of a Charter to the new Topeka Chapter. More about this later.

Please encourage all of your Chapter members to attend the South Central Sectional in Tulsa on April 14, 15 and 16! The Kansas Chapter will award a beautiful, big trophy to the Chapter with the largest attendance! Some Chapters greatly outnumber others in membership; so, in order to be fair, the judging will be based on the number of members times the number of miles traveled, which will equal the total seat miles. This will be explained in detail at the Tulsa Sectional. This is a traveling trophy and will be engraved for the winning Chapters.

Our congratulations to GENE NORA JESSEN, who has received her Advanced Ground Instructor and Instrument Ground Instructor's Ratings! We regret to announce that GENE NORA and BOB will be leaving us the first of May. They are moving to Boise, Idaho and will operate a Beech dealership and flight school. Our very best wishes to each of them!

We have eleven girls eligible for membership and hope to have all the applications processed so that they may be introduced in the next Newsletter. ESTER and JOE BERKLEY and PAULINE and EDDIE OTTAWAY took the FF trip to Yucatan-Mexico and made all of us "homebodies" envious from their wonderful reports! MARILYN and JOHN COPELAND attended the AOPA Flight Instructor's Re-validation Course in Atlantic City recently and HELEN and REX LEE had a wonderful time in Hawaii!

Don't forget, the Kansas Chapter has beautiful flight bags and note stationery for sale! Check the back of your roster!

NEBRASKA CHAPTER

Lois B. Durham, Reporter

Nebraska weather did it again, and our February attendance slid to a new low! Lowering clouds and icy winds made flying impossible, and a 150 mile drive to Kearney in threatening weather just didn't appeal. However, CATHERINE and DR. MARSH, KATHERINE and E. O. WHITE, LEAH and BILL SNART, MARY ELSE, and FLORENCE BORING had

a swift but interesting meeting at the Holiday Inn.

The next meeting is scheduled for Columbus, Nebraska on 4 March at 10 a.m. The glider activities for most of eastern Nebraska are now centered there, and we hope to be briefed on gliding and perhaps get to try some.

Although we have not had the violent storms of the north and east, we have had typical winter weather, and as a result, flying activities have slowed. Could be that school activities, chicken-pox, etc. have helped. Out in Scottsbluff, PAULINE PERRY received her Commercial and then flew off on a holiday with friends — two Bonanzas to Mexico — JOY LANE was asked to be a judge at a photo contest in St. Louis — and PEG STROMER was helping her husband learn lines for his current theater production. PAULINE HAWKS of Bruning left for a month in California, and the WHITES returned from a winter vacation. JEANNE GIVEN is still raving about her three hours of ocean flying over Hawaii, and is also reading maps for her Mexican trip.

The Chapter gained another member, HELEN SELLETIN of Lincoln. The extra page in the membership directory is almost filled with our new additions, but there is always room for more. Come join with us.

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER **Marian Burke, Reporter**

I guess we had better talk about other things instead of flying. Gee, old man weather hasn't been treating us so well! Oh Well! Feb. is almost over and maybe March will be a better month . . . anyway the San Antonio Chapter hasn't been doing much flying. It's given us more time to discuss air races so maybe we will have a big group in the races this year.

NORMA, our Chapter Chairman, was planning to go to Hawaii but plans have changed . . . instead of her meeting husband MAC in Hawaii, husband MAC will be home for a short time in San Antonio. Isn't that great!

BETSEY and BILL HOGAN are spending lots of time at the new "hide-a-way" at the lake near Austin. They say it is their week-end plans for months and months!

MARIAN BURKE is planning to go to Germany for awhile. Maybe next Newsletter, we will have lots of news

to report and lots of good weather to fly.

The San Antonio Chapter is planning on a fly-in at Stinson Fld. in San Antonio in May. We don't have all the details yet but check the Newsletter and you will also be receiving info. through your Chapter Chairman as well as seeing a few colorful signs scattered around the local airports giving all the information. We sure hope everyone will plan to come. It's the same type of fly-in that we have been having at MARIAN BURKE's for the last three years.

No further news from the San Antonio Chapter . . . This Newsletter will find MARIAN BURKE in Iceland and all part of Europe so we can hear about the trip next Newsletter. Till then . . . safe flyin'!!

SHREVEPORT CHAPTER **Evelyn Snow, Reporter**

Three big cheers for JENNY McWILLIAMS, who got her Commercial License this month . . . we're proud of you, JENNY!

JERE SAUR flew 49½er, HENRY,

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to Texarkana on a business trip in FBO SHIRLEY SMITH's Cherokee. JERE says, "It's like a Cadillac after my little 140!" She took her books so she could study while HENRY conducted his business, but would you believe she spent the time hangar flying instead?

DOTTIE PORTS flew to Albuquerque and El Paso on Trans-Texas Airways with daughter, CONNIE . . . it was CONNIE's last trip as a stewardess with TTA and mother DOTTIE went along to observe, help fold blankets and seat belts, distribute pillows and magazines, etc. CONNIE was very appreciative of this, but we wonder what the pilot thought when they ran into bad weather at Albuquerque and DOTTIE helped him make his ILS!! . . . heh heh . . . DOTTIE also had a nice chat with past International President, RUTH DEERMAN, while in El Paso, so guess they survived those missed approaches!

HAZEL chaperoned her 49½er, MULE, when he attended a convention in New Orleans last week — we won-

der who chaperoned Hazel! . . . JUDY MOORE got her arm out of the cast just in time to help with our air marking plans . . . SARAH HENLEY has been drawing rectangles in the traffic pattern; but just when, we're not sure, 'cause she works all day and goes to school too! . . . HELEN WRAY completed her Instrument Ground School and is working up her courage to take the written exam.

Main topics of discussion at our last meeting were plans for air marking and the photo contest in which we plan to participate in conjunction with the South Louisiana Chapter. HELEN HEWITT, our Membership Chairman, presented each of us with a handmade directory of Shreveport Chapter members . . . the directory is daintily enclosed in blue paper with a 99 Compass Rose on the cover . . . much work and thoughtfulness on HELEN's part! We all will enjoy and use them.

PEGGY SUE HARRIS (our little mother-to-be), when asked for news to contribute to our column this month, thought for several moments and then said triumphantly, "Oh, yes . . . the baby wiggled!!"

SOUTH LOUISIANA CHAPTER

One would think that we'd have nothing more than our Pilots Poker Run to report this month, since that is what took up the time, thoughts, and efforts of most of our members between our Jan. 29th meeting and our Feb. 26th Poker Run, but that thinking is in error. Our members are on the move! But first . . .

About the Poker Run, though, let us say first of all, that our special gratitude is offered to the girls in the towns where our stops were designated for the marvelous job they did of promotion, publicity, and operation. We decided to stage the event at our Jan. 29th meeting, and by the next weekend, posters were already being distributed (27 of them) and newspaper articles appeared in the papers. In short, we made the most of the little time we had — and with overwhelming results. We had estimated that if we had 25 airplanes and 100 people, our Pilots Poker Run would be a success. Just take a look at our actual figures in the write-up in Air Meets. It was fabulous and we were delighted. We made the announcement at the awarding of the trophies that this was our First Annual Pilots Poker Run; the second will be May, 1968,



Double-checking the final results of winners at the Pilots Poker Run, (left to right) seated, PAT WARD, "JIM" LAFLEUR, PAT CHRIST, standing, GLORIA HOLMES.

same route, with the terminus in Houma. Hope more of you will enter. We were delighted to see JANET GREEN, ESTHER HALL, LUCY WOLFE, EMILY KELLY, and PEGGY McCORMICK from the Mississippi Chapter, and MARY ABLE and MARY JANE NORRIS from the Houston Chapter there. And especially happy that MARY JANE won the trophy for Lowest Time Commercial Pilot and that EMILY's son, RICKY, won a trophy for Youngest Pilot. A student pilot, SUSAN LONG from Natchez, was also there. We gained a new prospective 66, JO ANN HENDERSON of Baton Rouge, and LINDA WARD (sister-in-law of PAT WARD and GLORIA HOLMES) of Patterson, La.

The success of the Poker Run must be attributed to the FBO's who donated the trophies. Without them, we are sure that our Poker Run would not have attracted such a large number of people: Hair Flying Service, BTR, La. Aircraft, BTR, The Aircraft Co., BTR, Houma Aviation Services, Pelican Aviation (New Iberia), Paul Fournet Air Service (LFT), Opelousas Flying Service, and Diesi Pontiac-Cadillac-Buick Co. of Opelousas. And, of course, the businesses who volunteered to donate door prizes.

Now, there really is other news about our members. Most of the Baton Rouge girls attended a meeting of the newly formed B. R. Aircraft Pilots Association on February 28th and will enjoy membership in this local organization. Baton Rouge is having a terrible hassle over our airports — "civic-minded citizens" trying to have Downtown closed to build an auditorium on it and trying to block the building of a jet runway at Ryan, which will launch the BRAPA into importance immediately so that the pilots who use the airports can have a voice. On March 15th, an Omni Clinic was held in BTR and our Chapter was well represented at this 3-hr. film lecture session conducted by MR. PAT MURPHY. Enrolling in the new Instrument Ground School in BTR is PAT WARD, who has long talked about getting the rating. FOY WEST is studying for it on her own, coached by 49½er PHIL, who already has his.

Our March 19th meeting will be held in BTR, luncheon at Fairview Plantation near St. Francisville, with all the southern plantation atmosphere that the name implies. We've invited the FBO's who donated trophies to the Poker Run to be our guests. We have lots of hangar-flying to catch up on

and several important items of business, old and new, that must be taken care of.

Our Chapter, as well as the Shreveport Chapter, has put articles in the newspapers (AP and UPI) about the Photo Contest. To date, we have had no inquiries from prospective entrants. Professional and nonprofessional photographers we have approached about it, seem to think that it would be too costly to be a winner. (?)

DEE COMEAUX and PATSY JONES are hard at work trying to find a sponsor for the IAR. JACK LAWS, The Aircraft Co., has offered them an Aero Commander 200 for the race, but they have to provide their own sponsor. And since our town, BTR, is so far behind the times in aviation-minded citizens, that's no small chore. This is why our Chapter is so important to an area such as this. Too many of our citizens in this area are unaware that a 15 year old kid, male or female, can learn to fly an airplane, and even if they know this they don't believe that women actually do. Our newspaper doesn't even know what to do with us. The News Department thinks we are a social organization and Society thinks we are more News than Society — therefore, neither of them gives us the space we deserve. Which brings us back to the Poker Run . . .

There has never been a flying event in this area designed for "fun flying" for all pilots at all stages of flying proficiency. The response our event had was indicative of the enthusiasm our pilots have for flying, and the name of the Ninety-Nines was spread in every circle. The "best poker hand" became the lesser of the attractions in favor of the possibility of winning another trophy that would attest to one's flying ability or stage of flying proficiency. And the 99s made this possible. We gained untold prestige among the flying community, because we took the initiative and did something. People who don't fly are beginning to realize that other people do and enjoy it, and that pilots want to fly whether they are paid for it or not and that maybe flying isn't so expensive and forbidding after all. Aviation became, for the ignorant, something more than a picture of a shiny multi-ton jet in their child's school book or an airliner than crashed in

New York killing all aboard. We've shown them that it can be something personal to the average person, and thus we feel that we have done something to further aviation right in our own back yards. And, more, we have given women in aviation a boost, and made people more aware of us. Our area needed this terribly, and we are elated that the 99s were able to give them a "first." We hope there will be other events (so we can participate) by other groups; we hope we've "started something." Opening entries to non-pilots was not by accident. The purpose we hoped to serve was to introduce flying to people who don't fly, to show them that flying is fun, and to interest some of them in joining us. And we did it. Our members who operated the stops lent dignity and fashion to aviation and enhanced the image of the 99s. Our favorite comment by one of the entrants was "you girls really have something, don't you? You're on the ball!" with a tone that indicated total surprise. (End of sermon)

Our "ball" is gathering speed. We're limited only by our imaginations, and the sky isn't even the limit when you consolidate the imaginations of 19 active women who enjoy getting together on a mutual interest. Our 49½ers are put to task keeping up with us. PAT WARD's 49½er's standard question after a meeting is, "Now what?" He knows there's always something, always bigger or better than the last. Incidentally, some of our 49½ers worked as hard as we did on the Poker Run: BILL COMEAUX and his son WAYNE who operated the Timer's station in Opelousas with C-B radios, PHIL WEST who helped out in New Iberia, ROGER WARD who flew back and forth between BTR and Opelousas transporting the 99s who were working the stops, C. J. CHRIST who donated a trophy and helped his 99 in Houma, as did LANKY SMITH who drove his 99, GINNY, to Houma from New Orleans, DOC LAFLEUR who donated a trophy and helped tremendously with the terminus in Opelousas. Should they display such faithful devotion for 10 consecutive years, we might even consider giving them a promotion! or a star on their foreheads! Seriously, we love 'em.

Congratulations are in order to JENNY McWILLIAMS, SHV Chapter, on obtaining her Commercial license!

TIP OF TEXAS CHAPTER

Elaine Needham, Reporter

Hello all you flying gals!

Some of us have been burning up the skyways with travel lately: ELAINE NEEDHAM airlined to Chicago late in December, LOUISE CLARKSON visited exotic Hawaii, VEDA TENANT was in Colorado Springs, and PAT McNEIL had a visit in California and is now preparing for a big chartered flight to Las Vegas.

PAULINE GLASSON recently made arrangements with the NASA tracking station to show the magnificent film of Gemini 12 in full color. The full-house audience sat spellbound through thirty minutes of filming of actual on-board activities of the astronauts, shots through the porthole of the earth, and of the historic space walk and finally the re-entry and recovery of the astronauts in their space capsule.

MARIAN BURKE, San Antonio, and IRENE YOUNG (prospective new member), Harlingen spent a gabby

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evening with PAULINE GLASSON recently.

We spent several hours at our latest meeting stuffing, sealing and stamping envelopes to be sent to the entire membership. Ways and Means is trying hard to get support from all of you for the 1968 AWTAR, so if you've received your letter, please read carefully and then ACT!

Bad weather prevented ARDATH McCREERY from flying in to our March 4 meeting. IRENE YOUNG and TIBBIE ADAMS drove from Harlingen for the meeting to help with the Ways and Means activities. There were approximately fifteen of us. Before we started with the piles of envelopes and stuffings, we were treated to a helicopter ride by REX FENNEL, Tide Helicopter Co. REX loves to accompany his very nice singing with guitar while sitting on his beloved whirlybird.

We are very happy to have found BARBARA WILLIAMS, former Texas Ninety Nine, now living right here in Corpus Christi. We hope BARBARA will be adding to our membership . . . need all the girls.

MERLE DUNNAM and VERDA TEN-

NENT are presently scouting the countryside for rooftops for air markers. These two scouts make the arrangements and then the air marking crew comes in with paint buckets a short time later.

TOP OF TEXAS CHAPTER

Carmen Lewis, Acting Reporter

Reactivation, enthusiasm, and good fellowship were the keynotes of the 31 strong who attended the March meeting as we were luncheon guests of the Amarillo Press Club. MARION SUMNER and JUDITH KERR of the Amarillo Daily News and FRANCES GRAHAM and GEORGIE WAGNER, members of the Executive Board of the Women's Division of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce, were responsible for the invitation.

ARLENE WALKUP of Stillwater, Oklahoma, Governor of the So. Central Section; NEMA MASONHALL of Minco, Oklahoma, Section Secretary; and CAROL WADDELL, Woodward, Oklahoma, Chairman of the Ninety-Nine's Chapter there, were visiting Ninety-Nine officers. ED MIHM, Women's Editor for the Borger News-Herald, was also a special guest.

Seventeen prospective and soon-to-be prospective guests also attended the luncheon; HAZEL WHITTINGTON of Borger; BILLIE FAYE HAM, CAROL WEINHEIMER, PAULINE RAINWATER, EDITH FLETCHER, CAROLYN LUSE, ELAINE CHASTAIN, and MARIE MOORE all of Amarillo; POLLY SORELLE, VANNIE BEAUCHAMP, HELEN BEAUCHAMP, HELEN CAUDLE, and WANDA LEWIS, all of Dumas; PAT POWELL of Dalhart; HELEN BUCKLES of Stratford; JEAN EAKER of Hale Center; and HOPE GLENN from Lockney.

ANN MENTZER of Precision Flyers at Tradewinds, who is currently transferring her membership to this Chapter, Chairman MARGE MITCHELL of Plainview, Sec'y - Treas. BILLIE HOLMES of Borger, Reporter PAT JONES of Kress, and member CARMEN LEWIS of Borger were also in attendance!!!

Powder Puff Stop Chairman ANN MENTZER and the representatives of the Women's Division of the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce assured the group that plans were already being made to make Amarillo, Texas, THE stop for the Race. Our Chapter will have an entry again this year —

MARGE MITCHELL of Plainview. MARGE is no new-comer to the Derby.

ARLENE welcomed our many guests, pointing out the purposes of the Ninety-Nines. She issued an invitation to attend the meeting of the South Central Section April 14-16 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. CAROL WADDELL talked to the group concerning the need for Annual Proficiency Tests. NEMA MASONHALL told about the sale of plates—these read—"I'd Rather Be Flying."

BILLIE HOLMES has offered her (THE DR.'s, KEVIN's, CYNTHIA's, LINDSAY's, and BOBBY's) heated pool as the meeting place for April 1st. We'll swim while meeting and then dive into our packed sack lunches.

Next month, news about our Chapter plans, present 99 members, and their activities in flying.

TULSA CHAPTER

Jean Engler, Reporter

Dang me! Every time I get smart alecky it backfires. So, I'll apologize to ANNAHLEE and JIMMY K. JONES for getting onery. I am very happy to report that they are both doing fine although they lost their Aero Commander in San Antonio. JIMMY is going up this weekend to fly back a new Twin Comanche.

We are bustling around like army ants getting our welcome mat demothed and perfumed for our Spring meeting. Thanks to SOL SMITH, we have our first mailing ready, so you gals out there read every word and plan to put us on your visiting list. We have reserved good weather for the entire weekend.

I've been a little lax in rounding up news, so if I have missed reporting anything vital—Solly—maybe next month things will be a little more interesting. See you.

Note to the Printer—What is home cooling? I will try this again. JUDY HELLMAN came home for some home cooking—Yum Yum.

Everything is running so smoothly for us we should begin to worry. By the time this reaches print our convention will be long gone and we hope successfully. This is a big deal for us so don't anyone muse over what might have been because we did it.

BETTY PLUMMER took us in for our meeting this month. NANCY CAIN drove in from Pryor and was greeted with snow on her return home. I'm

sure she made it ok. The others attending were COLLEEN WHITE, LYDIA GUTIERREZ, SHIRLEY GREENBERG, DOROTHY JOHNSON, LOIS MARTIN, MARY SHADDOCK, MARY STURGIS, LEA BAKER, JAN MAURITSON, LOIS BOOTS, and me.

We are looking forward to riding herd on the Powder Puff RON's too. Riverside Airport has been resurfaced from here to there and is just a skip and a jump to the Camelot.

I only have one broken bone to report this month. DOROTHY JOHNSON has her finger in a sling and it smarts a little. If I have missed any unreported ailments—solly. Well, that's about all I can come up with at the moment.



ALASKA CHAPTER

Kathryn W. Wayer, Reporter

Spring is just around the corner for which this reporter is thankful—long, beautiful, light, and sunny days for flying are coming up. It seems that so many of our pilots have taken to the ski slopes instead of to the air that I am left high and dry for news.

However, RUTH HURST and RUTH O'BUCK have been faithful in attending Aviation Committee Meetings with the Federal Aviation Agency in the interest of civilian pilots.

MARIE RICHARDSON, a 99 member from Australia, has written that she will be here to attend our Aviation Pioneer's Banquet on June 24. She will be enroute to the 1967 International Convention in Washington, D.C. MARIE is an immediate past President of Sidney Sorooptimist Club. We are busy making plans for the banquet.

The Sectional Meeting in September is also in the planning stage.

Our March meeting was held at the home of MARION ZAEGEL. She has a most attractive and unusual home located on the shore of Sand Lake.

Hope to have a longer newsletter next time—until then—happy flying!

EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER

Mary Kilbourne, Reporter

Our March meeting was a special one for us. MRS. LESTER POTTER (ILOVENE), governor of Northwest Section flew in to Pocatello to have lunch and meet the members of Eastern Idaho Chapter. She brought with her the film strip covering the CBS Television show on the Powder Puff Derby of 1966 which was shown to the members.

Lunch and meeting were held at the home of MARY KILBOURNE, who is Vice-Governor of the Northwest Section. Attending were: FRANCES CUNNINGTON, PAT DUKICH, and MARCIA SPAKOSKI from Idaho Falls, DIANE JEX and LEORA BERGEVIN from Blackfoot, VIRGINIA FINKELSBURG, ARLENE BAILEY, and MARY KILBOURNE from Pocatello. Guests were MRS. JACK Christenheron and daughter, JANA, and ELAINE (MRS. CLARK) PARTRIDGE, also from Pocatello. MRS. CHRISTOPHERSON'S husband is the manager of Simplat Airways and ELAINE will be joining our Chapter soon. She just recently received her pilots's license.

Besides viewing the film, our Section Race was also discussed. The terminus of this race will be Pocatello—dates are set for August 28 and 29.

ILOVENE stayed overnight with the KILBOURNES and departed early the next morning.

MONTANA CHAPTER

Bev. Ledbetter, Reporter

Much of the flying in Montana this month has been "hanger flying" because of poor visibility due to that falling white stuff, inches of it all over the state.

The weekend of our Lewistown meeting was good for some reason and a group of almost 30 members attended. More information was read concerning the planned Section Air Race and it was voted to postpone our annual state race and support the Section Race. Members also voted to support the Photo Contest sponsored by the 99s and hope that some of our members will enter the contest and one will submit the winning picture for the state.

The April meeting will be in Billings.

BIG SKY FLYING

Anyone interested in a lazy fulfilled vacation to Mexico can contact ELEANOR BAILEY for all the infor-

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mation. She and BILL spent three sun filled weeks just sitting in the sun and soaking in the warm water of the bay in a small fishing village 130 miles north of Acapulco. They rented a small house and went "native" for their lazy restful vacation. Two days were spent in Acapulco and two in Mexico City. They visited friends on their way home over Texas and in spite of there being 4 pilots in one Comanche all went well. You can guess where the two women pilots were seated.

PEARL MAGILL, Glasgow, and CAROL RAYBURN, Missoula, will be the first women Instructors to attend the Flight Instructor Refresher Course held for the fifth straight year within the state. The program is sponsored by the Mont. Aero. Comm. and the Mont. Aviation Trades Assoc. Twenty-four general aviation Flight Instructors have been selected to attend the seminar. CAROL, who is a member of South Dakota Chapter, is employed as an Instructor for JOY and BOB LUECK at Missoula Skyflight. She was one of the three Amelia Earhart Scholarship winners in 1965. PEARL was an AE Sectional winter last year and is also a winner again this year.

LAULETTE HANSEN, N. W. Section Treasurer and past State Chapter chairman was recently honored by the Havre Business and Professional Women as Woman of the Year. LAULETTE is Director of Hill and Liberty Counties Dept. of Public Welfare. She is a member of the Montana Pilots Assoc. and was elected Queen of the Mont. Flying Farmers in 1965.

The Montana Pilots State Convention will be held in Havre May 5th, 6th, and 7th. Members LAULETTE, SHAREL, and BEVERLY are busy with plans for entertaining the ladies. A Saturday morning Brunch and Hair Style Show is planned, plus an afternoon "fun bowling party." An evening of dancing to the music of The Elmers, a popular orchestra from Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada will conclude the day's activities. Many 99 members are also MPA members so we hope to see you all in Have.

PUGET SOUND CHAPTER

Betty Curran, Reporter

Inasmuch as our regular Reporter, JEAN REEVES, was unable to attend our last meeting, I am substituting for JEAN, who has been doing a remarkable job for us in getting out the Newsletter. Our beautiful North-

west weather has started to improve again and many of us are out flying around these lovely spring days. MARGARET AMES and her husband just returned from Mexico. They spent a period of almost ten weeks in the lovely Mazatlan area. MARGARET says that this was one of the finest and greatest vacations they had ever had and she recommends that everyone go to Mexico at least once in his lifetime. MARGARET was our entertainment at our last meeting and she kept us all wide eyed and drooling with their many experiences in the Southland. She and PERCY even managed to eat most of the food that was served in the restaurants and though PERCY was ill once, MARGARET survived the whole trip with no difficulties at all. She told us that they washed all of their vegetables in Clorox water. This was something new to me (and to most of us) and seemed like a very untasteful thing to do, but MARGARET says you can't taste the Clorox. She said this was what kept her from getting ill.

BETTY VANBUSKIRK spent a week in Los Angeles, traveling by commer-

How 'bout flyin' a RACE this year ? ? ?

cial airline. She says that the weather down there was beautiful and warm the whole week she was there and it was hard for her to leave the "Sunny South" to come home to our much cooler weather in the Northwest. Your reporter met BETTY at Sea-Tac on her return and brought her home from Sea-Tac to Paine Field. BETTY'S aunt, who accompanied her to Los Angeles had her first ride in a small aircraft on this day and she felt that this was the only way to travel.

MARSH DEXTER is busy every day at Willard's Flying Service and getting in as much flying as she has time. She is currently working on her Commercial rating and hopes to accomplish this in the not too distant future.

JEAN REEVES is flying on her days off if the weather is good and we hope that JEAN will soon be a full-fledged pilot.

MILDRED PEARSON is one of the most enthusiastic pilots in our group and she simply loves going up in her little airplane, flying around, and look-

ing at the area. She might go up one or two times a week just to enjoy flying. To me this is a real pilot.

NITA MATHESON has been busy with her own private affairs and things are getting worked out for her. We expect to see her back into action and flying again very soon.

We have a new member in our Chapter, JUNE COFFMAN, who will be on the regular roles as a Ninety-Nine very soon. Her application was approved and it has been sent to the International Office.

Three of the Northwest chapters will be getting together this month to view the Powder Puff Derby TV commentary and we are all looking forward with enthusiasm to seeing this film.

Our group has unanimously elected to do everything we can to encourage the TV weather people to broadcast the news of the Powder Puff Derby Race and BETTY VANBUSKIRK has been elected to assist the international group in this regard. Our group is small, but our members are all enthusiastic flyers and interested in doing everything they can to promote flying for women.

SOUTHERN OREGON CHAPTER

Hope McKay, Reporter

"Ceiling Zero" — "Ceiling Zero"— famous last words for Southern Oregon Chapter of 99s. In the last two years, we have been able to fly to only three meetings. Pick any given meeting date of any given month and you will find seven loyal members speeding along the freeway to attend a meeting.

We met twice during the month of January, our regular meeting on the 2nd Monday (a luncheon meeting in Grants Pass) and a joint meeting with the Medford Zontas. Their Librarian gave a very stimulating book review on "The Last Flight of Amelia Earhart."

Our travelers, GLADYS BURRILL and 49½'er, are spending February in Mexico, November in San Francisco, December in Disneyland. JERRIE PARKER and her family spent their vacation in December at Furnace Creek. Our charming Chairman, ROSE ELLISON and 49½'er are in Mesa, Arizona enjoying the sunshine.

Welcome back, JEAN SHAW and BENA MILLER! We missed you.

I do hope by the next Newsletter, yours truly will feel more like a Reporter.

WESTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER

Rivka A. Pratt, Reporter

For a change I have quite a lot of news items. Our February meeting was a dinner meeting at the Renton Inn the evening of the 20th and was well attended by 99s and guests. JEAN CARBON, Eastern Washington Chapter; DORIS DENNISON, now of Vancouver, British Columbia; and HELEN DEWEY, Eastern Washington Chapter were special guests of our Governor, ILOVENE POTTER.

On February 17, JOYCE HARDING attended the Civil Air Patrol Award banquet and accepted a Certificate of Appreciation for the 99s Outstanding Assistance to the Civil Air Patrol. Our entire Chapter was invited but the invitations were incorrectly mailed so none of us received them—when JOYCE called them to say she wouldn't be able to attend they pleaded "But you'll have to!" so she very quickly made arrangements and went.

MARIAN OWEN is attending Instrument School and reports she is finding it most interesting.

VAN ADDERSON, and her 49½er spent 10 days in Hawaii. VAN came to the meeting looking like a million and a half wearing lei and marvelous Hawaiian print. They did no flying while there — GORDON fished, and VAN relaxed and built a tan.

GAIL BREES is planning to work on her Commercial rating, now that their house on Blakely Island is finished. They are waiting for good weather so they can fly-in weekends. Blakely Island is in the San Juans and can only be reached by boat or air-taxi strips from runway to most houses.

PAT McGEE has been flying some land developers over their property on Camano and Whidby Islands.

ILOVENE POTTER reported that all the chapters she has contacted are very much in favor of a Northwest Section Air Race of the fun type. The Northwest Oregon Chapter has offered to be the hosting chapter for the "Start" on the Western side of the Section; ILOVENE hoped that either South Dakota or Wyoming would see their way clear to host the East "Start" in order that these girls could be a part of the race (which would terminate in Pocatello, Idaho) and mean that the entire section would be represented. It is tentatively planned for August and we will have more definite information at a later date.

JAY LAWRENCE hasn't done much flying lately due to "Inclement weather" and the unusual experience of



Chairman GINNY ANDREWS, left, and "sales manager" DOTTIE DAUB showed our Ninety-Nines tumblers to TOM GREGORY, charter pilot for Galvin's Flying Service at Boeing Field. JIM GALVIN, owner-operator of the flying service, has given his permission for the Chapter to have a card with glass attached in his display case. Ninety-Nines around the country are able to order the glasses in sets of 8 for \$6.00 simply by dropping a line to DOTTIE DAUB. Proceeds go to the AWTAR and to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund.

"marrying off" a Chinese daughter. Her ex-foreign student son had a bride arrive from Taiwan just before Christmas, and the bride-to-be stayed with the LAWRENCES (as did the groom!) for five weeks until the wedding. JAY and her 49½er had the most interesting experience of being the parents of a bride (they have one son only) and of learning to eat real Chinese food with chopsticks at the same time.

Two of our new members, KAY STEARNS and LUELLA BURROWS flew down to Baja, California for a little sun.

BETH and BARRY OLIVER spent a week at Eleuthia, Bahama Islands and report they had lots of fun and sun. BETH managed to get in a couple of talks on "Careers in Aviation."

Girls -- DOTTIE DAUB still has 99 Glasses to sell — size: 9 or.—price \$6.00 for a set of 8.

Our meeting was set ahead one week to March 13th in order that we might see the documentary film of the 1966 POWDER PUFF DERBY which was shown at a social meeting at the Renton Inn. Many of the FAA people were in attendance and many

laughs were had over the "weather briefing" on those memorable days of the Start. Funny now — but then, ohhh! my! We do want to thank ILOVENE'S 49½er for showing us the film.

MARION OWEN reported that she has finished her Instrument Ground School training.

TERRY KELLOGG and her 49½er DAVE have just returned from a trip to Mexico City and Acapulco and reported a wonderful time.

No positive facts, but MARTI SPALDING reports that beside trying to get over her European vacation, she is working very hard on her (verbal) sponsors for the Powder Puff Derby 1967. PAT McGEE has been assisting her and she has all her time in for her commercial rating; she now has to get in some experience.

CAROLE TALICH brought a prospective member — brand new Private PILOT VIRGINIA STEFANIACK and her husband JIM (another new Private pilot) to our social meeting.

On April 20th (approximately) BOEING TOWER will acquire a new frequency for the tower. It will be in addition to the present 118.3 and will be used to ease the frequency congestion. Check with Boeing Tower for information later on. At the present time we do not know what the frequency will be.

On Saturday, March 18, VAN ADERSON is meeting with MRS. MAJESKI'S Wing Scout Troop. They will be at Renton Aviation and the Airport Manager is going to give the girls help on the model of the airport they are planning to build. They will also view several films on aviation.

WILLAMETTE VALLEY CHAPTER

Jane Capizzi, Reporter

Our last meeting was held on a beautiful day, so nearly all the girls flew into the Springfield Airport. From there, we drove to a local restaurant where arrangements had been made by KAY WOJCIK. LOU WICKS conducted the meeting because our flighty president BONNIE BRADFORD was sunning herself in Mexico.

JAN AMUNDSON reported a business trip with her husband to Phoenix, Arizona by way of Vancouver, B. C., in their Cessna. JAN and LOU WICKS are planning a Right Seat—Girl Friday Co-Pilot's course. This will have five classes including work on navigation, radio, and instruments, plus an airplane ride.

BETTY CARPENTER has a new job

with the Central Lane Planning Council which doesn't include traveling.

VIOLA WALKUP looked tan from her trip to Guaymas, Mexico. They flew their comanche down by way of Reno and Tucson.

BETTY GROVES and her 49½er went to Bend this month with OPA President HOWARD ROUNDTREE and wife, PAT, to charter a new chapter in OPA with 38 charter members.

ROSETTA VENELL and I took temporarily, to get some sun.

ROSETTA VENAELL and I took CAPT. NANCY RICHARDS, commandant of CAP Cades and information officer, to the meeting to explain the Aero-Space Workshop which is being organized for late summer through the CAP, Air Force, and county school systems. Our Chapter will help fly some of the teachers that would like rides following the lectures and tours.

JAN AMUNDSON unpacked her emergency and/or survival kits to show us the enormous amount of practical supplies that can and should be carried in one's plane. I don't know whether she was able to get it all repacked or not.

As a finale to the meeting, our quiet, very feminine ROSE MARIE STOL-

How 'bout flyin' a RACE

this year ? ? ? ?

SIG told us about her version of the "Perils of Pauline." Seems that the brand new Mooney she ferried back from Kerrville, Texas had a stiff gear lever that gave her trouble at nearly every stop, along with one or two of the tower operators. ROSETTA and I agreed that we would have exchanged planes with our husbands after the first mishap!

WYOMING CHAPTER

Dorothy Misner, Reporter

Wyoming Ninety-Nines met at the home of MARIE ENGELMAN, Worland, for the February meeting on Saturday, February 11th. MAEEL ANESI, Chairman, flew in from Lander, stopping at Thermopolis to pick up VIRGILEA SWORTS and her two year old daughter, VALENTINE. BETTY ADAMS, NIKI WEAVER, and DOROTHY MISNER were also in attendance.

Congratulations are in order for NIKI, who recently obtained her commercial license and is also one of the three nominees for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship from the Northwest



Would you say this Wyoming Ninety-Nine is happy? MRS. DALE (NIKI) WEAVER, Worland, Wyoming, just after passing her Commercial flight check. NIKI is also one of three nominees from the Northwest Section for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship. (Photo by Daily News).

Section. We are most proud of our NIKI. (picture elsewhere) DOROTHY MISNER checked out in her Cessna 195.

Among some of the highlights of the meeting were a letter from ILOVENE POTTER, Northwest Section Governor, informing us of a contemplated air race within the section for sometime in 1967. Sounds like fun.

Also, we are unanimous in wanting to help South Dakota with the Northwest Sectional Meeting in 1969. We were more than elated to be able to send a donation to the AWTAR for 1967 and hope that several of our members will be able to attend the National meeting at Washington in June. At least we have good intentions of trying to be participating Ninety-Nines.

BETTY ADAMS, always eager to learn, quizzed the group with problems for the flight computer. Always fun to review and keep up on the use of the computer.

Hope to see all of our Wyoming Ninety - Nines at our next meeting scheduled for Saturday, March 11th at Powell.

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