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## President's Column

All of the members of the Ninety Nine Executive Board met at my home for the Spring Board Meeting. Fortunately the weather was beautiful. The last time we had the meeting in PHX, it rained all the time they were here. So the sunshine was a welcome addition to the meet.

Members of the board represent five different sections . . . New York-New Jersey, Southeast, South Central, Northwest and Southwest, and it seems most of the country is covered with snow or rain. How nice to meet in the Valley of the Sun!

The Southwest Section meeting was held at the end of the board meeting and for the first time (at least that I can remember) all the board members

## AIR MEETS

Get ready for the SKY LADY DERBY, starting and ending at Fort Worth, Texas, June 23rd.

Impound Date: Thursday, June 22nd Race Day: Friday, June 23rd Banquet: Saturday, June 24th Contact DOROTHY HAUPT, 4153 West 157th Street, Cleveland, Ohio, or KIT HEACOCK, 600 Ostle, Collinsville, Illinois.

### PYLON RACE

The first appearance of the National Woman's Pylon Racing Association will be during the "Texas First" Pylon Air Races, May 12, 13, and 14. The races will be held at Luck Field just south of Ft. Worth.

The newly formed and NAA affiliate organization has a roster of 13 members at present. All except one are 99s. Their next appearance is scheduled for Chicago, July 1, 2, 3, and 4. Then they will fly at the Washington, DC meet, August 4, 5, and 6; Cleveland Sept. 1, 2, 3, and 4; and Los Angeles, Oct. 13, 14 and 15.

The 1967 Roster includes MRS.
JUDY WAGNER, Press.; MRS. EDNA
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ETHERIDGE, JILL McCORMICK,
MRS. HAZEL SIGAFOOSE, DR.
SUE ROSCOE, MRS. GINI RICHARDSON, and CHERYL BARRETT.

were at the same section meeting.

The Phoenix chapter entertained the board with a Pot luck supper at the home of Mary Vial. Edith Denny, Governor of the Canadian Section, was in the Valley for a visit and attended. So nice to see her. She tells us the Canadian Section is really growing and we are pleased to have them active again.

The Phoenix Chapter was really excited when their advance reservations exceeded 200. That is almost like a convention!

By the time you read this there will be another chapter added to our rolls. The Mt. Diablo Chapter (in the Sacramento area) received their chapter on May 6th.

Three of the Board Members came to PHX directly from Tulsa, where the South Central Section held their meeting.

I am sure you will have all your convention plans made by the time you receive this. Don't froget to mark your ballots and mail them in. We will be trying a new method of counting this year which will prove most interesting. Instead of having the Teller's Committee work from twelve to twenty four hours counting each ballot we will be computerized! Our count will be run through an IBM Computer in a matter of only a few hours. Be sure you vote . . . give that machine a big job to handle.

Don't forget your contributions to the AE Scholarship Fund, and AWTAR, Inc. I still think it would be a record to be able to name all the contributions at convention.

I would like to thank all the Governors and Committee Chairmen, who sent informal progress reports to the Board Meeting. It makes it so nice to know the committees are working and getting things done.

Am looking forward to Washington, D. C. and the Convention. To meeting the Overseas members who are planning to attend. Will YOU be there?

As of April 1, we had 2947 members. Let's make it 3000 by convention time. As of May 6th, we have 98 Chapters . . . who will be 99?

Happy flying . . . .

ALICE ROBERTS

## Coast Guard To Beam Message From Mid-Pacific In Memory Of Amelia Earhart

By Lt. James R. Ward

WASHINGTON, D. C. - 10 April 1967 — On Saturday July 1, 1967, the U. S. Coast Guard will electronically span some 6,600 miles in commemoration of AMELIA EARHART. The Coast Guard will attempt to contact members of the Ninety-Nines, an international organization of women pilots, at their International Convention at Washington, D. C., from Howland Island in the Mid-Pacific, in memory of the last flight of the world famous flyer AMELIA EARHART. The July 1st date marks the 30th anniversary of MISS EARHART'S disappearance in the Pacific. Howland Island was the intended set-down

STATEMENT BY
VICE PRESIDENT
HUBERT H. HUMPHREY
ON THE NINETY-NINES
INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION
JUNE 28—JULY 2, 1967

In 1967, more than ever before, America extends the welcome mat to visitors from all over the world. This is historic International Tourist Year, as proclaimed by the United Nations.

Few groups better exemplify the spirit, tht zest, the adventure of travel than the famed Ninety-Nines, the international organization for licensed women pilots. Their friendship-in-flying unites their skills and interests across space and time, over boundaries and barriers.

The smooth hum of the airplane engines which bring so many foreign women pilots to our skies will be "music" in airports throughout America.

Our nation's capital all over America will be so very pleased to greet their winged visitors.

As Chairman of President Johnson's Special Cabinet Task Force on Travel USA. I am delighted to note the Ninety-Nines' imaginative program of dramatizing their International Fly-In. As they enjoy the DISCOVER AMERICA Program, the Nnety-Nines' will be far more than passive spectators; they will "bring many parts of the world with them"; they will strengthen friendship and understanding; they will lift our spirits high in "ceiling unlimited" for peace and good will.

site for AMLIA EARHART'S longest over-water stretch, some 2,500 miles, in her attempt to fly around the world.

The Coast Guard Cutter BLACK-HAW will try to contact the women's group from tiny Howland Island using radio communications from the ship to a Coast Guard radio station in Honolulu and relayed on commercial telephone lines from Hawaii to the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D. C. The 99s will hold a special ceremony at the Smithsonian beginning at 11 a.m. EDST in July 1st, The ceremony is part of a five-day International Fly-In sponsored by the 99s from June 28 to July 2, focusing attention on the progress of women in aviation, and the theme "Friendship through Flying."

A light tower was built on Howland Island a few months after the disappearance of AMELIA EARHART as a memorial to her pioneering contribution to aviation history. The plaque read, "Earhart Light, 1937."

At the outbreak of World War II, the Japanese bombed Howland Island damaging the tower and extinguishing the light. Until 1963, when the tower was rebuilt, the light remained dark and the structure was known as the Howland Island Daybeacon.

When rebuilt in 1963, the tower was officially renamed EARHART LIGHT. The tower, painted in red and white stripes, has a 140 candlepower light supplied by long-life batteries that are replenished each year during the Coast Guard's annual visit. Each year the Coast Guard lands at Howland Island to re-establish United States sovereignty.

## **Coming Events**

May 5, 6, and 7 Southeast Sectional Natchez, Mississippi

May 5, 6, and 7

North Central Spring Sectional

Peoria, Illinois

May 11, 12, 13 NIFA Carbondale, Illinois

May 12, 13, and 14
Pylon Air Races
Luek Field
Ft. Worth. Tex.

May 24, 25, 26

All Women's International Air Race
"Angel Derby"
Montreal, Quebec, Canada
to Miami, Florida, USA

June 3 (Note NEW date)
N. Y. - N. J. Spring Sectional
Buffalo, N. Y.

June 10 San Diego-Reno Fun Race

> June 23 Sky Lady Derby Ft. Worth, Texas

June 28 - July 2 International Convention Washington, D. C.

July 1, 2, 3, and 4 National Air Races Chicago, Ill. July 8 AWTAR

Altantic City, N. J. to Torrance, Calif.

Aug. 4, 5, and 6
National Air Races

Washington, D. C.

August 28 and 29

Northwest Section Race

Sept. 1, 2, 3, and 4 National Air Races Cleveland, Ohio

Sept. 15, 16 and 17 North Central Fall Sectional Pheasant Run Inn

(adjacent to DuPage Airport, Ill.)

Sept. 15, 16, and 17 Southwest Sectional Holiday Inn Stockton, Calif.

Sept. 29, 30, and Oct. 1 South Central Fall Section Albuquerque, N. Mex.

October 7 (note NEW date)

AWNEAR

Norwood, Mass.

October 7

Michigan SMALL Race Grand Rapids, Mich. Oct. 13, 14, and 15 National Air Races Los Angeles, Calif.

October 21
Fairladies Annual
Indiana Race
Bloomington, Indiana

## INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

The enthusiasm and ingenuity of our foreign girls is boundless. ANESIA MACHADO from Brazil, plans to fly a plane across the Americas to our capital. By the time the twelve girls from Australia arrive, many will have seen most of the world. MARGARET KENTLEY is traveling via India and Europe with a visit to the Paris Air Show and Montreal Trade Fair before returning home via Honolulu. BOZINA KRAJCA is going to see South Africa, Europe and Canada before arriving in Washington, D. C. She, too, plans to return via Honolulu. BARBARA SHELBY-BROWN thinks that Mexico and Dallas, Texas, would be interesting places to visit before Convention time, ROSEMARY DE PIERRES and husband may meet later in San Francisco before going on a tour of South America. Others planning to attend the convention from Australia are: NANCY BIRD WALTON, MARIE RICHARDSON, EDITH COPPER, CORINNE DRUCE, CHRISTINE HENDERSON, KATH-ERINE HENDERSON, BRENA AN-DERS and FREDA THOMPSON.

We have already received a number of reservations from our Australian girls as well as SHEILA SCOTT, Governor of the British Section, and EDITH DENNY, Governor of the Canadian Section.

MYRIAM ZIEL of Parabaribo, Suriname, plans to be in Europe in May and America in June. ALI SHUKRIAT from Pakistan is eagerly looking forward to seeing her friend ADELAIDE TINKER and America, DOROTHY BANZHOF in Addis Ababa, hopes to be here and has written to SABINA GOK-CEN in Turkey in hope that she, too, can come. SISTER THERESA from Kenya is returning to the States after being replaced by another flying nun who is also a Ninety-Nine. FIORENZA DE BERNARDI and GRAZIA SAR-TORI want so much to be with us. CHANDA SAWANT from India is looking forward to seeing our country first-hand. The South African girls are leaving no stones unturned in their efforts to get here for the gala affair. FAY WELLS has been in touch with many overseas girls including LUCIE WYMANS of the Netherlands who expects to be here. Upon FAY'S return from the Latin American Conference in Punta del Este in Urguary,

we will try to make a complete list of those coming from abroad for the convention for the next issue of the Ninety-Nine NEWS. However, this will give you some idea of the effort they are putting forth to be with you during our International Convention.

This is a copy of the letter from FARRIS BRYANT, Director of the Office of Emergency Planning and member of the President's Cabinet Level Task for C. E. on Travel to all of the fifty state governors.

Dear Governor:

I'm pleased to call your attention to a national tourism project that could develop some tourism revenue for your state while it attracts new travel from abroad. VICE PRESIDENT HUMPHREY chairs the president's cabinet task force on travel. I am pleased to be a member of this group which explores means of encouraging tourism in America both foreign and domestic.

This summer, during International Tourist Year, Washington, D. C. will host an International Convention of the Ninety-Nines, Inc. This is a world-wide organization of over 3,000 women pilots, whose first president was AMELIA EARHART. The lady flyers will gather at the Shoreham Hotel, June 28th.

The Ninety-Nines have devised interesting promotions — including a national contest for aerial photographs of state tourist attractions — to draw attention to their efforts on behalf of aviation, understanding and tourism. An enclosed fact sheet outlines programs which should be of interest to your state.

Members of the Ninety-Nines from your state will contact your people to explain the program further.

I urge you to lend assistance to this worthwhile program.

Sincerely, Farris Bryant Director

We tried, but in case some gremlins crept in and we missed you, please detach and mail in the following reservation card.

## THE NINETY-NINES INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION June 28 - July 2, 1967

Name		Ch	apter	
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Attending '67 Convention: Yes.	No	49½'ei	·	24¾'s
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White House Tour Smith	nsonian Receptio	on Sund	lay Brea	kfast
Beauty Shop Appointment	•			
Departure Date				
Remarks:				

Return as Soon as Possible — No Later than June 14, 1967, to
Mrs. Donald M. Thompson
3803 Hillcrest Lane
Annandale, Virginia 22003

## THE NINETY - NINES INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

JUNE 28 - JULY 2, 1967

## SHOREHAM HOTEL AND MOTOR INN, WASHINGTON, D. C.

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2:30 P.M.	*** Tour of Dulles Int. Airport Tower & Radar Room	Gate 14
3:00	*** Tour of Dulles Terminal, Mobile Lounges, & Fire House	" 14
4:00	*** Tour of Dulles Int Airport Tower & Radar Room	" 14

## Wednesday, June 28

8:00 A.M 7 P.M.	Registration	
9:00	Chairman's Coffee	
10:00	*** Tour of Dulles International Airport Facilities	Gate 14
12:00	Governor's Luncheon	
2:30	*** Tour of Dulles Int. Airport Tower & Radar Room	" 14
3:00	*** Tour of Dulles Terminal, Mobile Lounges, & Fire House	" 14
4:00	*** Tour of Dulles Int. Airport Tower & Radar Room	" 14
6:00	* Get Acquainted Party	

## Thursday, June 29

8:00 A.M 7 P.M.	Registration
9:30	** Embassy Visit & Coffee
12:00	* Award Luncheon
2:00	Convention Meeting
Evening	No Host Dinner (List of suggested restaurants provided.)
7:30 P.M.	3 Hour Eve. Sightseeing Tour of Washington — \$3.00 Adults 2.00 Children under 14 Years

## Friday, June 30

9:00 A.M.	Convention Meeting (Continued)
Afternoon	Free for Sightseeing, Shopping, etc.
7:00 P.M.	Cocktail Hour
7:30 P.M.	* International Banquet honoring Overseas Members and their Ambassadors — Regency Room

## Saturday, July 1

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9:00 A.M. 11:30	<ul> <li>** White House Tour</li> <li>* Smithsonian Institution</li> <li>1. First two-way broadcast between Howland Island and Washington, D. C.</li> <li>2. Presentation of Global Histories of Women in Aviation.</li> <li>3. Showing of Amelia Earhant's record breaking Vega, Lindberg's Spirit of St. Louis and Wright Brothers' first airplane.</li> </ul>	
Evening	Free Evening (Data provided regarding possibilities.)	

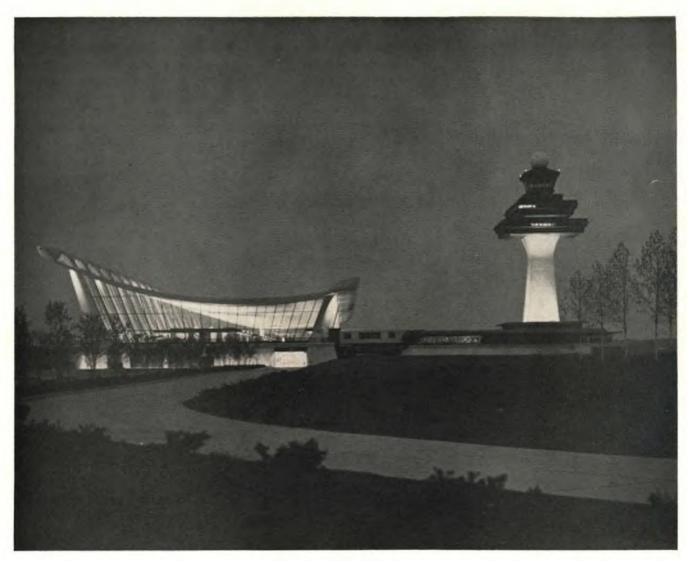
## Sunday, July 2

Time	** Leave for Dulles Int. Airport — Busses at Front Entrance of Hotel
Specified	** Early Bird Breakfast
Later	** International Tree Planting Ceremony at Dulles Int. Airport
	** Gala Send - Off to our overseas "99s" on their coast-too-coast tour and to the girls heading to Atlantic City and the start of the Powder Puff Derby, July 8th.

<sup>\*</sup> and \*\* Included in Registration Fee of \$25.00

<sup>\*\*</sup> Included in Partial Registration Fee of 3.50 — Guests must be registered to participate.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> No Fee or Registration required for Dulles International Airport Tour.



Washington's International Airport welcomes the Ninety-Nines First International Fly-In. It is an outstanding example of how all facets of aviation working together can span the barriers of space and language and build lasting friend-ships reaching to the four corners of the globe. The Committee for Dulles welcomes you to Washington's International Airport, and we look forward to seeing you. (Official FAA Photo).

NO TIE-DOWN FEES at Dulles International Airport for Ninety-Nines during our International Convention. They have been waived by J. E. HANRETTA, Vice President and General Manager for Page Airways, Inc. and R. DAN MAHNEY, Airport Manager of Dulles International Airport. For VFR Arrival:

1. Contact Dulles Approach Control on 119.2 (preferred) or 126.1 mc when approximately 20 miles from Dulles International Airport. Aircraft not equipped for two-way communication on 126.1 mc should transmit on 122.7 mc and listen on

126.1 mc.

- 2. State aircraft identification, type, relative position, destination and if equipped with radar beacon transponder.
- 3. Remain in communication with Dulles Approach Control until ad-

How 'bout flyin' a RACE with an INTERNATIONAL MEMBER as Co-Pilot ? ? ? ?

vised to change to tower frequency.

4. Dulles Approach Control will advise the runway to be used, wind direction and velocity, and traffic information. To establish the landing sequence, pilots may be given holding instruction and/or specific routes or headings to fly. When a pilot reports he has the aircraft he is to follow in sight, he will be directed to follow it. Radar Service will be terminated when you are told to contact the tower on 120.1 mc. The tower will assign the landing sequence number. Dulles ground control is 121.9 mc.

## **AWTAR**

### AWTAR WAYS AND MEANS

It's that time again!! Every Year about this time, those who have undertaken the responsibility of running the annual race start to worry about financial backing for the next year's Powder Puff Derby. They know that you want the race to go on, but do you know how much they need your support?

Possibly you feel no urgency about the 1968 race. It sounds so far away. Plans must be made far in advance in order to complete the innumerable details on time and your financial help must be assured before those plans can be put into action. Don't delay—Send your donation today!

Chapters please note: Please send your contributions or pledges for same to reach me by June 15th so that your chapter name can be included in the annual report given at convention.

Thanking you in advance for what I hope will be your overwhelming response and cooperation.

PAULINE GLASSON, AWTAR-99 Fund Raising Chairman, International Airport, Route 2, Box 894, Corpus Christi, Texas 78408

### POWDER PUFF DERBY

## Marion Andrews Lopez, Reporter

Wish I could tell you who will be No. 1 in the race this year but the drawing with all its fanfare, will take place next week. Twenty entries came in on the first day of arrivals postmarked April 15th and there will be more from outlying areas.

Although individual contributions, for which we are most grateful, are running higher this year than heretofore, the chapter contributions are lagging. We would like to hear about your chapter fund raising projects. You may have a unique idea that other chapters could use because a group can raise money for a cause far easier than an individual.

Of the monies used for the 1966 race, approximately one-quarter came from the 99s. For the 1967 race, there was a drop of 25% in 99 contributions given in 1966 even though the entries increased more than 10%. We estimate the percentage of 99 contributions for the 1967 race will be less than one-fifth of the total. Need I say more? Let us know how you raised the money when you send in your contribution.

We have received contributions from the following industries since the last



MICHIGAN SMALL RACE BOARD ANNOUNCES DATES FOR SMALL RACE!

— Reserve them now — Watch this Space For Particulars —

report: Champion Spark Plug, Shell Oil, Humble Oil, Piper, Beech and Cessna Aircraft Companies.

Correction of the Correction that appeared last Month! On the annual Treasurer's Report, Charleston should read SAVANNAH for the 1968 Term-

inus. Oh Savannah, don't you cry. Please forgive us. We'll have our course straight by sixty-eight!

Send requests for entry kits and entries to AWTAR Headquarters, Teterboro Airport, Teterboro, New Jersey.

## Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship

Many of you may not know that contributions to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund are tax deductible. The Internal Revenue Service publishes a list of organizations to which contributions qualify for tax deduction and the following listing is there:

"Ninety-Nines, Inc. when designated solely for Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund" (Be sure to make check payable to the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund so the check can be deposited directly into the AEMSF account). Our thought is that the chapters and sections might be able to increase your contributions to the AEMSF by having members who are inclined to make personal contributions do so by writing their checks to "Ninety-Nines, Inc. for Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund" This could be credited to chapter or section, if so desired, in our annual report.

We hope each chapter and section will make a special effort to bring the amount of their contribution up to or above that of last year, and that we will hear from the new chapters and those who missed last year completely.

The Scholarships given by the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund have helped many of our members to become accomplished pilots by giving them their advanced ratings. Let us keep up this good work in memory of AMELIA.

BETTY GILLIES, Treasurer

Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship
The twenty-eight applications selected by the sections for presentation to
the Trustees have been processed and
the top six are now (April 15) in the
hands of the Honorary Judges for
final determination of the winners.

We should be able to notify each winner by June 1st of her selection. Elimination was particularly difficult this year so many excellent applications were submitted. We wish you might all have been winners! ELIGENIA HEISE. Chairman

EUGENIA HEISE, Chairman AEMS

1112 Pinehurst Royal Oak, Michigan 48073

Dreams which are YOURS, MINE, EVERY WOMAN PILOTS!  Dreams of flying (and winning) the Powder Puff Derby  I wonder how many of you have thought of the way some of our members-at-large right now? Many of them are coming to the Ninety-Nines International Convention ington this year, from all around the World, and some would LOVE TO FLY THE "if there is only a way"	Dear Ninety-Nines:
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Let's get together and in the meantime	Please write me immediately (stamp costs cheerfully refunded) I will help you find a pilot or co-pilot, someone you'll enjoy This is stuff dreams are made of, THIS IS YOUR DREAM TOO to fly this year in the All Woman Transcontinental Air Race and we can help make it REAL

Sincerely yours,

Lorraine C. Mc Carty

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FLY WITH SOMEONE THIS YEAR

FLY WELL . . . . .

## 1967 - TWELFTH ANNUAL SMALL RACE

### WHAT IS IT?

An annual event sponsored by the Michigan Chapter of the Ninety-Nines (International organization of licensed women pilots), conducted in cooperation with the Michigan Aeronautics Commission. Local arragnements under the sponsorship of the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce and Local Aviation Groups.

The 1967 Race is the Twelfth Annual.

A cross-country proficiency aviation event for stock model, unsupercharged fixed wing, single or multi aircraft of not more than 420 horsepower. Flown during daylight hours under VFR (Visual Flight Rules) conditions; conducted on a handicap system.

A round-robin event of approximately 200 miles starting and ending at Grand Rapids, Michigan with two or more check points.

Exact course of the Race is not given to the contestants until each plane is impounded for the night before the Race.

Members of the Michigan Amateur Radio Operators organization and 99s are located at the check points to be sure pilots are properly logged in as they fly by each check point.

A Race for women pilots but who may fly solo or have a male or female copilot or passenger.

### DATE AND PLACE

October 6, 7 and 8, 1967 — Kent County Airport — Grand Rapids, Michigan.

### HISTORY

The name SMALL RACE was given this race the first year (1956) when the AWTAR (All Women's Transcontinental Air Race) terminated in Flint, Michigan. The SMALL RACE was flown from Flint to Harbor Springs, Michigan, where the International Convention of the Ninety-Nines was taking place. Aircraft taking part over the past eleven years have ranged from a single engine 65 horsepower to twin-engine 300 horsepower. This year the horse-power has been extended to 420. Contestants have flown every conceivable type of aircraft allowed and have come from distances over 2,000 miles.

The number of aircraft in the past races have averaged over 50 planes. There have been as many as 114 contestants including pilots and co-pilots.

### ENTRY DATES

The entries this year will not exceed 60 airplanes. The opening entry date is July 10, 1967. Closing date is September 18, 1967 — 2400 EST. The first 60 applicants will be the contestants for the Michigan SMALL RACE of 1967.

### MISCELLANEOUS

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## NOTAMS



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## NOTAMS

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## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### AIR MARKING REPORT

The following report is intended to give recognition to the chapters that are engaged in active Air Marking programs and are reporting their activities to the Committee. If any of you have been busy and have not notified MARY ABLE, please mail in a report so your accomplishments can be included in the Annual Report.

It is with great pride that we congratulate the South-Central Section for their efforts. The following is a list of the markings completed during 1966 and 1967

ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER

Moriarity Santa Fe

Albuquerque

COLORADO CHAPTER

Broomfield

DALLAS CHAPTER

Addison

Garland

Gainsville

HOUSTON CHAPTER

Clover Field

Andrau Airpark

Texas City

Galveston

Jasper

Chambers County

Spaceland

Lakeside Airport

Lane Airpark

KANSAS CHAPTER

Harrison Field

Augustaa

TIP-O-TEXAS CHAPTER

36 completed

TULSA CHAPTER

2 completed

The All Ohio Chapter working with the Ohio Jaycees and the C. P. A. made an outstanding showing. Their completed Air Marks are:

Alliance

Bellefontaine

Bluffton Airport

Greenfield

Hammersville

Newcomberstoown

Oxford

Urbana

West Lafayette

Wooster

Versailles Xenia

Akron

Albany

West Carrollton

To the following chapters — keep up the good work.

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St. George

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Richfield

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CHICAGO CHAPTER

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GARDEN STATE CHAPTER

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Canadian Section

The Ninety-Nines and most especially the Air Marking Committee would like to express our sincere sympathy to the family of AUTRIE VELL LEHR. The loss of her tireless efforts in Ohio and the entire Air Marking program will be long felt by all.

MARY ABLE JERRY ROBERTS

### SCRAPBOOK MATERIAL NEEDED

I have been so pleased with the response to by letters to all Chapter Chairman in reference to scrapbook material for our National Scrapbook.

However we need more news. I feel sure that much more is being printed and want to urge all you Chapter Chairman to send it to me.

I have requested duplicate copies and had several inquiries as to why. As is customary, my plans are to complete one for headquarters and one for our National President. So whenever possible do send two.

Thanks to all of you who have started sending in material and let me hear from more chapters.

Juanita Halstead National Scrapbook Chairman 4307 South Court Street Montgomery, Alabama 36105



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## Section Meetings

MIDDLE EAST SECTIONAL MEETING Kate Macario

The spring meeting of the Middle East Section was held Saturday, April 15, 1967 at Schrafft's Colony 7 on the Washington-Baltimore Parkway. Transportation from Friendship Airport was provided by the Maryland Chapter, the host for this affair. The business meeting was begun immediately following on excellent lunch. The first item on the agenda, and the highlight of the day, was the presentation of the Charter to our newest addition, the Virginia Chapter. Gov. KATE MACARIO thanked RUTH FRECKLETON for her untiring efforts in bringing this group into the Ninety-Nines. RUTH, in turn, introduced our Dean of Women Pilots, BLANCHE NOYES, who graciously welcomed the new Chapter and turned the Charter over to ESTHER GOBLE, Chairman of the Virginia Chapter, KATE and Vice-Gov., HAZEL

BARTOLET proudly pinned corsages and Ninety-Nine pins on the girls. We are fortunate in adding this group to our Section; they will be an asset to us and to the organization as a whole. Starting out with five transfers and ten new members plus the State of Virginia behind them, should mean a bright and active future for this Chapter.

Following a Treasurer's report by HAZEL DWIGGINS and dispensing of the minutes by Secretary, BARBARA FARQUHARSON, Committee reports, and Chapter reports by the following chairmen: NANCY LYNAM, JOYCE ROGGIO, HAZEL BARTOLET and LEAH STINCHCOMB, the rest of the meeting was spent on Convention business. FAY WELLS explained the \$250.00 tables for the State and/or Ambassadors, and how to go about obtaining these. Much has been accomplished already and this Convention sounds like one not to be missed.

Thanks to the efforts of the Maryland Chapter, LEAH STINCHCOMB for making the arrangements, and the services of the 49½ ers, the Middle East Sectional was most successful and enjoyable.

## SOUTH CENTRAL SECTIONAL REPORT Hazel H. McKendrick, Reporter

The drawbridge was over the boat and the banners atop the castle were gently fluttering against a Ninety-Nine "blue" sky as the Spring Sectional get underway at the Camelot Inn in Tulsa, Oklahoma

At the "Bierfest" in the Great Hall on Friday night, it was great fun seeing everyone especially three International Past Presidents, EDNA G. WHYTE, RUTH DEERMAN, and BRONETA EVANS, DONNA MYERS, International Vice-President, was there standing in for ALICE ROBERTS. DORIS RENNINGER, Board Member, stopped off in Tulsa for the meeting on her way to the Board meeting GENE NORA JESSEN, International Secretary, flew in from the meeting in Washington and HERB FISHER, Port of Authority helicopter king, was also there. These special guests plus all the members getting together, is one of the great parts of a Sectional meeting.

Saturday was our business meeting. We are now 20 chapters and our beloved "GUV" announced TOPEKA was our newest chapter. Incidentally they had 100% membership representation

at this meeting. GUV also announced that we have 587 members and are shooting for 600. So all you Membership Chairmen, who have done such a great job, keep up the good work. Of our twenty chapters, only 5 were not represented at the meeting and of the five, only 2 did not send in a report. All together there were 86 members in attendance.

After the opening prayer, which was written by MILDRED EARLY'S daughter, we had a letter from MARTHA TOBEY inviting us to their Spring Sectional in Natchez, Mississippi on May 5-7. We had a telegram from ALICE ROBERTS, and also one from PAT WARD, So. La. Chapter Chairman, saying that due to innundating rains, it was impossible to get out of Baton Rouge except by boat.

The Treasurer's report was read and we have \$877.4 in the treasury and \$575.61 in the Convention Fund.

The Air Marking is going great guns with 8 chapters active and 57 air marks completed with 13 pending. This made our International Air Marking Chairman, MARY ABLE, sorta puddled up with joy. Think she would just "come a flood" if all our chapters had their air marking program underway. Incidentally LOUISE BICKFORD, Houston Chapter, announced they have a set of air marking templates for sale cheap and if any chapter is interested contact her for a "Real gen-u-wine bargain."

HELEN HEWITT, Shreveport Chapter and A. E. Scholarship Committee Member, announced that we had eleven applications for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship. Of these, our quota was 5 and they were selected. The names of the gals who survived the first cut, were not given. Since I happen to be one of the applicants, I was in no position to press for the information so I guess we will all have to "sweat" a little longer.

BRONETA EVANS reported on the activities of the Nominating Committee, but most of all urged EVERYONE TO VOTE when the time comes.

CAROL WADDELL submitted the Annual Proficiency Test (APT) for a vote and it was passed as an official effort of the South Central Section. Each Chapter Chairman has at least one pamphlet for each member and if more are needed, contact CAROL. Not only is this a worthwhile program, it is also a point getter in the GUV's Chapter Award, so get busy.

Speaking of the GUV's Chapter Award, our beloved GUV would like



Proof of the better than 150 attendance at the TUL South Central Spring Sectional banquet. To those who didn't make it . . . ya should have! It was great!

some suggestions as to what type award would be good. If anyone has any ideas please contact her BEFORE AUGUST IST

GENE NORA JESSEN reported on the activities in Washington in preparation for the International Convention. She reported that as of right now, there will be at last 15 Ninety-Nines from overseas at the Convention and one of the highlights will be the Coast Guard ship Black Hawk contacting the Smithsonian Institution on July 1 at 11:00 a.m. from Howland Island. It just gave you "goosebumps" thinking about it. She also read a letter from VICE-PRESIDENT HUMPHREY about the Convention.

Ed Note—See International Convention material elsewhere in issue.

Albuquerque Chapter won the bid for the Fall Sectional on Sept. 29-30 and Oct. 1. STOP RIGHT NOW AND MARK YOUR CALENDAR and plan to attend. Houston came on with a wild skit bid for the Spring 1968 Sectional and will host us on May 3-4-5, 1968. This has got to be another must.

The one sad note of the meeting was saying farewell to GENE NORA JES-SEN who with 49½ er BOB, is going to Boise, Idaho. We wish them well as the new Beech Distributors, but we sure will miss her.

As to fun and games, there was a great tour to the Gilcrease Museum where they have a fantastic number of paintings and some articles that date back some 3000 years. Your Reporter "chickened out" and according to DONNA MYERS, we goofed by not going.

Saturday night was the banquet and the Sectional Attendance Award went to Houston. The trophy donated by the Kansas Chapter, goes to the chapter with the highest percent in attendance and seat miles traveled. They were 13 strong, held open house nightly and served "border buttermilk," invited us to Houston, and really added to the meeting. After the banquet, we were "sung" to by members of the Tulsa Chapter who resurrected vaudeville for the night. At least now we know why it died. From PEACHES LA TOUR to the KLUNK SISTERS, to ROSE LA ROSE, to LOOSIANA LIL to the grand finale Salvation Army Band, it was a riot!!

If we were Cub Scouts, we could give the Tulsa Chapter a "four square how" for a job well done, or possibly a "4.0 grade" Navy style. Since we are neither, we can only say it was a wonderful weekend, a grand time by all, and this just is about the best one ever. Of course it always seems the "best ever." We are lucky to have such a great bunch of gals in our Section and anytime they get together it is just great.

For those of you who have never attended a Sectional meeting or have not attended one in a long time, you are truly missing out. Plan now to go to Albuquerque. Work on the Governor's Award, Airmark, Educate, and then come to the meeting and let us hear about it. See old friends and make new ones. Have fun-fun-fun. See You there!!!



Margaret Kentley, Reporter

The Autumn Sectional Meeting of the Australian Ninety Nines was held at Coolangatta, Queensland, April 7-9, during the Annual General Meeting Week-end of the A.W.P.A. Over 90 members of the Australian Women Pilots Asso, came from all over Australia for the meeting and 22 were members of 99s. A wonderful week-end was had by all at the Broadbeach Hotel where the meetings and Banquet were held. We are greatly indebted to HAZEL KENNINGTON for inviting us all to a maganificent barbeque at her very lovely home, on the Sunday. The weather was wonderful for 3 days, between a cyclone before it and an anti-cyclone after it, which marooned girls and their aircraft for days, all up and down the East Australian Coast!

A feature of the Convention was a Navigation Trail, over a 130 nm course. Contestants were given the three check points only one hour before take-off and had to land to a mark within an area of 50 ft. on the runway on return to the base aerodrome. Enormous fun was had by all the 30 pilots who took part, or went along as passengers in the 13 participating aircraft. MARGARET KENTLEY and ALISON HOL-

LAND as pilot and navigator, were surprised to come in third, against some very stiff competition. SONJA ROBEY came in first and PAM MILLS was second. This was the first time women pilots have flown twin aircraft in a race in Australia. BERYL YOUNG and OLGA TARLING flew a Twin Aztec and SUE FOLKS and ROBIN MILLER flew a Beech Baron.

The Nancy Bird Trophy for the woman pilot who has made the most outstanding contribution to Aviation in Australia during 1966, was awarded to BERYL YOUNG, for her outstanding flying for the United Nations Geophysical Survey in the Solomon Islands, the C.S.I.R.O. Ocean Survey, 200 nm out over the Pacific Ocean, and for being the first woman in Australia to obtain a 1st class Instrument rating.

A.W.P.A. Member, SUE FOLKS again attempted the trans-Australia Solo Flight from Sydney to Perth, nonstop, and this time easily broke the record by several hours, making the flight in 10 hours, 40 minutes, at an average speed of 204 mph.

We warmly welcome 5 new members this month — BERYL EDMONDS, RONETTE WILLIAMS, BOZINA KRAJCA, FRANCES DELAHUNTY, and THYRA CUMING. We offer our very hearty congratulations to MARGARET LEE on obtaining her Instructor's Rating and to ROSEMARY ARNOLD on her Commercial license, thus becoming the 1st Australian Woman with a commercial Helicopter License.

Fifteen of us feel we are sure to meet you all in Washington for the Convention. come 28th June, and 7 of us hope to fly in the Powder Puff Derby, which we are greatly looking forward to!

Until next month, Cheerio.

## BRITISH SECTION

Janet Ferguson, Reporter

Here are details on the two girls who are in the process of joining us.

BEATRICE BICKERTON has Commercial, Instrument rating, Instructor's rating and has recently been working towards her Airline Transport Pilot's License. She was brought up in an aviation atmosphere as her family has owned Denham Aerodrome for many

years. This is an attractive little grass field about 20 miles outside London which has developed into a very active executive and training senter BEAT-RICE has instructed there and flown charter, but she is currently turning her attention to other matters—namely, her marriage this month to IAN PAUL. Our best wishes to them and we look forward to welcoming IAN as a new 49½ er.

LETTICE CURTIS is an extremely experienced pilot with a wide varicty of aircraft types and aviation jobs to her credit, as well as a degree in Mathematics, LETTICE had a B license before the war (this was the forerunner of the Commercial) and flew for an air survey company. She was flying in the Air Transport Auxiliary all through the war and ferried just about every type of combat aircraft there was - four - engine bombers including Fortresses and Lancasters. fighters including Spitfires and Mustang, and "odd jobs" like the Airocobre and the Walrus. Since the war, LET-TICE has worked as a flight test obser-

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ver on experimental flying at Boscombe Down and as flight development engineer for Fairey Aviation. She is currently working for the Ministry of Technology on the new automatic Air Traffic Control Centre, and flies Ministry Aircraft to keep in touch with current flying practices and on duty visits. LETTICE did a lot of air racing after the war and won an Open Handicap Race in 1948 flying no less than a Spitfire!

Exciting news from ELIZABETH OVERBURY. She has been selected by her company to join their BAC-111 fleet when it enters service early next year. Looks like ELIZABETH will be the first girl to fly jets for an airline and she's understandably very thrilled about it. She will be taking a course on the One Eleven later this year and we look forward to hearing her reactions to flying this top-selling British jet.

We were sorry to hear that SUE PHILLIPS had been flat on her back for the last  $2\frac{1}{2}$  months due to her forthcoming baby misbehaving. Everything seems to be OK now though,

and SUE reports the baby is "still on board."

GILLIAN CAZALET reports that she is enjoying flying for Skyways Coach Air and is on their regular cross-channel route between Lympne, Kent and Beauvais, France. After two or three consecutive round trips in one day, GILLIAN admits that she sometimes forgets which way she is going!

Finally, two bits of news passed on to me by BETTY CONES. ANN WELCH has been interviewing applicants for a nation-wide flying scholarship scheme, organized by a tobacco company; and PAMELA HUNTLY, and her daughter LEMINA GORDON went to a "hover-in" where LEMINA had a flight in a helicopter.

That's all for now — the busy flying season is rapidly approaching and we all expect to be pretty hectic.



### CONNECTICUT CHAPTER

The Connecticut Chapter has a special project upon which it has been working all winter and we would like the advice and counsel of any other 99s (especially early members) who might be able to help us better fit our puzzle together. Many of the personal papers, scrapbooks, and assorted memorabilia of the late RUTH NICHOLS were in a building to be razed and a gentleman pilot, who discovered this fact by accident, brought it to the 99s attention. We located a storage area and, with the help of several strong 491/2 ers and a couple of EAA men plus a borrowed truck, we rescued all these effects, many of them dealing with early aviation days.

MARY HORTON has done a monumental job in organizing the rescue effort and tracking down MISS NICHOLS' family for their permission. There is a wealth of memorabilia concerning RUTH NICHOLS and we have to collate these things to see which would be valuable to aviation history. With all this original source material, the Chapter has been meeting from 2 to 4 times a month in addition to monthly meetings. We have been systemically sorting and filing photos, scrapbooks, and old newspapers armed with MISS NICHOLS' autobiography "Wings For Life." A recent month, we held our



Evidence of the storeroom 'find' shown here as Connecticut Chapter members sort RUTH NICHOLS' souvenirs. L. to R. ELLEN PURDY, EVELYN MURCH, TITA GUNTHER, and JO MASSEY.

business meeting and lunch in the storeroom — a sheet spread on a pingpong table can look very festive when everyone has been working hard—and they had!

Is there anyone who might know where RUTH NICHOLS' trophies are? Have you seen them in any museum or collection? We know they exist-but neither her family, nor the 99 museum nor the Smithsonian have them. If they are in good hands - wonderful! But if, like these other things, they are not - we would like to track them down and combine them with the things we have to be presented in due time to the Smithsonian and 99 headquarters. RUTH NICHOLS did a great deal for aviation - history must not lose track of her! We'd love your help - come see us - or write to MARY HORTON!

MR. WILLIAM NICHOLS, RUTH'S brother, has accepted our invitation to the New England Sectional on April 15th; — he has given us a good deal of help long-distance, and we are so pleased that everyone will have a chance now to meet and talk with him personally.



Don't Miss Your

Spring Sectional

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New Date
June 3

### GREATER NEW YORK CHAPTER Dolores M. Madden, Reporter

Bits and Pieces garnered at Meeting in Ferdi's Restaurant on March 21st

JUDY "Derby Start" MELTSNER present to enlist all hands to help at Powder Puff Derby send-off in July.

LOIS FAIRBANKS and MARION LOPEZ just in from Tulsa, having attended an AWTAR Board Meeting.

DORIS RENNINGER finally appeared, March 19th on "What's My Line" after a frustrating wait. She signed in as a helicopter pilot for Hel-Aire Copter, Ltd. at Midtown Heli-



Working with the newly found RUTH NICHOLS materials are: 1. to r. Several EAA-Norwalk Chapter members, 99s CYNTHIA KEMPER, MARY HORTON, holding picture, RUTH BUCKLEY, kneeling, and JO MASSEY.

port, in Manhattan. Her comment: "was fun!!!"

And doing her bit for the advancement of Aviation, BETTY PATTON presented an all-aviation assembly in March for the students of Dwight Morrow High School, Englewood, N. J. She is presently head of the Art Department there.

JULIE VOM SAAL spending three weeks touring Spain with her husband.

RUTH BLISS is also in Spain recovering from a bout with pneumonia. RUTH'S picture (full page) appeared in the Wall Street Journal on March 27th. It was a very eyecatching advertisement by Lycoming and the caption read, "If she can fly her own plane, what are you doing on the ground."

MARJORIE DAVIS left for Rome the end of April, and will go to Finland from there to spend the summer, working. She is presently Professor of Anthropology at Pratt Institute.

Our New York - New Jersey Spring Section meeting, which is to be held in the Buffalo area, has been switched to June 3rd. The original date has been changed to avoid conflict with All-Women's New England Air Race.

The Greater New York Chapter has donated \$355.00 to the AWTAR 1960 fund to help defray expenses of the Powder Puff Derby.

Meet new members:

GLORIA PAOBELLA (MRS. JOHN) lives in Manhattan — is an art Teacher. Husband is also a teacher and a pilot. Prior to GLORIA'S entrance into Education. She was a professional concert singer (mezzo soprano). Besides flying and traveling, her hobbies are painting in oils, the electric organ, sewing, and knitting.

DORIS FITZGERALD )MRS. ED-MUND) lives in Troy, N. Y. but is in her office as an insurance agent so much she lists her address as Waterford. (That is just a wee bit north of Albany). Her husband is also a pilot and they have three children. Other hobbies are skiing (natch), golfing, and swimming.

MARIE HAZEN — also from Manhatten, is a registered nurse. MARIE finds time from her nursing job to not only fly, but to pursue her other hobbies which include skiing, skating, swimming, riding, and painting.

HELEN JOST (MRS. ROBERT) of Bardonia, N. Y. Owns a Cessna 150, has two children, husband an engineer surveyor but a non-pilot. HELEN mem-



RITA GIBSON, Chairman of Long Island Chapter, at Long Island-MacArthur Airport.

ber of the CAP with diversified hobbies as well as flying. Her occupation is receptionist. Just recently moved from Montvale, N. Y. to Bardonia.

HELEN makes our 10th new member this season and with HARRIET MILLER transferring to us from Western New York, our membership list has swollen eleven members since the roster was printed.

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## LONG ISLAND CHAPTER Honey Kate Trattler, Reporter

April will be a month of changes for Long Island Chapter. Chairman RITA GIBSON is leaving us - moving to Long Beach, California (where husband PAUL, an engineering test pilot with the FAA will be stationed). RITA has managed to be our very competent Chairman, a fifth grade school teacher, and mother to six (ranging in age from ten to twenty one.) She has built up her flying hours to 425, and maintains an active interest in music and dancing, as well. We'll miss RITA very much; consoling oursleves with the thought that Long Beach will gain from our loss, and

we now have one more reason to visit California.

I shall be filling in for RITA the remainder of this year, and HELEN MOXIM will be taking over as Reporter, the only pilot in her family, flies husband and children about on business and pleasure trips. She began flying in 1965 and has about 180 hours to her credit, mostly in Cessna 150s and 172s. Right now HELEN is working toward her Commercial ticket. She is a recent member of our Chapter and we are delighted to have her with us.

Other Ninety Nines have had a busy April — ELLIE McCULLOUGH spoke at the West Islip Lion's on "Women in Aviation" and "Sport Parachute Jumping," and at the N. Y. Academy of Science on the film" Stamp of Friendship." She was guest speaker also at both the Long Island and South Suffolk Chapters of Zonta.

Congregations due MARGE GRAY, who has a newly revalidated flight Instructor's certificate; and ANNA DIETRICH, who will fly a brand new Cherokee 140 home from Vero Beach soon.

One more note before closing — last night, April 10th, we had a little farewell party for RITA at my home. Most of us were able to come; and all of us wanted to thank RITA for this past year — and wish her Good Luck and Good Flying!



## CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER Marion Dunlap, Reporters

The Central Pennsylvania Chapter has been very busy these winter months with three major projects—the Convention — the Photographic Contest—the Martinsburg, W. Va., stop for the Powder Puff Derby.

In January we had our meeting in Lock Haven, Pa. — the home of Piper Aircraft - with ALICE FUCHS as our hostess. We saw the new Piper Film "Alaska" and also the "Stamp of Friendship." ALICE has been instrucing all winter and ferrying aircraft all over the United States.

In February, we had a business meeting at the "Farm Store" in Lewisburg, Pa., with HELEN SHEFFER as hostess. HELEN has been instructing and flew to Florida for a vacation.

Our March meeting was held in Harrisburg, Pa., with DR. MARJORIE POOL, as hostess. We had a tour of the radar room, the tower, and the weather bureau. Most interesting!

MARY HULL and ELEANOR STIL-LI, Co-Chairmen, have been working very hard on the Photographic Contest The prize for the best photograph of Pennsylvania will be a week-end far two at the Holiday Inn Town, Harrisburg, Pa., with meals at the best restaurants and two tickets for a play at the Allenberry playhouse.

NAOMI STAHLNNECKER, very generously gave us the money to purchase the film "Stamp of Friendship."

Our members have been doing a lot of flying. MARION DUNLAP and her family are flying to Florida in their Comanche for the Easter vacation. DR. MARJORIE POOL and her Doctor husband flew to California in their Comanche and stopped off to ski at Aspen. COL. SELMA BRANDES, DR. BRANDES, and daughter LISA, flew to Denver, Col. via Hollywood, Fla., in their Twin Comanche to attend an optometry convention. HAZEL BARTOLET, flew to Martinsburg, W. V., to set up the stop for the Powder Puff Derby.

We have a new member, BETTY SHAFFER, from Williamsport, who has her Commercial and Instructor ratings. Welcome aboard!

We have a prospective member, KAY

TALLMAN, who has her Commercial and Instructor ratings and is using her talents instructing at Hershey, Pa.

We are planing our Penny-a-Pound for May 14, at the University Park Airport, State College, Penna.

### Marjorie Pool, Reporter

Over central Pennsylvania on one of those rare fine March days, our little-but-growing Chapter winged into Harrisburg for a monthly meeting. This meeting especially honored MR. EUGENE ZIMMERMAN and MRS. ZIMMERMAN who are donating a large part of the Pennsylvania prize for best Pennsylvania aerial color photograph. Airports and photographers' studios all over central Pennsylvania are sporting the beautiful contest posters made by MARY HULL and ELEANOR STILLI.

On that day, our "best friends," the FAA Controllers treated us to the real "five dollar" tour of the Radar Room and Control Tower at Harrisburg-York State Airport. MR. CAPP, who was Chief controller that day led the way and MR. O. D. WHITE, chief of the U. S. Weather Bureau at Harrisburg, piloted us around his forecasting station. Even some 49½ers (old pros) learned something.

CAROL SMITH, Chapter Treasurer, was crowned QUEEN of the Pennsylvania Flying Farmers Association on March 17, and will reign for one year until the next Penna. Flying Farmers Convention.

We are full of plans for our Penny-A-Pound Day on May 14 at University Park Airfield near Pennsylvania State University and where we held our very successful project last year.

HELEN SHEFFER and MARY HULL are planning to enter the Powder Puff Derby while the rest of us man our assigned first-Stop post at Martinsburg, W. Va. on July 8th.

Chairman HAZEL BARTOLET has been busy with flying visits to Martinsburg, and to Washington for convention planning. She keeps our enthusiasm high for the coming convention and AWTAR.

We welcome ELEANOR STILLI as a new member of our Chapter and KAY TALLIMAN, a new young career pilot, as a prospective member.

It was a thrill to fly into Baltimore for the Middle East Section Spring meeting and taxi for tie-down into "MRS. MAC" MacNamar's very nice Piper fixed-base operation, the Friendship Flying Service. Because your Reporter is still sort of recuperating from surgery, KAY TALLMAN flew us down in her Dad's Cherokee 180; a nice flight with this 18 year old instructor and Commercial pilot, who made this her second meeting attended.

Lots of friends to greet and business to hear about and discuss at the luncheon at Schrafft's. Thanks to the Maryland and Washington Chapters for their fine hospitality. And welcome to the new Virginia Chapter just chartered. Now we are no longer the youngest, and have 14 members!

## EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA CHAPTER

Kate Macario, Reporter

Following New Jersey's example, we tried a box-lunch auction for our March meeting. It was held in the pilot's club house at the North Phila. Airport, an attractive and informal place, an ideal setting for this affair. No other food was available so we had to provide our own lunch. Since ANNE SHIELDS works at N. Phila. Airport, she was elected to arrange for the use of the club house, and HELEN ZUBROW provided the necessary items to make coffee. With such novel boxes decorated as an Omni Station by HELEN PRICE, and a dog house complete with "Snoopy" in helmet and goggles by RACHEL HOPKINSON, the auction got under way, creating much fun and a profit of \$38.00. GINNY SWISHER flew in from Towanda, Pa., bringing her sister, MARILYN, a friend, SKIP SENA and student pilot, DORIS VAN-DERPOOL. BETH STURTEVANT flew in with ALICE MEISENHEIMER: KATE MACARIO brought ANNA SPI-VEY to her third meeting, and SALLY HULL joined us for her second. RACHEL HOPKINSON fascinated us with her skiing experiences in Gstaad, Switzerland, when she and her 491/2 er flew over to visit their daughter, ANN, a student in a Swiss school . . . HELEN PRICE earned her APT rating in the FFA, which consists of a thorough three hour check flight . . . MERLE CHALOW graduates from Bucknell University in June and will start working for IBM; no AWTAR this year for MERLE . . . BARBARA FAR-QUHARSON and ELAINE McGARRY flew in from Eurlington Co., Airport and DR. DOROTHY FLINT, a neurosurgeon in a Phila, hospital and who flies a Cessna 182 out of Phila. Int.

Airport, attended her first meeting. ELYSE CHAPMAN joined us later in the day for her second meeting and was busily discussing plans for entering the IAR with ALICE MEISENHEIMER. ANNA SHIELDS was happy to inform us that we made over \$100. on our twin-bill feature at Wings Field in Feb.

The Middle East Sectional was held by the Maryland Chapter on Saturday, April 15th and those who flew in were picked up at Friendship Airport. The weather was favorable and many did fly in. Those from our Chapter who attended were: BARBARA FARQUAHARSON, ELAINE McGARRY, JOYCE ROGGIO, MARIE D'ALTERIO, HELEN ZUBROW, MERLE CHALOW, KATE MACARIO, ANNE SHIELDS, and IRENE WIRTSCHAFTER. We thank the Maryland Chapter for their hospitality and all the services they provided.

At this date, we have two crews definitely entering the I A R; for flying Cherokees HELEN ZUBROW with ANNA SHIELDS and LIBBY DUVAL with NANCY DIEMAND. LIBBY is the "piggy bank" idea, sent out to all chapter members to raise money for the convention. This method appealed to almost everyone and is being used by the Washington Chapter, Also . . . next month, May 13th should find us air marking Perkimen Valley Airport.

JANICE MUNTZHAS returned from her six-month sojourn in Colorado and is setting up this meeting. While she and her 49,er PHIL, were in Boulder, their Cessna 172 which they and their baby flew out in, was badly damaged by high winds while tied down. The repairs are being paid by insurance and PHIL plans to fly the plane East when finished.

## WELCOME

and

## Congratulations to the newly formed

## Virginia Chapter

(We're anxious to hear from you)

### WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER Ruth Freckleton, Reporter

Sometimes it is just a spark that lights a fire - and so it was with MARY ANN JESSUP - who took the "bull by the horns" and started the match. The Washington Chapter penney-a-pound ride turned out to be 2c a pound. The reason for this is unknown to us. MARY ANN did most of the work, helped by the Marines. After the Marines delivered, the Civil Air Patrol pitched the tents and scrumptious food was served therein. This saved the day — for it was not good flying weather. All-in-all we had four planes, including one of our new prospective member DURETTE HUCK (an Aztek flown by her husband). Others were supplied by Mrs. Thelma McNemar (from her Flight Operation at Friendship Airport), NELLIE and BILL JACKSON'S Beech, and our pilots LAURA ZERENER, VELTA BENN, and NANCY LYNAM to fly passengers. May we take this opportunity to thank all those who were on hand to help, and this included: JOSIE COOK. JOSIE has been making many trips to England to visit her folks. and we are glad to hear she is now here. The service of food in the tent was quite luxurious, including oyster stew, and everyone pitched in with the cooking and serving. We wish to take this opportunity of thanking those Civil Air Patrol Cadets and Seniors who helped make the flights a success. The weather was marginal, but we were able to get enough flights in to make some money for our Convention fund.

ADA MITCHELL and this writer attended the Civil Air Patrol Regional Conference at Myrtle Beach, where we met with ROWENA SLUSHER, who recently transferred from Washington to the new Virginia Chapter. It was a fruitful week-end, educationally and socially, although we were sorry to miss the 2-cent-a-lb-rides at the new Arthur Godfrey Airport in Leesburg, Virginia. Lest we forget to mention someone by name, may we take this opportunity of thanking the Management at Leesburg Airport and all those responsible for the success of our flights.

This reporter, who sponsored the Virginia Chapter, is happy to announce the Charter is now in their possession. The nucleus are: MRS. ESTHER D. L. GOBLE, Chairman; AMY MORRIS, Vice-Chairman; MARIAN HELMS, Se-

cretary; MAXINE WALKER, Treasurer: VIRGINIA RILEY. Membership Chairman, Other members are: NANCY KINDLUND; BETTE WEST; LT. COL-ONEL FLORENCE F. FINTAC; ROW-ENA SLUSHER; ANNE CUTLER; SANDRA CUMMINGS; MARIANNE BURHANS; MARY HOLLOWAY; BER-THA CONDREY; and MAUREEN LEHMAN. And, new transferee is; BRUNHILDE K. BRADLEY from Phoenix. So - you see, they are already on the way to growing. The State of Virginia is having a big presentation of the Charter and welcoming-in on May 12th, and no doubt the next magazine will tell of this. When this writer, spoke to COL. PERKINS on the Wing Commander of the Virginia Civil Air Patrol, and KEN ROWE, Asst. Director of Virginia Aviation, at the recent CAP Conference, they felt very proud of all the girls in Virginia who made the new Chapter possible. There are many more pilots and with the Commission of Virginia backing them, they should grow. They will have their own News Reporter at the next publication of this magazine.

When KATE MARCARIO, our Sectional Governor, and this writer talked it over, we discovered we were both members of the Women Flyers of America during World War II. This was the organization who helped 8,000 women get their pilots licenses and fly for the U.S. In commemoration of this activity, which has since disbanded, this writer gave to the new Virginia Chapter an engraved gavel which had been used during World War II when she was a supervisor and organizing the WFA in and around New York and New Jersey. This sentimental gift was presented at the Sectional Meetings to the Virginia Chapter. Good luck and keep up the good work Virginia!

Next meeting — American Newspaper Women's Club. This reporter will be at the Aviation Writers' Convention in Las Vegas. See you there!



ALABAMA CHAPTER Donna Willard, Reporter

Pell City, Alabama put out the red carpet for the Alabama 99s in April. Not only did MR. KYLE VERS of K. V. Aviation really welcome us with a red carpet, but all the businessmen of Pell City paid for a lovely Buffet luncheon at the Pine Harbor Marina, 99 JERRY CHASE did a great job as hostess.

BILL JEFFERS and RICHARD FUL-LER, from Flight Service showed us a movie on weather called The Unchained Goddess."

MINNIE WADE will be our delegate

to the Spring Sectional Meeting in Natchez, Missishsippi.

Our slate of officers are — Governor, JANET GREENE; Vice-Governor, BENNIE PETERS; Secretary, BETTY FERRELL; Treasurer, ANN ROSS; Nominating Committee, DONNA WILLARD.

Our ETA Trophy has given all of us the incentive to become proficient in figuring our flying time in seconds and our gas consumption in tenths of gallons. LOIS BATES and BETTY ROWE jut their talents together and won the trophy this time. The Flying Petticoats of Huntsville, also have an ETA Trophy and it's encouraging our student pilots as well as the old pros. LAVINIA SPILMAN, a 99 and a Petticoat, won the trophy at the last flyin.

I'd like to introduce our newest member JUDY HUCK. JUDY is from Birmingham orginially, but now lives in Mobile. She has been flying for three years, has her Single and Multiengine rating and is working on her Instrument rating. JUDY flew up from Mobile in an Artec. She works for Gulf Electric as a general office worker and sometimes flies for the company on business. JUDY'S hobbies are fishing, scuba diving, and go'f. She was telling us of the times she has flown out over the Gulf to spot schools of fish and then directs fishing boats. If fishing is your sport, give JUDY a call, maybe she can direct you to that Marlin you've been wanting to mount on your rec room wall.

LOIS BATES casually mentioned the fact that she had gotten a ride in a Lear Jet. We promptly all turned green.

NANCY BEELAND is working toward her Commercial. She flew the plane she and JUANITA HALSTEAD are planning to fly in the IAR. NANCY said that she climbed into a Cessna 140 the other day and promptly flew it all over the runway.

JUDY HUCK flew a recent trip from Homosassa, Fla., to Washington Nat'l.

LAVINIA SPILMAN and 49½ er JIM flew to Eaglesville, Tennessee for sailplane flights with GARLAND PACK. She reports that there is a lot of interest in this kind of flying now.

This pilot is very disappointed. After many months of negotiating for a sponsor for the Powder Puff Derby, cur plane didn't qualify.

You all come to the Convention now, ya heah?

## CAROLINAS CHAPTER Kay Nisbet, Reporter

On Saturday, April 1, twelve Ninety-Nines from the two Carolinas flew into the Southern Pines - Pinehurst airport to see what PAGE SHAMBURGER had planned for that goregous spring day, and no one was disappointed! LOUISE SMITH, EMILY KELLEY, KATHY DAVIS, MARGIE BROWN, PAT BARBER, BEBE RAGAZ, NITA



JEAN LANE, left, a Alabama Chapter 99 as well as the Flying Petticoat President, awarding the Petticoat ETA Trophy to winner LAVINIA SPILLMAN.



Alabama Chapter members LOIS BATES, left, and BETTY ROWE, right, team up to win the ETA Trophy.

MELVIN, NANCY WRENN, CAMILE MARTIN, KAY NISEET, BETTY HAM-ILTON and grandson JIMMY (another promising Hamilton pilot), BARBARA SCHIEBEL with guest and long-missing ESTELLE BRADSHAW with her 491/2 er.

EMILY KELLEY arrived proudly in her Easter present, a 150 . . . the KEL-LEYS are a two-plane family now!

MR. and MRS. BOB FARRINGTON were special guests who delighted everyone. MR. FARRINGTON is a pilot who is News Director of WPTF in Raleigh and presently covering the North Carolina State Legislature, so we were brought up to date on pending airport legislation in N. C. and trea'ed to hilarious tales of politics and aviation.

The Carolinians will be hostesses to the IAR pilots stopping in Winston-Salem in May with EMILY KELLY as head greeter.

LOUISE SMITH and PAGE SHAM-BURGER were in Washington the second week in April for a meeting of the Women's Advisory Committee on Aviation.

The SMITH family had a flying vacation in Florida and the Bahamas in March.

Using her new Multi-engine rating on their new Baron, KAY NISEET flew her children to San Francisco for their spring holiday.

BECKY McKENZIE, now a student at East Carolina College, will be married in June.

The many Carolinians who knew All-Ohio AUTRIE LEHR, were greatly saddened by her death on April 7th.

The Carolinas Chapter has six more new members: BUZZ TAYLOR, KAT-KY DAVIS, NANCY WRENN, PAT BARBER, EVELYN HYMAN, and CAMILE MARTIN.

## FLORIDA SPACE FORT CHAPTER Shirley Page, Reporter

March 8th dawned clear on most of Florida for the birthday celebrations of the Florida Space Port Chapter and the Sun Coast Chapter. Even a few late arrivals from the far south Gold Coast Chapter came to join us in Orlando for a meeting and luncheon bullet at the Skyline Restaurant at Herndon Airport.

To celebrate with us was our Southeast Section Governor from Memphis.

MARTHA TOBEY; representing Space
Port were: Jacksonville - KAY RILEY
and CHARLOTTE CORBIN; Ormond
Beach - ANN CONWAY, BETTY SHER-



New member of Florida Space Port is BOBBI STEEN, shown in the STEEN Comanche 250. BOBBI received her Private license in January 1966. She has approximately 60 hours in Cessna 150 and 172s. She is hard at work getting those necessary hours to fly the Comanche. When that happens, GERALD will have to make an appointment with BOBBI to fly their plane. BOBBI has two children MELANIE, 10 and BUDDY, 5, Besides flying, her hobbies are horseback riding, ranching, skiing, skating and instructing swimming. BOBBI is from Orlando.

MAN, and CY BEERS; Daytona Beach - RICKY CUNNINGHAM; Deland - SHIRLEY PAGE; Orlando - DOT MACNAMARA, MARGARET STANNAH, BOBBY STEEN, MARDA SALISEURG, and MARY BLACKWELL. From Gold Coast Chapter came LOIS PORTER and HEIDI BOOTH.

Most of the meeting was taken up with the International Convention and Florida's part in it. So far we have come up with a photo prize of a 4-night vacation in Daytona complete with tickets to nearby attractions, dinners, London Symphony tickets, and even two 6-week ground school courses at Embry Riddle School of Aviation. Through the cooperation of our three 99 chapters, we are planning an outstanding Florida table at the convention.

Our Chairman, CY BEERS, discussed with us the Florida State Aviation Council and our representation to it. The aim of the council is:

- 1. To advise legislation on growth of aviation in the state.
- 2. To promote tourists.
- 3. To promote aviation education in schools.
- 4. To promote safety.
- 5. To promote the aviation industry.
- 6. To attract industry through aviation.

It is interesting to note that although Florida has only 242 airports (Texas has 812), we have the greatest number of pilots in the US, second only to Texas! Come on Florida!

Our Spaceport Chapter is certainly fortunate to have MARY BLACKWELL of Orlando among our ranks. Not only is she giving us instrument ground school (And she says we'll be ready for the written soon!) but also she has recently been designated as Multiengine examiner for Cessna 310s and Champion Lancers. Congratulations, MARY!

It looks as if we'll be well represented at the Southeast Sectional in May in Natchez. About six of us have plans to fly-in. SHIRLEY PAGE, (De-Land), and CHARLOTTE CORBIN (Jax) have been elected delegates. CAROLYN BASEMAN (DeLand) is alternate.

President CY BEERS and 49½er DON, flew in an Aero Commander to Georgetown in the Exumas last month. They had so much fun they are going back again taking four teenagers! Many Florida 99s went to the Grasshopper fly-in at St. Petersburg. We toured the National Aviation Academy. Former Spaceport member ESTHER GRUPENHAGAN arrived from Atlanta and won the prize (tanks topped) for the Grasshopper coming the furthest. She is moving to Stockholm, Sweden in May and we hear she already has plans to form a 99 chapter there.

Our president CY BEERS announced that the Chamber of Commerce of Florida is helping greatly with publicity on the Aerial Photo Contest. We voted \$25.00 to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund.

We were pleased to have two visitors meet with us—JUANITA DIESBOURG from Orlando and LUCILLE THOMP-SON from Winter Prak. Members present at our April meeting were CY, KAY RILEY, MARY, CHARLOTTE, CAROLYN, SHIRLEY, DOT MACNAMARA, BARBARA HAZARD, BETTY TRACY BOBBY STEEN, and RICKY CUNNINGHAM. Our next meeting will be May 10th at Ormond each Airport—a stopover for the Angel Derby. Do fly-in!

## GEORGIA CHAPTER Betty W. McNabb, Reporter

Your reporter tried to be smart in April, but was suitably put down. Having twice won the handsome ETA-Fuel consumption trophy donated by EIFF and CAROLYN — she decided to win it again. Fortunately, she was in Panama City for the April meeting in Albany, which all the rest of the girls said was on purpose so she could fly in — but Georgia's newest member, JANET MASSEE, won the trophy anyway!

The meeting was held in the grounds of CAROL LOWERY'S lovely country home and the long picnic tables were spread under pecan trees. There were Ninety Nines, 49½ ers, children, friends, cats, and dogs present and everybody had a delightful time.

Next to Natchez and the Section meeting, then tentatively to BETTY McNABB'S Florida place for June.

CAROL and CAROLYN KENNEDY, Georgia Chairman, presented the 1967 Georgia Chapter Yearbook, extremely handsome, and full of information we need — even plane numbers.

ESTHER GRUPENHAGEN sang her song — she is off for Sweden in only a few days, still says Ninety Nines will be most welcome at Falsterbovagen, No. 10 (5 tr) Johanneshov.

Guests and members present were JOYCE SOX and her guest JEANETTE HEBERT, Cessna 140; BETTY JO ALI-SON, 491/2 er Skip, children KAY and BILL, Cessna 172; Chairman CAROLYN KENNEDY and 491/2 er BIFF who drove in to provide some more transportation out to CAROL'S (Parrott is only 37 miles from Albany) - ELLEN CAS-WELL of Griffin; MYRTLE CAGLE, Macon, her 491/2 er WALT and young JOY CAGLE who came in their converted Cessna 170 bringing with them two young friends; JANICE MAS-SEE and ESTHER GRUPENHAGEN, JEAN VOYLES in her 210, and two prospectives, FAY McCRARY, a student and Registered Nurse from Americus, her husband WALTER and son COLLIN; and ELLA REYNOLDS of Macon with her husband and a friend.

And of course HOLLY SMITH, CAROL LOWERY, and BETTY McNABB, Albanians.

## MEMPHIS CHAPTER Ann Hatten, Reporter

The April meeting convened in the newly redecorated Memphis Aero upper room and what a pleasant change in decor. Business was the order of the day, however, and following all the cerebration, the group retreated to the Admiral Benbow for nourishment.

The racing season is eminent and three of our 99s are going to pursue the trophies. INA WALKER and VIRGINIA PROCTOR are ploting the East-West course of the AWTAR and will be flying a Mooney sponsored by Brewer Air Sales. POLLY DUNCAN will be barreling down from Montreal to Miami in the IAR also flying a Mooney. INA and VIRGINIA logged sometime on a recent trip to Kerrville, Texas. INA in a Mark 21 and VIRGINIA in a Executive. Incidently INA and yours truly now have Multiengine ratings.

April the 4th, a contingent from Memphis (LOYCE O'NEAL, ROSE-MARY WILLIAMS, VIRGINIA PROCTOR, INA WALKER, MARTHA TOBEY, POLLY DUNCAN, JUNE KUY-KENDALL, MARY STANLEY, and TRIS BUCHANAN and her husband) flew to Little Rock for a combined

## Have YOU Returned YOUR ballot for International Officers???? DO IT NOW!!

gathering of the Shreveport, Arkansas, and Memphis Chapters. Despite an 18 knot crosswind, JERRY BAKER with poise and proficiency took first place in the spot landing contest. Second and third places went to Shreveport and I understand almost everyone from Memphis came home with a door prize from the luncheon at the Top of the Rock.

JERRY BAKER, we hear, is home convalescing from surgery and soon will be giving us all lessons in spot standings.

MARY STANLEY tells us they are practicing taxiing the Curtis Pusher around the field. Someone flew over their field the other day and thought it was a wheat thresher trying to get air borne.

## MISSISSIPPI CHAPTER Margaret Shipley, Pinch-hitting

We are pleased that plans for the Southeast Sectional meeting in Natchez, Miss., May 4, 5, and 6 are flying along. MIRIAM LOE, Chairman for local arrangements, reports excellent cooperation from the community of Natchez, especially the Chamber of Commerce.

On February 26th, we toured the

Jackson Municipal Tower (Thompson Field), accepting the usual good-natured jibes and cordial hospitality of the FAA Crews. Over lunch in the terminal restaurant, plans for the sectional meeting were crystalized. The upcoming tour of the Aerodynamic Lab at Mississippi State University at Starkville, Miss., was set for Sunday, April 30th. Thanks to LUCILLE WOLFE for making the arrangements.

We goofed and had this meeting (Feb. 26) on the same day as the Louisiana Chapter had their exciting "Poker Race." Those attending the 5-step race were LUCILLE WOLFE and PEGGY McKIE in PEGGY'S Tri Pacer; Congratulations to PEGGY on receiving her Private Feb. 25th) JANET GREEN in her Aero Commander; and EMILY KELLY in her 172. Next year more of us will enter, PAT.

Not much X-C flying to report, but the SE at the Jackson meeting were: BERNICE KELLY and ETHEL RAD-ZEWICZ, PEGGY McCORMICK, 491/2 er FRANK, and JEAN and HANK HODGES in their mutually-owned Skyplane, DOT ETHRIDGE and CORKY GREENLEA in a Cherokee I80, MIR-IAM LOE in her Bonanza bringing LUCILLE and LEON WEAVER, MAR-GARET SHIPLEY in her Cherokee 140 bringing guest BETTY GREENSHAW, and JO ANDREWS. DOT ETHRIDGE has just about completed the clipped wing Cub she is building, for use in air shows. Husband BOB has devoted many long hours in the tedious job. Look for DOT around the country and catch her act if you have a chance.

### Lucille Wolfe, Reporter

My how time flies. Seems that someone has taken the O off the 30 days in a month. The Southeast Spring Section meeting is upon us and will be over by the time this article is printed. We held our meeting the first Sunday in April in Natchez to complete plans for this meeting. The ole weatherman finally cooperated with us on the weather. MARGARET SHIPLEY and 491/2 er LESTER, MARION LOWE and JUSTIN, NITA STAHLMAN and BILL, ETHEL RADZEWIC and PAUL, BER-NIECE KELLEY, LUCILLE WEAVER, and LUCILLE WOLFE attended. We again welcomed PEGGY McKIE, with her brand new Private License, and she will soon be one of us officially. We missed JANET GREEN, who was unable to attend due to recent surgery. Talked with JANET after the meeting by phone and she was feeling great! We wish her a continued speedy recovery.

Since the Sectional will be over in time for us to make the deadline of the next issue, we will have all the news for you then about the meeting and the winners in the race. This meeting was all but less so I really don't have much to say this time. OH YES! We agreed to purchase 10 programs of the 1967 Powder Puff Derby. This is not many we know, but if every chapter orders 10 this will help!

We will have another meeting this month, April 30th. We will tour the Mississippi State University campus, the Aero Physics Laboratory, wind tunnel, learn how the aeropace program is financed, see the experimental aircraft, and view the gliders belonging to the Glider Club. Will tell you more about this in next issue, too.

So long for now — time has flown away!



## LAST FLIGHT

AUTRIE VELL LEHR

Member All - Ohio Chapter

Friday, April 7, 1967

## ALL-OHIO CHAPTER Edy Maxim, Reporter

Many thanks to JOAN MACE and CAROL CONAWAY, who hostessed our our fine meeting in March at Ohio University Airport at Athens. Little old Ohio University Airport was crowded on 99 day. A count totaled 26 airplanes.

LEE and JIM ROCK Mooneyed to Florida for a week.

LEE is scheduled to speak on the 99s to a chapter of the B.P.W. in Fairborn.

JOAN MACE recently appeared on WOUB television to explain Ohio Uni-

versity Airport operations, JOAN instructs both civilian and R.O.T.C. students for Private and commercial licenses.

PAT FAIRBANKS received her Instrument rating in February and has been recommended for the CFI-1.

CONNIE JONES is still keeping busy with her speaking engagements. She has given seven talks during February and March. CONNIE, too, has been selected to serve as one of the judges at the N.I.F.A. meet at Carbondale, Illinois, in May, and will also present the ALL-Ohio Chapter's ARLENE DAVIS trophy to the high-point girl at the flying meet.

MARILYN COLLETTE had the pleasure of a legal buss job at the Cleveland Hopkins International Airport recen'ly, per tower instructions. Guess we will have to check with her on the details.

LESLIE BOYD of the Garden State Chapter is presently a Clevelander, and we do look forward to having her join our Chapter. LESLIE is a parttime Flight Instructor. NANCY-LEE MALM is back home, after a 3-week stay in the balmy Florida climate. EDY and JOHN MAXIM back from a quickie vacation to the Islands of Sint Maarten and Saba in the Netherland Antilles. The highlight of the trip was the landing and takeoff at Saba. The landing strip has been carved out of the side of the volcanic mountain - 1,000 feet long, with 900 feet usable. The approach gives one the sensation that the wing tip just might scrape the side of the mountain. This exciting landing - downhill - in a turbo-prop DeHavilland Otter. Thank goodness for reverse pitch and "STOL". The takeoff was not nearly so alarming. EDY had the opportunity to set in the copilot's seat on T. O. The Otter literally leaped off the runway in far less than 100 feet. That was nice, as there was a shear cliff on each end of the runway.

Some of our Ohio 99s are preparing their entry forms, readying their airplanes, etc., for the Montreal to Miami I.A.R. Ohia expects to be well represented in the race again this year. Entrants: MARILYN COLLETTE and copilot MARY SCHEAFER; MARION BETZLER; JOANN STYPE; CONNIE JONES and copilot CLARA THARPE; MARION STACKS. And possibly: JANICE KUECHENMEISTER; MILLIE KLAYMAN; JOAN HRUBEC and copilot EDY MAXIM.

The All-Ohio Chapter is saddened

by its loss of AUTRIE LEHR. AUTRIE lost her life in her Bonanza, Friday, April 7th, near Cleveland, Ohio. AUTRIE was a real "flying" 99—lots of cross-country, logged much time, had her Commercial and Multi-engine, competed in many races. She was always so very active in all our Chapter projects, and, especially, has been most instrumental in reactivating Ohio's airmarking program — a combination 99 and Jaycee project. AUTRIE, also, was serving as a member of the International Air marking Committee.

The Ohio 99s deeply appreciate the kindness of so many out-of-state 99s for their expressions of sympathy to us and to KARL.

## CAPE GIRARDEAU AREA CHAPTER Margie Hall, Reporter

The girls from GGI have really been in a whirl lately. Plans are progressing fast and furiously for the NIFA, meet at Carbondale, Ill., May 11, 12, and 13th. We will be further honored by the presence of the 1966 Powder Puff Derby Winner, MRS. EEATRICE STEADMAN. Such a charming lady! We've had the pleasure of knowing BEA for several years, and are looking forward to having her in our mist again.

On a cold, sunny, windy St. Pat's Day, who should blow in but 3 leprethe Trail-Blazer chaun's. ALICE HAMMOND and her crew, KAY BRICK and BARBARA EVANS. We met these lovely ladies for the very 1st time at our very 1st, P.P.D. Stop in 1964. Little did we realize that in 1967. we would be manning our 3rd PPD Stop. It's lots of work, but we sure do have fun doing it. It gives us all a chance to visit with 99s from all over the world.

For our March meeting, we flew in somewhat marginal weather to Dyersburg, Tenn. There, we met our hard working Pilot of the Year, EVELYN ERAESE and her 49½er BILL. Since EVELYN didn't have enough chores to do, what with running an airport and a family, she has now taken over the management of the local Airport Restaurant. If you are in the area, do drop in, the food is delicious and the Hospitality is really Southern.

We had a marvelous turn out for this meeting, was so good seeing POL-LY FREYTAG and 49½ er ART and NELL RICE again. LOIS FEIGEN-BAUM flew over with her 49½ er BOB and son KEITH while your Reporter and her 49½ er FRANK, flew



Trail-blazers for Powder Puff Derby 1967 arrive Carbondale Airport, St. Pats. Day. Left to right. LOIS FEIGENBAUM, Chairman CGI Chapter; ALICE HAMMOND, Trailblazer 1967; KAY BRICK, Chairman Powder Puff Derby Board; BARBARA EVANS, Treasurer Powder Puff Derby; MARGIE HALL, Local Publicity Chairman.

with MILLIE and RUSH LIMBAUGH. Since MILLIE and I had been partying the nite before, we let the men do the flying. We had several guests from the local Dyersburg Pilots Club. We were delighted to have them as our guests.

We are so proud of our very newest member, MARY BOYD. MARY has her Private pilots license. Her 491/2 er JOE, who is a local attorney in Dyersburg, has his Private and is working on his Instrument. MARY has been on our prospective list for several years, but she took time out from flying lessons to have a little one, a future pilot we hope. MARY has her Masters Degree in Chemistry and teaches Physics and Chemistry at the local High School. She also writes a column for the Dyersburg Newspaper and has been instrumental in marvelous publicity for the 99s in her area. Needless to say we're delighted and honored to have her as a member of our Chapter.

Plans for the Derby Stop in Carbondale have all been finalized and we can assure you that it is a Stop that you can't afford to miss, so start now planning your flight for a definite stop at Carbondale.

Spring has arrived in these parts with tulips, red-buds, and the dogwoods all in bloom, and the girls of CGI Chapter are all packed and ready for take off time to Peoria, Ill., and the North Central Spring Section meeting. We can hardly wait to see and visit with our old friends. Happiness is belonging to the North Central Section, and going to Spring Sectional. See you at the Ramada Inn.

Despite sand-blowing and winds gusting up to 35 knots, directly crosswind, the girls of CGI Chapter met in Kenneth, Missouri, with POLLY FREYTAG and NELL RICE as our hostesses.

MILLIE LIMBAUGH beat us all to the meeting. She motored to Kenneth, but then she started 3 days before we did.

Your Reporter was fortunate to hitch a ride with CAROLYN and BILL HAY-ES in their new Skymaster. CAROLYN is a new pilot and we hope a future member of our Chapter.

Our busy Chairman, LOIS FEIGEN-BAUM has been running all 4 ways at once lately, but she always manages to arrive at the right place at the correct time. LOIS is International Chairman of the NIFA and reports that so far 29 schools with approximately

500 students will be represented at the meet in Carbondale.

The girls from CGI were indeed saddened to learn of the untimely death of AUTRIE LEHR. We extend to her family and many friends our sincere condolences. The Chapter voted to send a check to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund in memory of AUTRIE.

Following our meeting, we were especially fortunate to have MR. DICK RICE, 49½ er of NELL, as our speaker. We all stand in awe of DICK and his ability to build airplanes. DICK spoke to our group on "How to Build a Airplane for Certification."

To date, DICK has built 3 Pitts Specials. Number 1 was sold to BOB HERENDEEN of Santa Monica, Calif. Since acquiring the Pitts, BOE has gone out and become U. S. Aerobatic Champion, as well as placing 26th in the World Competition in Russia in 1966. He will be flying N66Y in various events around the U. S. this summer, so watch for him.

After selling the first one, DICK decided to make a few changes when he built the second one. He increased the engine power to a 180 h.p. Lycoming and lengthened the fuselage one foot and increased the wingspan about 2 feet 8 inches. After NELL learned to fly this one, N182 R, he thought if he wanted any time in the Pitts, he had better build himself one, which he has done. This one is N183N, and it is identical to N182R. DICK has been generous enough to give our Chapter an exhibition of the beauty of the airplane in flight. If you see a pair of them flying together, it is just NELL and DICK out for a spin.

If you recall from a previous newsletter, I wrote a short article about DICK and his Stinson Tri-Motor. After he bought this airplane that no one else wanted, he proceeded to completely renovate it and when he was finished, it was a beauty to behold. But the frosting on the cake was when he invited the entire Chapter aboard for a sightseeing tour of the area. It was quite a treat, especially since none of us had ever seen a Stinson Tri-Motor before.

As you know, I'm always bragging about the members in our Chapter, and 99s in particular. But where else could you meet and get to know such vital, interesting people like NELL and DICK? 99s are people who are going places and doing interesting things. HAPPINESS IS BEING A 99, and a member of the CGI Chapter.



Achievement Award Winners — JOAN SCHOGER, 5th place; MARY PANCZYSYN, 7th place; EVA WHITE, 8th place; VIRGINIA COFFEEN, 6th place; MARY SHUMWAY, 1st place; GERRY KRAUSE, 2nd place; DR. SUE ROSCOE, 4th place; ALICE HAMMOND (not present), 3rd place.

## CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER Leah Warren, Reporter

Communication — I'M all for it but am sure each Reporter is like PEG—never knew how short a month was till they tried to make that 20th deadline. Chins up—just a few more months to go.

Our April meeting was at the Ramaada in Peoria. The Peoria girls have had meeting in their own area for so long, they will be glad of a change of location from here on. But attendance has been good. Fifteen members, five 49½ ers, 1 grandson, 1 prospective member, and several interested guests made up our table for lunch and the tour of the building. We have done about all we can for Sectional except bribe the weatherman.

MARTY KELLEY is back from Philadelphia. So nice to see her again.

They are not really settled but hope to make a trip West this month and when we will see them in May.

MARJORIE KELLY making use of her 182 and JANE SCHMIDT using her club Cherokee for some local trips. Hope the rest of us can get airborne soon. BETTY COMMON got off the ground for the first time is seven months with a Bell helicopter. Made her all the more anxious to have one available.

THEO SOMMER back from another trip to California and still has reason to make at least one more. Daughter is back in Illinois now though, so that reason is lost.

IRENE SMITH busy enjoying her three year old grandson who is with her for an indefinite stay. Gave him his first trip at five weeks but not sure he wants one at the age of three. Guess I'll loan her this six year old grand-daughter. She can't get up enough.

EULA SCHMIDT and hubby are on world-wide trip of several weeks. With such a full schedule, not sure they will have time to even check on flying in other lands.

## CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER Virginia Roth, Reporter

Our Achievement Award Dinner was held at Moran & Calvin, Hillside, Ill., March 18th. An outastanding dinner and evening was planned by Committee Chairman LOUISE KOKESH and Co-Chairman TONI TEIBER and VIRGINIA COFFEEN. It was well organized, good food, and the decorating & flowers were lovely. A real good turn-out and know everyone was most appreciative. Thanks girls

for a job well done! DR. SUE ROSCOE started the program with a welcome to the Chicago Area Chapter girls and 491/2 ers. DR. ANNE ROETHKE of Milwaukee, Mis., Governor of the North Central Section, Presented "99" pins to 15 new members and officially welcomed in 9 491/2 ers. LOUISE KOKESH was presented a Past Chairman Pin by EVA WHITE. Selected for outstanding achievement in aviation during 1966, eight top contestants received trophies from LOIS SEKETA of Lombard, former Governor of the North Central Section. First place winner MARY SHUMWAY, a close second GERRY KRAUSE, third ALICE HAMMOND (who has moved to Millville, N. J.), fourth SUE ROSCOE, fifth JOAN SCHOGER, sixth VIRGINIA COF-FEEN, seventh MARY PANCZYSYN, and eighth EVA WHITE. Congratulations to you all! Following the awards, RICK and DICK COOLEY showed a movie on their Alaskan Trip. The film was spectacular (many shots taken from their Skymaster with RICK at the controls), and several of RICK hunting with bow and arrow with targets such as moose and caribou. What a shot! How can anyone person be so talented? Being a fishing enthusiast myself, was awed at RICK'S casting ability (a salmon with every cast). A great thrill and thanks for sharing with us your great film on Alaska.

Really think WILLIE DYE acquired the most ratings this past year. A lot of hours and concentration went into achieving her Private — March, 1966, Instrument — August, Instrument Ground Instructor — September, Commercial—November, Instrument Flight Instructor — February, 1967, and working on 2 more ratings. That a gal! She's instructing at Roselle now and loving every minute of it.

GINNY KRAFT and her 49½ er DUTCH celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary with a well deserved month's vacation in Hawaii. Flew their plane to San Francisco and embarked from there by ship to the islands. They had a wonderful time and DUTCH took several rolls of movies. NONA and SKIP GUSTAFSON were there also at the same time and were disappointed they couldn't locate the KRAFTS. Understand that NONA took a picture of a tree planted by Amelia Earhart.

We're finally getting a break in the weather (after a long bitter winter) much to the delight of our gals. So

much talk of coming events. Spring has sprung!

## GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER Nita Irwin, Reporter

It was lunch at TUL for the March fly-out with 11 members and guests. After a foggy beginning, it turned out to be a beautiful day. MARILYN DICK-SON plus 3 departed Kansas City Suburban and KAY CAIN plus 3 left from Olathe, LAURIE MONK had the longest trip, driving from Atchison to Leavenworth for a plane, then stopping at Olathe for a passenger before heading to TUL. Haven't heard from her or MARJE PARIS but assume they made it back to Atchison the same day.

A good per cent of Greater K. C. 99s came to the dedication of the Leavenworth Airport on Sunday, April 16, when it was officially changed from Sherman Army Air Field to a civilian-military field. After a feast of delicious fried chicken at CHARLIE CRAIG'S operation, the ceremonies began. Rib-

## VOTE VOTE VOTE (then MAIL it!)

bons were cut, plaques were given, and cake was eaten. In the crowd was MISS LEAVENWORTH, the Mayor, airport board members, and air force officials.

While there, ALEAH COMBS (who, by the way, has had her Instrument rating since Easter day) presided at a short meeting. Definite plans were made for air-marking at Paola-Osawatomie the second Saturday in May. Dress is optional (with or with-out paintbrush, i.e.) There will be a May meeting after all on Thursday, May 4 at the Prom 1-6:00 p.m. (We had previously reported no May meeting).

We're happy to report PAT KEE-NEY off the sick list after a week in the hospital and bed rest at home.

EETTY McNABB hitched a ride with SARAH GORELICK in her new Comanche when she was passing through MKC and having airline reservation trouble. On the way to SGF they pick-up up JOAN REINDL at Leavenworth, to meet with the Ozark Chapter and the AWTAR Beard to set up the timing 1-at SGF.

SARAH GORELICK was one of 500 who attended a Narce Radio Seminar at the Hotel Muchlbach. She was asked to pick the winner for the door prize and, you guessed it, drew her own

name. SARAH assures us it wasn't a

Antique airplanes were on display at the April Fool's Chuck Wagon held at BILL KING'S Olathe hanger. The buffet and dance was sponsored by the Kansas Aero Club. 99s attending were KAY CAIN, ALEAH COMBS, COLEEN GORDON, JOY MORRISON, ROSAMOND OLIVER, MARGARET REID and JOAN REINDL.

MARY ANN NOAH and ALEAH COMBS attended the Missouri Pilots Association all-day seminar at U. M. of K. C. Density altitude, radio, WX, and lots of other territory was covered.

It's almost time to pack for the Sectional at Peoria. In the meantime, let's hope for CAVU weather for the next fly-out which is planned for SGF.

P.S. You can support the Powder Puff Derby by buying the gummed s'amps we've told you about. Write to ALEAH COMBS, 4726 Skyline Drive, Mission, Kansas, 66205, and send one dollar for each sheet you need.

## GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER Amy Laws, Reporter

We in St. Louis have growing pains for sure but these are the kind that feel good! Our membership is increasing by leaps and bounds, and as a former Membership Chairman, who used to know EVERYONE, we find it had to remember all the new names. Three new girls were voted in at our March meeting, held at LOR-ETTA SLAVICK'S home; — MARY LOWE, JEAN REUSSOW, and LORNA JAMES. Since previously welcomed LORNA in April, may we extend a hearty welcome now to MARY and JEAN?

LORNA JAMES is our young pilot, who so impressed VIOLA GENTRY at our installation luncheon last Fall, that she (VIOLA) sent a 99 pin as a gift. VIOLA is a 99 Charter Member and she said she wanted to do this as her little bit to show admiration and encouragement to our newer members." So when Chairman VAL JOHNSON pinned LORNA, it was with VIOLA'S present.

LAURA SELLINGER was co-hostess at the meeting which feathered an interesting program by DON MILLER, St. Louis policeman who is the trafficop' for local radio station KSD. DON flies in a helicopter daily, checking, and reporting traffic to listeners. Also attending that night was guest HELEN POOLER, from Pacific, Mo.



RUTH TAKSEL, Greater St. Louis Chapter, shown loading rummage into Bonanza prior to flying it to St. Clair, Mo. Annual 99 rummage Sale held at St. Clair, Mo. on March 30, 31, and April 1.

who flies from both Pacific and St. Clair, Mo., airports. HELEN is a potential member.

Our April meeting scheduled for April 22nd at Highland, Ill., hostesses, BETTY WILLISTON and MERLE FRAME, who will see that our group learns all about soaring. Demonstrations rides will be given in their Soaring Club's gliders.

KIT HEACOCK is really caught up with her new love-aerobatics. Grounded for a spell because of an operation, KIT is at it again with her 49½er, GENE. They were out at Carrollton, Ill. this past Sunday with a few other enthusiasts, putting their planes through the paces. During the week, KIT can be found at Lambert Field, where she has added Link Trainer Instructor to her Instrument teaching.

Another busy member is MILDRED JAMES, who reports she recently checked out in, and flew a 206 Super Skywagon to Anderson, Ind. Turns out the plane was delivered for use as an ambulance plane there.

Can't keep a Californian away from there — GEORGIA KNOWLTON recently flew out with her family and went flying at her old stamping grounds, Fullerton. They even flew in a Fairchild FT 22- a 1932 model. We are sure it was all fun, but we are glad she is back with our Chapter.

RUTH LAKE and 49½er, ED, no sooner came back from a trip in a Cessna 310 to the Bahamas in February, than they took off again for a fast week-end in Las Vegas, Nevada!

RUTH TAKSEL'S picture and an article on her 0/0 flight in the Wren were featured in, of all magazines, "GOLF and TRAVEL." Ever busy, RUTH, is knee deep in plans for an exciting new adventure. She and 49½ er, NATE, will be dealers for the Aero Commander Company in the St. Louis area. Last week RUTH went down to Albany, Ga., and flew home the first demonstrator—a brand new Aero Commander 200. Congratulations to the TAKSELS in their new venture.

Our annual Rummage Sale held at VAL JOHNSON'S in St. Clair, Mo., was an unprecedented success - receipts were double last year's. There was so much rummage donated by the local Chapter and their friends that the sale lasted three days, and involved a lot of ferrying, both in planes and by car. Members who helped work the sale were MARY JANE McKILLIP, SUE MATHEIS, JANE NOYES, NOR-MA BRAUCH, GRACE COVYEAU, JEAN LENNERTSON, RUTH TAKSEL, MARGARET WALSH, LORNA JAMES, JAN POCOCK, MARILYN HOFFMAN, and AMY LAWS. VAL went 'beyond the call of duty' and fixed fabulous meals for the workers - things like beef Strogonoff and turkey, no less.

So far, only entrants in this year's

Powder Puff Derby are RUTH TAKSEL and VAL JOHNSON — they plan to fly VAL'S Bonanza.

KIT HEACOCK'S still taking applications for the Sky Lady Derby (Ft. Worth, Texas — June 22nd impound.)

See you all in Peoria at the N. Central Sectional, May 5th.

## JNDIANA CHAPTER Delia Sanders, Reporter

On February 14th at the monthly dinner of the Indianapolis Aero Club, the Dee Nicholas Trophy was presented by DOROTHY SMITH, our current Chapter Chairman and last year's winner of the award, to MILDRED (MID) CASSIDY as outstanding pilot of the year 1966 MID, Secretary of the Indiana Ninety-Nines and also of the Aero Club, received the trophy for her various activities in aviation not only in improving her skill and knowledge of aviation but as one who has helped in so many ways, day by day, to champion the fact that there is always an active place in aviation for women.

The Indiana FAIR Race Board met at the Eloomington Airport in March with the Chamber of Commerce and the Monroe County Pilots Association to start the ball rolling for next October's race. Ninety-nines who attended were: MURIEL DYKEMA, NOLA KEIL, BILLY SMITH, ROENA MILAN, and PAULINE GENUNG, from the Aeronautics Commission - LARRY CREEK-BAUM. The Board was enthusiastically



MID CASSIDY receiving Dee Nicholas Trophy from DOROTHY SMITH.



Members of the Iowa Chapter flew in from all over the state to welcome television and movie star SUSAN OLIVER, when she arrived in Des Moines on a nation-wide flying tour for the Easter Seal campaign. The Iowa Chapter hosted a luncheon in honoor of SUSAN, who is a member of the Santa Monica Chapter and presented her with an official Ninety-Nine flight bag. Those appearing in picture above are left to right, front row: KITTY HACH, LOIS GRANGE, LEN HUNT, MARY JO PETERSON, SUSAN, — Back row BERNICE MALLOY, LINDA ALBERTY, SHIRLEY HART-MAN, BEA JOBE, IRENE GRIFFITH, BERT JOHNSON, BETTY JOHNSTON.

welcomed to the chili-supper-meeting and found that this group is really excited about the October 21, race and the accompanying airport dedication.

DORIS (DODIE) POWERS, daughter of MILDRED HURT, recently received a Private pilot license from the French Aviation Office in Paris, France. She has held a Private and an Instructor's rating in the U. S. for quite some time and she will be well-remembered by the Indiana and El Paso Ninety-Nine Chapters.

VIRGINIA BROWN and husband, BROWNIE, were thrilled when the bill, he originated to get tax-free all public-privately owned airports in Indiana, was passed this year in the legislature. Action was started on this bill six years ago and finally passed this session. Since they own Sky King Airport at Terre Haute, this was quite a

help to them.

GARNET MOGLE and 49½er, flew to Waukeegan, Illinois to visit their daughter and family. The center of attraction there seems to be an 8 month old grandson, a future pilot we hope.

A nice note from ESTELLE ADKINS reports that she, 49½er, "DOC" and son CHARLES recently returned from a Florida vacation. Charles, having served in the army and then graduated from the University of Kentucky, is now teaching in Indianapolis.

CARL and MURIEL DYKEMA recently flew to Bimini, then to Nassau, San Juan and a little island hopping to St. Kits, Nevis, and St. Thomas. They found the islands charming, weather beautiful, Baron performing quietly and efficiently, 5 hour flight nonstop from San Juan to Fort Lauder-

dale. They found it a challenge to land at Nevis 300 ft. paved (?) and 1000 grass and a stop sign meaning just that!

FERN RINKER has returned from a vacation in Florida which she took after her retirement from GMC in Anderson. With a service record of over 33 years, she deserves many happy days ahead. May you always pick a winner, FERN!!!!

BETTY NICHOLAS and 49½ er TED are taking a flying vacation in their new Cessna 150 the end of June which will include a trip to Expo 67 in Montreal.

PEG COULTER'S son, JOHN, returned from service in the Far East on January 9th and was married to a girl from Missouri on January 15th. He is now stationed at Antigo, Wisconsin.

VIRGINIA and NEWELL MAGGART recently returned from a 3 month stay in West Palm Beach, Florida. They also spent some time in the Grand Bahamas. Being the proud owners of a new custom made house trailer, they anticipate many more winters in the south.

BETTY and ELLIOTT KAYE-SMITH with two friends flew their twin Comanche to St. Louis and Ames, Iowa. It was the first flight for one of their passengers. After showing of aviation film sponsored by Utility Airplane Council at Pierceton High School, four students are now in ground school, 2 flying and one already soloed. Lets hope that these boys will, in turn, influence some of their gal friends into the field of aviation.

On Friday, March 17, EETTY DE BAUN, flying a Cessma 172 and MARCIA REYNOLDS, flying a Beech Bonanza went on a strictly fun cross country with rendevous at Seymour, Indiana and Lawrenceville, Illinois. Enroute there was much communication on 122.9 reporting position and weather. Next scheduled flight - Decatur and Mattoon, Illinois.

See you at the FAIR in October!

## IOWA CHAPTER Mary Lou Ballensky, Reporter

Well, this has been a busy month for the Iowa Chapter! On Saturday, March 18th, thirteen 99s and one guest flew to Des Moines Municipal to lunch with two special guests at Johnny and Kay's Lounge. One was DEE MASTELLER, from Oklahoma City. She is project-co-ordinator and writer for the Aero-Commander Corporation.

The other guest of honor was SUSAN OLIVER, lovely TV and movie personality, and a 99, as well! Des Moines was one of nine cities on her scheduled trip promoting the sale of Easter Seals.

Our regular monthly meeting was held on April 9th, at Bloomfield, Iowa, with SHIRLEY HARTMAN as hostess. The new concrete strip is lovely, but currently surrounded by mud, and allows for no cheating with a nasty 26-knot crosswind. After two unsuccessful attempts to set the Cessna down and a hairy little side-ways flight skimming over the mud, the BALLENSKYS decided to head for home to give our "guardian angel" a well-deserved rest. Shortly thereafter, the wind made an abrupt change straight down the runway! Nuts!



Four other 99s did arrive via car and low-winged planes. Along with the HARTMANS and several 49½ ers, two guests were in attendance. One was RUTH SWANSTROM, the new Iowa Flying Farmer Queen and a licensed pilot, and the other was VIOLA DUFFIELD who is ready for the All-Important Check-Ride.

Chairman LOIS GRANGE presided over the meeting and urged all to make a special effort to hop over to Peoria for the Spring Sectional. PHYL-LIS BARBER presented an invitation from the "CID Section IEEE" to attend their meeting at the Cedar Rapids Town House, April 18. ED HATTEN-DORF of Collins Radio Company will present a program on current usage of Category II and Category III landings.

Another invitation was forthcoming from SHIRLEY HARTMAN who announced that the local Channel 3 TV station wants to do another program with women flyers and skydivers the night of April 20th. Gee, fellas, 9:30 p.m. is past our bedtime, or rather, flying time! Next time, can't you try for 9:30 A.M., when we flyers are out flitting?

Well, that's it and if we make it to all those meetings, spring housecleaning will be late again for the "99 couches" in Iowa!

### MICHIGAN CHAPTER Mary Pelto, Reporter

The April showers kept the Michigan girls on wheels or just plain at home. Only thirty people, counting the guests, showed up in Owosso for the meeting. IOLA PARDONNET was hostess. GEORGE BORDERS, manager of the Detroit Willow Run Weather Bureau, was the guest speaker. His wife, DORIS, attended the meeting, too. Strange, how the weather improved later in the day!

HELEN COOKINGHAM, from Flint, became a 66.

SALLY FRISCH, guest of ALICE DAVIS, was at the meeting, too.

We've got a few 99s on the move again. ANNE and BILL, her 49½er, STEINHAGEN, are leaving for two or three years with GM in Australia. ANNE plans to continue her flying and will be contacting the Australia Section girls upon arrival. As a result, we needed a new Secretary. NAOMI WEITZMAN, Lansing, graciously offered to fill in for ANNE.

DOROTHY REAUME, just back from a year on the S. S. Hope, is leaving for Malaya to work with Medico.

MARGARET NAPIERALA retired from Michigan Bell on April 4th. No immediate plans, other than doing the things one can't do when working.

NORMA ETTER and family took a vacation and were to go to Evansville, Ind., Houston, Texas, Florida, and the

Bahamas. We haven't seen them since—maybe they're still down there, stuck in the sun and sand.

B and BOB STEADMAN airlined to Edmontson, Alberta, Canada, for a speech to the Flying Farmers of Alberta. Met 99 ELEANOR BAILEY and husband BILL. Had a great time.

Incidentally, B is going to judge the Intercollegiate Flying Meet in Carbondale, Ill., May 11 - 13th.

ALICE DAVIS will be leaving April 25 for 8 days in London, a boat trip down the Rhine, 2 days in Switzerland, back to London and Boston with her husband, LES. They'll spend some time there visiting LES' family and then back home.

PAT RUSSELL has been commuting from New Hampshire to Detroit to supervise the make-up of the models in a film produced by Henning and Cheadle for Beauty Counselors.

NAOMI WEITZMAN earned her Commercial rating in January and her Ground Instructor rating in February of this year.

MARIAN HOFFMAN reports that grandchild number 7 arrived 2 weeks ago.

We were saddened to hear of the death of AUTRIE LEHR just two days before our meeting, AUTRIE LEHR was a good friend of the Michigan Chapter girls and we know a real active 99 in the All Ohio Chapter. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to all who mourn her passing.

Remember to use the Amelia Earhart Film. If you want to use it, contact HELEN WETHERILL, C/o Henning and Cheadle, Inc., 10000 Greenfield Road, Detroit, Michigan, 48227. The cost is \$10.00 for rental, plus cost of sending by parcel post, special handling, and insured.

Don't forget the SMALL race. October 7, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Start planning for it now. MARY CLARK, Chairman, reports that it's going to be a good one. Opening day for entries will be July 10th and closing, September 19. We're limited on the number, so get yours in early.

### MINNESOTA CHAPTER Florence Robinson, Reporter

It was an evening of real fun at our March meeting where we did a lot of talking about the little flying we have been able to do this winter. It seems that several of us have had to chop the ice away to loosen the hanger door in order to get winged chariots into the air.

SALLY SLOAN and her family have become the proud owners of a Champion Citabria. She showed us a picture of it with her children at the controls about to take off in pursuit of the "Red Baron." The rest of the family are as happy and enthusiastic as SALLY so they are probably headed for a lot of fun.

MARCI ROYCE and her husband made a flying trip to Iowa in the past month and MART has passed her written test for her Commercial rating.

Mr. PRCKOP from the District Office of Minneapolis General Aviation returned with the film "Density Altitudes." (He has been attending so many 99 meetings that he is considering sending in an application for membership.) Besides showing the film which was very interesting, he reviewed how density altitude effects the performance of our airplane engines. In addition, he showed another film from NASA on the Flight of Gemini VIII in which we saw the first docking of two vehicles in outer space.

Six girls from our special project were guest for our program. They reported that the drapes are finished and they have invited us to hold our next meeting in their club room, at Holman Field.

As of this month's meeting, we have KAREN JUNGQUIST as a member. KAREN holds the following ratings in addition to her private license: Commercial Instructor, Instrument, and Instrument Instructor, Single Engine Land and Sea. She is a flight instructor at the University of Minnesota at present, but has recently returned from Africa where she had been teaching flying.

KAREN and SALLY are discussing the possibilities of finding a qualified airplane and a sponsor for entering the Powder Puff Derby. There were some suggestions from the group so we are hoping they will be able to make connections and Minnesota will have representatives in the race.

## OZARK CHAPTER Velma Hite, Reporter

OZARK CHAPTER continues to rustle the papers trying to make Springfield a "Derby Stop" that none will want to miss. HAZEL MATZ was guest on a local radio station March 17 as a prelude to the "Trailblazers" visit March 18. MAYME BURTIN, HAZEL MATZ, and JEAN FULDNER were on

hand to greet KAY BRICK, BARBARA EVANS, and ALICE HAMMOND. Also attending were SARAH GORELICK and MARY JOAN REINDL of the Greater Kansas City Chapter. SARAH and MARY JOAN are official timers for the Derby stop. Numerous other people who will assist in the stop were present and a great big thanks to all—we couldn't make it without you!

MARY ELLEN McCLERNON, the young one of our group is ready to take her Commercial check ride. Easter week-end foot surgery han't halted her flying — good luck MARY ELLEN.

VELMA HITE and 49½ er flew to visit son DALE at Columbus Missouri University and are now making plans to fly to Colorado Springs to visit son MIKE at the Air Force Academy.

We welcome new member BETTY LOU WADDELL. BETTY is living in Springfield with her young son, while 49½ er MARION is over seas in Uncle Sam's service.



## ALBUQUERQUE CHAPTER Georgia Tillery, Reporter

The Albuquerque Chapter had a very successful breakfast at the West Mesa Airport, on the morning of April 16, with more than a hundred attending.

Plans are progressing on activities for the Race Stop this summer with all looking forward to as much fun as two years ago!

There were 15 at the last meeting with RANDI SUTHERLAND, and two new members were welcomed, BEVERLY MURPHY and JANICE BISHOP; MEG GUGGOLZ of Santa Fe is our next hostess (maybe she has plans for more work in the way of air marking like she did the last time.)

We will be hosts for the Fall Sectional and plans are well under way for it. Remember the dates: September 29-30 and October 1.

MEG GUGGOLZ was our only representative to the Spring Sectional in Tulsa but we believe she enjoyed it enough for all of us.



Albuquerque 99 Chairman, ELIZABETH HAWES, Albuquerque Zonta President, DOROTHY RICHARDS, and MRS. MURIEL EARHART MORRISSEY, sister of Amelia Earhart, during banquet in Albuquerque honoring the late aviatrix. They are shown by model plane belonging to LILY SANDOVAL, used in decorations. (Albuquerque Tribune Photo by Walter McDonald).

## ARKANSAS CHAPTER Marguerite Nielsen, Reporter

The Arkansas Chapter is most pleased with the job done by our Chairman, DONNA HALE, on our April Fly In at Adams Field in Little Rock. The meet was a huge success, with twenty-eight girls flying in from throughout Arkansas, Shreveport, and Memphis. GERRY BAKER of Wynne took the first place spot landing trophy when she dropped her 172 within ten feet of the touchdown strip despite adverse winds. Second place went to HELEN HEWITT of Shreveport flying a Bellanca. Third place went to HELEN WRAY of Shreveport flying a Comanche, Arkansas Chapter feted the pilots at a luncheon at the Top Of The Rock where trophies were presented. Among the winners of door prizes were MARY STANLEY, POLLY DUNCAN, and CHRIS BROWN, all members of Memphis Chapter. Our own RUTH McADAMS flew back from a wedding just in time for this meet, "Fairlady Follies."

Arkansas welcomes two new members; PAM STOWALL of Little Rock and SHIRLEY BOGGESS of Coy.

DELORES MITCHELL and 49½ er have been keeping the airways hot between Sallisaw and the horse track. Last weekend, DELORES' horse won \$295. and BOB'S horse, \$6,000. DELORES is getting a little preoccupied lately. I think she's working on an airworthy horse trailer to hitch to her Debonair.

MARGE NIELSON flew to Gore to spend the day with prospective 99 HILDEGARDE BENNETT. It was a most enjoyable day, spent in flying with HILDEGARDE in her brand new 150. They did land at Siloam Springs just long enough for lunch. HILDEGARDE is working toward a Commercial. She has recently passed the written.

SALLIE SIMMONS and MARGE NIELSEN have some big plans for this weekend. That's right, it's the South Central Sectional in Tulsa. Hope to see you all there.

## DALLAS CHAPTER Hazel H. McKendrick, Reporter

It was paint slinging time again and the airport was Gainsville, Texas. The following hale and hearties turned up and according to our Air marking Chairman, EETTY HUNDLEY did a fine job. BEV TAYLOR, DOROTHY WARREN, MARTHA ANN READ-ING, JO ALLISON, CINDY MORRISS. PEG ONG, DEE LOWE, LIL TAFEL, MARY KITCHENS, POLLY GIBSON, SUE ANDREWS, and 491/2 ers POSEY HUNDLEY, HAROLD TAYLOR, BOB TAFEL, BOB LOWE, LEE KIT-CHENS, JOHN GIBSON, and GEORGE ANDREWS. BETTY HUNDLEY awarded with a painter's party that night. HERB FISHER was in town and came to the party and a big time was had by all.

Our last meeting was a dinner meeting followed by a wonderful program. STU MADISON, Chief Experimental Test Pilot for LTV was our speaker and he talked about test flying and then showed films on the spin program of the F 111. He also had films on the VTOL. All together it was a wonderfully interesting and informative meeting.

KATHY LONG and MARGE MITCHELL flew the Mobil Gas Economy run in their Bellancas. They also flew the Midland Air Race with MARGE taking 1st and Kathy in 2nd spot right behind her. How 'bout that!

SUE and GEORGE ANDREWS and ELINOR flew off to Florida in their Cessna 170. EDNA WRIGHT just flew in from Hawaii, but I believe she used the big silver bird for her flight.

CHARLOTTE BRANUM, DOROTHY WARREN, CINDY MORRIS, and HAZEL McKENDRICK flew to Oklahoma City for a visit to 99 Headquarters, the FAA Academy, and stores, in CHARLOTTE'S Bonanza. Friday found the girls in Tulsa for the Sectional meeting. PEG ONG and JIM came in their Mustang 105 PEG and brought BETTY HUNDLEY. About midnight, PAT JETTON came in via Airlines and we were all in our seats for the meeting Saturday morning. See the Sectional report.

## EL PASO CHAPTER Mary Olmstead, Reporter

A most cordial welcome to our newest member, MARY BESS CLAYTON. MARY BESS (MRS. RALPH S.) is a native of Fort Worth, Texas but lived in Mississippi during her high school and college days. She majored in Music Theory at Blue Mountain College and it was there, on June 10th, that she met DR. RALPH S. CLAYTON, who had returned from military

duty in Japan. They were married that August 27th.

Four boys and two girls later, DR. RALPH took up flying and had his ticket by Nov. 1963 and within the year, he made arrangements MARY BESS to start her lessons. She soloed in October 1964 and fourteen months later. she had her license. MARY BESS said she was so scared during her flying lessons that when her instructor told her to look out the side window - she told him "No. you look." On the day she soloed, she said she found out what it felt like to have "your blood turn to icewater." However the icewater in her veins did not prevent her from completing two successful TO's and L's that day, and since then many cross-country flights are behind her. She is now checked out in a 182.

Here are the six reasons MARY BESS has to fit her flying with family duties: STUART, 18, attends University of Texas at Austin, SUZANNE, 16 this month, is ready to solo on her birthday; THOMAS, 14, attends New Mexico Military School at Roswell, JAMES, 13, Williams, 10, and BARBARA, 4. When SUZANNE gets her license, THE CLAYTONS will have the crew and the passengers to fill a small-size airliner!

ELLEN JANE ANDERSON, International Flying Farmer Queen, has been winging her way across the Southwest - attending State Conventions at Goodyear, Arizona; Holdrege, Nebraska and Houston, Texas. On one of her visits to her home in El Paso, she entertained four Flying Farmers from Stuttgart, Arkansas including IFF President, JIM OLIVER and his wife.

KAY BOND reports that a member of the Albuquerque Chapter has moved to Las Cruces. (I goofed—can't remember her name) Hope KAY brings her to our next meeting.

LELA CARWARDINE flew to Los Alamos for a Family Reunion and an Easter Holiday.

WANDA GARSON'S flight to Columbus, Ga., ended in Dallas, due to unkind weather. She and son, KIRK, flew back home. Her 49½er, JOHN, flew commercial to Columbus-barely arriving in time for his meeting with business associates.

VIRGINIA and 49½ er DAN PETER-SON, with some friends as passengers, flew to Corvallis, Oregon, to attend a ballgame at Oregon State College.

MARY FRAN SEIDL flew her fam-

ily to Cameron County Arpt. for an Easter visit with former El Pasoans at Los Fresnos. Besides the Border Patrol School with their hosts, the ROGER BUSHNERS, they went surfing (both water and sand) on Parde Island.

MARY FRAN just returned from attending Tulsa's Sectional meeting. She said she enjoyed renewing friendships with the wonderful Ninety-Nines from the Houston Chapter who were so good to her last summer when she was attending summer school there. WANDA GARSON occupied MARY FRAN'S co-pilot seat and attended her first Sectional. Leaving Tulsa, they had 47 knot winds-so gassed up at Oklahoma City and Lubbock. RUTH DEERMAN and WIN GRIFFIN made a total of four representing El Paso at the Sectional. Our Chairman, MAR-GARET THOMPSON, was unable to go due to the arrival of the first grandchild - a 6 lb. 4 oz. girl. Congratulations, Grandparents!

The OLMSTEADS flew to Austin

## How 'bout flyin' a RACE with an INTERNATIONAL MEMBER as Co-Pilot ? ? ? ?

and spent three very busy days in the class room and in the sky during NOEL'S refresher Instrument Course taught by the TOP instructors of AOPA, NANCY BRUMLOW of High Sky, Chapter, was one of these instructors. FRED MORGAN, Retired Colonel USAF, was another. His wife, HELEN is a member of Sacramento Valley Chapter. ARTHUR ZACCARDI, a former New Jerseyite, was our Flight Instructor. Imagine being 22 and having taught over 600 hours of Instrument Instructions.

Our last meeting was a very successful pot luck supper at the lovely new GARSON home. Besides WANDA, JOHN and son, KIRK, those attending were Chairman MARGARET and BILL THOMPSON, JUANITA and TEX BURDICK, JEAN BYARS and her escort student pilot, R. A. TER-RAZAS, RUTH and CHARLIE DEER-MAN, WIN GRIFFIN (who was presented a gift for her work with Ninety-Nines), VIRGINIA and DAN PETER-SON, MARY FRAN and HANK SEIDL, BETTY ROGERS, NOEL OLMSTEAD, and your reporter.

We understand that JAN BRYANT

of High Sky Chapter now lives in El Paso. But where? The Telephone Co. tried to help-but both BOB and ROBERT ERYANT have unlised phones so, JAN, if you haven't already called someone in our Chapterplease do—soon!

## FORT WORTH CHAPTER Anita Reilly, Reporter

The April meeting of the Fort Worth Chapter of 99 was held on Saturday, April 10, at the Wren Aircraft hanger, Mecham Field.

Members, husbands, and friends were the fortunate guests of the President and Vice-Pdesident of Wren Aircraft, MR. PICKERING and "DOC" MOR-RIS. Attending were BRENDA STRICK-LER, and 491/2 er FRANKLIN, EDNA GARDNER WHYTE, (Ceal) ORPHEN-HEN, BETTY JO PARSONS, and 491/2 er JOE ED. VIVIAN WHITE and 491/2 er DONALD, MARY KAHAK and 491/4 er GEORGE, ANITA REILLY and 491/2-AL, NADINE, WISE, VERNA STUBBS, RUTH RENTON and guest SHIRLEY WESTBROOKS from Wichita Falls, EETTY ALLISON and guests FRANCES and GILBY GIBSON. 99 hostess HELEN MORRIS and 491/2 er "DOC" showed an orientation film which helped answer the many questions we asked about the Wren, and how it would perform under different conditions. Next, we were escorted through the modification areas of the Wren factory, and the special features of the aircraft explained.

All members were given a demonstration of the Wren's short take-off (less than 300 feet) and slow speed patrolling (45 MPH at 50 ft. altitude) abilities. Each demonstration included an approach and landing made with Wren's new Beta-control system reversible pitch propeller with landing roll limited to 100 feet. The demonstration concluded with the Wren backing into its parking slot in front of the plant by using the Beta prop in reverse pitch.

We are inviting everyone to attend the forthcoming Texas National Air Races to be held on May 12, 13, 14, at Luck Field.

## HOUSTON CHAPTER Martha Akins, Reporter

The April meeting was held at the Continental Houston Hotel. This was a real fun meeting, lots of business, and the final touch was the viewing of the film "The Stamp of Friendship." This copy was purchased by MR. AND MRS. CHARLES HOOKS for \$125.00 and will



Recent visit to the Wren factory by members of the Ft. Worth Chapter.

be presented to the University of Texas film library in memory of their son DAVID WAYNE HOOKS. This presentation will be made by BLANCHE NOYES, Charter 99 from the Washington D. C. Chapter, at the David Wayne Hooks Airport dedication May 7.

MABLE EDITH OLIVER, Air Marking Chairman, reports the completion of two more Air Markings — Brenham and Pearland. Two more are scheduled — Center and Liberty. Congratulations go to MARY JANE NORRIS for her new Instrument rating.

April 2, we had a very successful "Penny-a-Pound" ride at Spaceland Airport taking up 457 people. The Petticoat Pilots sold hot dogs during the Penny-a-Pound as well as helping with various chores.

The Houston Chapter brought home the attendance trophy from the South Central Sectional in Tulsa. Everyone had a wonderful time. These Tulsa girls really went all out to make us welcome. We are looking forward to having everyone in Houston Spring 1968.

## KANSAS CHAPTER Mildred Early, Reporter

Just returned from the Sectional at Tulsa and our hats off to the Tulsa 99s for a wonderful time! Our Chapter had 13 Ninety-nines and seven 49½-ers and one guest there. Our Chairman, MARILYN COPELAND, presented the attendance trophy to the Houston Chap-

ters at the banquet. The new Topeka Chapter came in second with 100% attendance, but lost out on the distance traveled. BETTY JEAN STANFORD, Chairman of the Topeka Chapters, accepted their Charter on March 18th from Vice-President, DONNA MYERS. Governor ARLENE WALKUP also attended, along with ten Kansas 99s and their husbands and guests. In spite of the weather, the dinner party was well attended and we are happy to have a sister Chapter in our state!

Our April meeting was held at the new Augusta Municipal Airport with 30 Ninety-Nines and 12 guests, plus several Wing Scouts present. The Wing Scouts assisted the 99's in air marking a hangar, which proved to be quite a challenge in 40 knot winds! Because of the high winds, only one of our 99's was brave enough to take her APT test. Congratulations to our first "APT Girl", GRACE CRIST of Holcomb, Kansas! Plans are under way to air mark several small towns in southeastern Kansas next month.

Two of our members are busily making plans to fly the Powder Puff Derby: PAT McEWIN in her Bonanza and JOYCE FUNSCH in a Debonaire. Congratulations are in order for JOYCE, too, as she has been honored by being nominated by the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority as one of the "Outstanding Young Women of America!" A book is published annually which gives the backgrounds and biographies of the young

women for their activities in business and civic affairs. MARY AIKINS is also busy planning to participate in several air shows around the country this summer.

Please join us in extending a warm welcome to the following new 99's in our Chapter: WILMA ADAMSON, BEA POLING, BETH HALL, JAN RIORDAN, MARY LEE GEBHART, ELEANOR KNOTT and OLIVE KEMPER, all of Wichita; and, LOUISE ROBINSON of Garden City, and IDA SCHLITTER of Hays! We have eight more girls who are eligible for balloting.

As I mentioned in the last letter, we regret losing GENE NORA and BOB JESSEN, but wish them much happiness in their new home and venture as a Beechcraft Dealer in Boise, Idaho. Their new address is: MR. and MRS. L. R. JESSEN, 2814 Cassia, Boise, Idaho 83705.

## NEBRASKA CHAPTER Lois B. Durham, Reporter

Saturday, April 1st, found the 99's out in strength participating in Nebraska Centennial Days at Lincoln. As usual, the weather played tricks and the handsome Thunderjets had to stay on the ground, however, JOHNNY CARSON and several 99's managed to land and the day at the airport was quite a success.

Twenty-one 99's were on hand, and although CATHERINE MARSH was in Des Monies for a church meeting, she sent the good DOCTOR as a standin. Our new scrapbook was on display, as was the hand that shook the hand of JOHNNY CARSON (yes, Evelyn!).

Bits and bites - JEANNE GIVEN passed her flight check and is now a full-fledged Instructor, and SHIRLEY AMEN is very close to the 200 hour Commercial. HELEN ERHLICH has changed occupations and has talked her new boss back into the air. HELEN acted as an assistant hostess for the Mail Plane Festival (the reenactment of the night mail flight) and has taken over the Nebraska Civil Air Patrol Public Relations Officer position. One of our newest 99's, HELEN SELLEN-TIN, presented 49½ er JERRY with a future 99, and FLORENCE BOR-ING, our Chairman, reports she is feeling fine after surgery at Bryan Hospital.

JAN MUNKRES has been in Brownsville, Texas on a visit, and JAN HEINS tells us she has been working at Clarkson Hospital in Omaha in the surgery section. We also hear that

VERDAYNE MENZE has been under the weather.

Haven't heard about the Tulsa Sectional, but hope our group got through the weather. Plans are in progress for several Centennial celebrations locks like this summer will be busy.

## OKLAHOMA CHAPTER Comanche Jane Abbott, Reporter

Oklahoma Chapter's Flight Clinic, March 12, can be reported as 'very successful.' The weather was in the best form for practice-flying, that Oklahoma has enjoyed for several weeks - CAVU for the interim. Eighteen members and three guests signed in, and broke for lunch at the new Will Rogers World Airport terminal. They were served the airlines tray special (TWA sampling, perhaps?) which had been arranged by 99 NANCY ORCUTT.

The Annual Proficiency Test - the first to be held in the South Central Section — is an upgrading program to 'help keep women fliers proficient in their skills and to aid them in recognizing their own limitations." The clinic provided every one the opportunity to ride with a qualified instructor. Seventeen lady pilots were signed off: NEMA MASONHALL, ERONETA EVANS, VELIMA WOODWARD, MARY CORNELSEN, ANN CATLIN, MAR-THA THOMASON, BILLIE JO KIN-NARD, WAYNA LEA DUFFER, PAT MORGAN, AULENA GIBSON, NANCY ORCUTT. ANN GRISSOM. RUTH CRAIG JONES, IDA CARTER, and DOTTIE YOUNG who signed her own APT. Instructors were LLOYD CAT-LIN, DAVE BURROUGHS, and DOT-TIE YOUNG. ARLENE WALKUP and CAROL WADDELL acquired their APT the previous month.

SUSIE SEWELL and DOTTIE YOUNG arranged for the use of a plane and the instructors. LLOYD CATLIN provided his hangar facilities to use as headquarters for the clinic. Governor WALKUP and Chairman WADDELL are to be commended as 'parents' to this successful project. Others present at the meeting were RITA EAVES, SAUNDRA NIX, SUSIE SEWELL, BETH SMITH, and JANE ABBOTT. RITA, Scrapbook Chairman, enlisted the help of the members to sort and paste while they awaited their turn to check ride. A film, "Short Field Landings", was shown also.

ANN GRISSOM is the Chapter's newest member. WAYNA LEA DUFFER has been appointed Air Marking Chairman, ARLENE WALKUP and

CAROL WADDELL flew to Amarillo, Texas, the week-end of March 4-5 and met with members of the "Top-O-Texas" Chapter. DOTTIE YOUNG will attend the Women's Advisory Committee meeting in Washington, D.C., April 11-14. DOTTIE has attained another achievement in the aviation world the coveted Gold Seal.

The Chapter sometimes - monthlynewsletter editor, called 'Anonymous,' wants a name for this gossip sheet and has offered a prize to the member whose suggested title is chosen. THINK! And act, girls!!

The next Chapter meeting will be April 16, 10:00 a.m., Camelot Inn, Tulsa

### SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER Marian Burke, Reporter

San Antonio Chapter 99's had their monthly meeting April 8, 1967 at the Dobb's House restaurant at International Airport. We had five prospective new members present. Not all of them have their pilot rating yet but they are working hard.

Welcome to our two new members;

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MARY CSASZAR and CAROL YOUS. MARY has a Commercial with Instrument rating and works at Kelly AFB. She is a member of the Kelly Aero Club. CAROL is a military nurse at Lackland AFB and has a Private rating. She is also a member of the Kelly Aero Club. These two girls will represent Kelly AFB in the 1967 Powder Puff Derby. It will be their first race and they are real excited. MARIAN BURKE, who is the civilian chairman for air race events for the 50th Golden Anniversary for Kelly AFB, is giving the girls a helping hand on air race plans. The girls will fly a Kelly Aero Club plane.

MARIAN BURKE just returned from an interesting trip from Europe. She was gone three weeks and traveled through Germany, France, Luxemburg, Australia, Holland, Eelgium, and Iceland. She enjoyed all of the countries but said Holland and Iceland were favorites. Three weeks just isn't enough time to see each country so it only means that she is planning another trip at a later date. We will follow with the next newsletter on a

few interesting things that happened.

Our Chapter Chairman, NORMA McELVAIN won the Brook's Officers Couples Golf Tournament" April 2 . . . Good for you NORMA . . . It proves that we have people in this group that do many other things as well as fly.

BETSY HOGAN is still busy working as an executive secretary and going to night school part time. She and husband BILL are still busy with their newly acquired property at Lake Travis. That's all the news available for now . . . more next time . . . Happy Flyin'!

## SHREVEPORT CHAPTER Evelyn Snow, Reporter

The March meeting of the Shreveport Chapter was held at JERE SAUR'S lovely home on Cross Lake. After the business meeting SARAH HENLEY introduced as our program a selection of piano music by our hostess. As SARAH so charmingly observed, it is such a pleasure to have so talented a person in our group who is also so modest . . . none of us knew that JERE is an accomplished musician, working on her Master's Degree in Music!

With open wings, we welcomed our new member, ALICE (Mrs. Robert A.) STACY, at our March meeting. ALICE got into the swing of things in a hurry when she flew co-pilot for HELEN WRAY in the twin Piper to Little Rock for the annual Fair Lady Follies held by the Arkansas Chapter. BETTY BIGNER, of the Shreveport Journal, accompanied them to write up the event for the Shreveport paper. Also flying in to the Fair Lady Follies was HELEN HEWITT in her Bellanca, accempanied by Navigator - Co-pilots HAZEL NEALEY, JUDY MOORE, and EVELYN SNOW. Are you ready?

The Arkansas Gals had done it up brown

by marking a spot where we had to touch down.

With a strong crosswind blowing,

It was really no lark

To get on the runway,

Much less hit the mark!

But our two HELENS - WRAY and HEWITT.

Walked off with two trophies . . .

We knew they could do it!!

HELEN HEWITT won Second Place With a fine display of skill and grace. Third place was taken by HELEN

WRAY

A fact that really made her day.



Winners of the spot landing contest at the Fair Lady Follies in Little Rock April 5th. HELEN HEWITT, Shreveport—PEGGY BAKER, Arkansas—HELEN WRAY, Shreveport. (Photo by Betty Bigner, Shreveport Journal).

With their passengers coaching, and retractable gear

That's quite a day's work, wouldn't you say, dear?!

Please excuse the bad poetry (?) gals, but for such an unusual feat we had to do something different to tell you about it. We are really proud of our winners, and want to congratulate the Arkansas Chapter on their fine plans and thank them for a really fun day. HAZEL NEALEY and ALICE STACY each came home with a door prize to make our day complete!

We held our April meeting on April 10 at the home of Chapter Chairman JOAN CARROLL. Present were MAR-THA CHRISTY, PEGGY HARRIS. HELEN HEWITT, JENNY (new Commercial pilot) McWILLIAMS, JUDY MOORE, HELEN WRAY, SAUR, and EVELYN SNOW. While discussing what to do about our air marking plans for Lucien field, which are stalled at present, we discovered more talent in our Chapter . . . MARTHA CHRISTY earnestly quipped, "What we need is a solution for Lucien!" Ah, well . . .

The Postman finally stopped at HELEN WRAY'S to deliver news that she passed her Instrument Written Examination with the beautiful grade of 82. We're so proud of her!

DOTTIE PORTS and 49½ BUD arrived at Tulsa for the Sectional on Friday . . . they helped roll out the bar-

rell in the Great Hall of Camelot and collected a prize for being first to arrive from Louisiana. Saturday morning MARTHA and RAY CHRISTY, HELEN and CHARLEY WRAY, JOAN and DAVID CARROLL, and HELEN HEWITT and JERE SAUR all took off from Shreveport and practically flew formation to Tulsa. Trailing in last, not only from Louisiana, but also the last to arrive from anywhere was vour friendly Reporter and her 491/2 er DAN. Henceforth to be dubbed forevermore "Tail End Charlie" we guess! We were presented a bottle of champaign at the luncheon in recognition of this tremendous feat (for which thoughtfulness we are grateful to the Tulsa gals). CHARLEY WRAY, Ford dealer in Shreveport, won the door prize donated by the Ford dealer in Tulsa - that's really keeping it in the family!

All of us from Shreveport who attended the Sectional want to take this opportunity to thank the Tulsa Chapter for a wonderful time — you were marvelous hostesses and we could tell you really worked hard. We're still recuperating from hostessing the Fall Sectional, so we know . . . and when our Chairman JOAN CARROLL stood up to stretch at the business meeting just when they were asking for volunteers to hostess the next Sectional, the rest of us nearly had a heart attack! (all in fun). The entertainment proved

that Vaudeville is not dead — EDNA GARDNER WHYTE was heard lamenting the fact that no Hollywood Talent Scouts were present. And so, thanks a million for the good cheer, good friends, good food — not to mention all the other goodies — we really enjoyed "cutting a caper at Camelot"!!

### SOUTH LOUISIANA CHAPTER

Our March meeting at Fairview Plantation featured 9 members and several 49½ ers and 66s, all enjoying lovely weather and a delicious meal on the upstairs gallery of Fairview. The members not attending were plagued by sickness, business trips and such that prevented their joining us. We were especially saddened by the news of the death of JIM LaFLEUR'S father two days before the meeting.

However, convening our business meeting back at Ryan Airport, we were able to do some soul-searching on several matters of policy that our relateively new Chapter had failed to take action on previously - our 66 program, requirements for prospective 99s and 66s, etc. It was an excellent discussion period and a lot was accomplished. We also decided to order name badges for our entire Chapter and approved a mahogony plaque available to Charter Members to purchase. We voted on a proposal to buy a lovely new scrapbook and agreed to put our Minutes Book in order, including a section of memorandas for a matter of record on policies we have adopted. We discussed the Photo Contest at length and decided on an allout campaign in our individual locations to encourage participants. We are offering, in conjunction with the SHV Chapter, a weekend for two in New Orleans as our prize.

Talk about our February 26th Pilots Poker Run had come to a dead halt. Nobody is interested in that one anymore — everyone wants to know when the next one will be. TONY PAGE'S X-Country News gave us a nice writeup.

And, we've added a couple more 66s to our list: LINDA WARD, the sister-in-law of PAT WARD and GLORIA HOLMES, started taking lessons the day after the Poker Run, soloed in 20 days, with 10 hours dual. That makes it unanimous in the WARD family which consists of ROGER, PAT, BOBBY and LINDA, and GLORIA, married to a pilot. With 6 pilots in the family MAMA and PAPA WARD are never short of pilots to fly them anywhere they want to go in the family

170. The other 66 is JUNE KERN, bookkeeper at Hair Flying Service, and who soloed early in April, Husband JACK is also a pilot. Have also heard from JOANNE HENDERSON and NORMA CRAIG, both of BTR, new student pilots who wish to apply for membership in the 66 program. Understand that CAL MEREDITH is flying again, with her mended wrist and that MARGARET RUTH is almost ready for her written and checkride.

Our next meeting will be April 23rd, at New Orleans International Airport (better known as Moissant, MSY) for an FAA guided tour of the FAA radar, control and weather facilities. We hope to see our New Orleans girls there.

MOLLY STOCKWELL reports sales going great on car tags, while PAT WARD reports sales on personal rubber name stamps slow.

DEE and BILL COMEAUX took their Commercial writtens on the same day. The story was that if BILL passed and DEE didn't, he had to sleep on the couch for a month. As it turns out, they both passed, but he's on the couch anyway. Seams he made a few points higher than she did. Congratulations to them both. Maybe by the next report, we'll be able to say that GLORIA HOLMES has passed it, too.

PATSY JONES and DEE are up against the deadline for entering the IAR with still no known sponsor. We all have our fingers crossed for them.

BARBARA TEER reports that her flying activities will have to be curtailed somewhat in expectation of a new little TEER. Congratulations to her and DALE.

Ferry trips to the Cessna factory have been slow, but MOLLY, DEE and GLORIA did make one on April 4th. DEE brough back a Skyline, and GLORIA RON'd in ICT to be with 49½ er DAVE who was in "school" at Beech preparing for delivery of the new King Air that GOVERNOR McKEITHEN will be sporting soon.

The plans we had to air mark the Downtown Airport in BTR have had to be cancelled (our fight for saving the airport looks bad), but PAT CHRIST reports that we can air mark the Thangars at Houma Airport on May 13th. This will be our first. I hope they know what they're doing, letting us experiment with their facilities. Should be fun, though, and we pray for good weather.

Weather is rather a nasty word in BTR today (April 15th). Instead of sitting at home writing a report for



YVONNE RYDER, South Louisiana Chapter Charter Member, Pharmacist, General Manager of three stores. Got her BS in Pharmacy and BM in Music at Loyola in New Orleans. Member of Phi Beta Epsilon, Music Sorority, and Kappa Epsilon, Pharmacy Sorority. Started flying in 1963 to expedite business trips. Owns a Cessna 150 (4314U), has logged over 200 hours flight time, holds a Private license. Makes her home in New Iberia.

the NEWS, we had planned (since last Sept.) to be in Tulsa at the SC Section meeting. The Cessna Distributor was going to send us to ICT in a 310 to pick up a load of Skyhawks to ferry to Tulsa for the meeting and then bring them to BTR afterwards. And then the rains came . . . and more rains came! Understand we made national broadcast headlines. It is said that 1-inch of rain is equal to 5 inches of snow. We don't know much about snow, but you who do, can figure this one out: we had 12.56" of rain in a little less than 12-hours. In our muddled, rainsoaked head, this figures out to something over 5 feet - all at one time. GLORIA, MOLLY, DEE and PAT were going to go, stopping in SHV for JENNY McWILLIAMS. There was a lull in thunderstorm activity during the day of Friday, and we were going to rush to the airport and leave -which was great, except that the streets to the airport were under 4' of water in places. Water was up to

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the bellies of the Cessna 150's on the west ramp. The whole city was paralyzed, and at this writing, thousands of homes are still flooded. While we were being drowned, towns 30 miles southwest were enjoying sunshine. No rhyme nor reason! The situation is reminiscent of the aftermath of the hurricanes. It's hard to believe it's happening. All our 99s were untouched by the flood waters so far as we know. Telephone wires are out of order all over town, so we don't know for sure about a couple of them, but feel that they are alright. Purple heart goes to DEE COMEAUX'S 491/2 er, BILL, who braved 500' ceilings and everything else that goes with a squall line to fly a TV photographer to take pictures of the floods. BILL says the Purple Heart should go to the photographer. They'll do anything to get the lead on a "scoop", won't they?

We have a saying down here: "See you in the gumbo." Somehow, today, that's too near the truth to be amusing! Come meet with us: May 13 in Houma, June 10th in Hammond.

## TIP OF TEXAS CHAPTER Elaine Needham, Reporter

Hello fellow flying enthusiasts, as always, spring brings out the annual phenomenon of the nest building instinct in our little feathered friends. Well, I suspect the lowly instinct dogs even polits, especially female ones. Have you done your spring house cleaning yet? Yes? Well, then, your right in tune. Notice a yin to polish up your little tin bird in the hangar and head for the blue yonder. Yep, it's the migrating urge. Well, now that we know that we female pilots are no better than feathered pilots, we'd better get on with the news:

FRANCES BROWN just put on a gigantic rummage sale in her garage to help net more money for air marking. While FRANCES was busy with that, MERLE DUNNAM and VEDA TENNENT went scouting for rooftops for air marks. Then the air marking crew consisting of PAULINE GLASSON and ELAINE NEEDHAM went out on two consecutive weekends and did nine air marks.

We recently held flight rides in Beeville to help dedicate the new airport.

Not too long ago the local C of C sponsored a luncheon meeting and had as guest speaker, MARY DORR from the Los Angeles Chapter. Six of our local members were present at this meeting and were charmed by MARY DORR's talents.



A scene at the Charter Presentation Banquet for the newly formed Topeka Chapter.

That's about it for now except to say that PAULINE GLASSON has just installed classy black new seats covers and safety belts in one of her two tin birds. Are there biological implications here?? Nope, just necessity says PAULINE. Oh well, it could have made a good story.

Bye now.

## TOPEKA CHAPTER Ginny Maddox, Reporter

Small in number but mighty in spirit, we five new 99s received our Charter on March 18th, and were no longer Topeka's "Petticoat Pilots." Petti-Pilots was the name we chose for our group one year ago when we formed a "pilot" group to determine whether we had what it takes to be a 99 chapter. We decided we did.

Were we pleased! To present our charter came 99 Vice President DON-NA MYERS from Colorado. ARLENE

# Welcome and Congratulations to our newly formed Topeka Chapter

WALKUP, our section Governor, had said she would be here if she had to walk, and she practically did, as the weather man had blessed Topeka with solid ice for the banquet-presentation. Our many many thanks to GENE NORA JESSEN for her special encouragement and fast expedition of our charter application. Among the forty-four guests present were no less than

ten of our sponsoring Kansas Chapter from Wichita (plus four 49½ers) who presented us with a lovely gavel. Guest speaker ROGER SWANSON, Travel Editor of the "Kansas City Star," gave an interesting talk on "Vacations in the Sky."

We've been busy since March! Present at our April meeting were two Chamber of Commerce members, one of whom was the Vice President. We introduced them to our group and goals, and are already reaping their benefits. They assured us of their full support in our program to make the Topeka Airport a better gateway to Topeka and are already having a large bulletin board made for us for the Pilots' Lounge. They also invited us to join their Aviation Committee on a trip to Beechcraft in Wichita.

We were told we broke a record this weekend by having 100 per cent of our



View of the head table during the Topeka Chapter Charter presentation. Shown in the center of the picture are Kansas Chapter Chairman, MARILYN COPELAND, left, and International Vice-President, DONNA MYERS, right. Topeka Chairman BETTY JEAN STANFORD, standing.

Chapter attend the South Central Sectional meeting in Tulsa. We decided those Sectional meetings are "A-OK." Now we have to recuperate.

Please come to our Pilots' Raid on May 21st. We have a problem — small chapter, smaller treasury! It is a scavenger hunt that should be fun. Airplanes will be timed out and have three hours to go to airports of their choice to look for treasures. Free food and prizes will follow the Raid.

It's great to be aboard!

ED. NOTE — Great to have YOU too!

## TULSA CHAPTER Jean Engler, Reporter

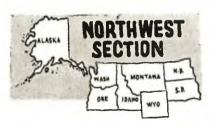
Great Day in the morning! We had such a nice turn out at our Sectional meeting. Since this was our first attempt, we're still a little wet behind the ears. Anyhoo we hope all 154 of you had as much fun as we did. Ed Note —WE DID!

Seeing past presidents EDNA GARDNER WHITE, RUTH DEER-MAN, and BRONETA EVANS certainly gave us a boost. In fact there were so many to say thanks for coming to — especially SOL SMITH, who is so talented that I personally would like to kick him, but we wouldn't have gotten far without him.

Also, three of our International gals were here, GENE NORA JESSEN,

DOONA MYERS, and DORIS REN-NINGER. HERB FISHER from New Yorkville shared our goodies too.

Just one more thing. BETTY NATION has her ATR. How about that?



## EASTERN IDAHO CHAPTER Diane Jex, Reporter

Our April meeting was at the Pocatello Airport. VIRGINIA FINKELN-BURG brought refreshments and met PAT DUKICK, LEORA BERGEVIN, and DIANE JEX. We held no formal business meeting, but discussed some of our coming events and did some hanger flying.

EMMALYN PAYNE has been instructing a ground school in Jackson, Wyoming. She had 10 students (4 of them women) and they have taken their Private written exams. We had hoped to have EMMALYN with us at our April meeting, but the Tetons were in the clouds and the weather

didn't promise to improve, so she wasn't ablt to fly to Pocatello.

PAT DUKICH and husband. MICK-EY, are planning to attend the Reno Air Races again this year. FRANCES and KEN CUNNINGTON just returned from a vacation in Hawaii.

LEORA BERGEVIN had added dressmaking to her list of accomplishments. She has studied diligently and taken many tests to earn her dressmaker's certificate.

We are all saddened by ONITA HOFF'S great loss. In January, the Hoffs lost their eldest son, Jim. ONITA'S husband, MARK, passed away in March. His death was preceded by several years of ill health. Many of you know ONITA personally, as she has been a 99 for many years; first a member of Utah Chapter and then a Charter member of Eastern Idaho, MARK and ONITA have always been enthusiastic pilots and have a flying family. They have a Cessna 120 and their own airstrip at Rainbow Ranch, which is a few miles out of Idaho Falls. They have a host of friends, all of whom have found flying is contagious when they are in the presence of the HOFF family. March also brought ONITA a new grand daughter.

We have gained another new member this month . . . ELAINE PART-RIDGE. She is a new pilot and teaches school full time. ELAINE and her husband, CLARK, own a Cherokee 180. We're very happy to welcome her into Eastern Idaho Chapter.

## EASTERN WASHINGTON CHAPTER Mary Jane Becker, Reporter

It appears that this column has been in silent mourning for having lost HELEN CRUM as Reporter. We all agreed, at our March meeting held at the Town and Country Restaurant, Spokane, that she did a wonderful job for many years. Marginal weather forced MINNIE BOYD to drive up from Pullman bringing TER-RIE BECKER. JEAN CARBON, LYGIE HAGAN, MILLIE SHINN and our new member, RENIE ANDRODE, kept ANITA HOYLE'S secretarial pen flying as we caught up on business transactions.

ALBERTA ANDERSON flew her Beech back from Phoenix just in time to attend the February Social Luncheon held at LYGIE HAGAN'S ridgetop home. At this time, MINNIE BOYD with her 49½er was winging her way to Mexico City on a British Comet via Mexicana Airlines stopping at Mazatlan and Puerta Vallarta. A cheerful Mexican guide drove them to Cuernavaca, Taxico, Acapulco, and Guadalajara. They returned to Palm Springs after visiting GERTRUDE LOCKWOOD at Carlsbad. She flew them over San Diego in her Cessna 175. MINNIE'S Cherokee was vacationing too . . . getting it's annual tuneup.

JEAN CARBON left her plane in the hanger at Bellingham and drove to the March meeting of the Western Washington Chapter in Seattle, where she received the red carpet treatment. JEAN'S new permanent address is 1540 Davie Street, Suite No. 51, Vancouver, 5, British Columbia, JEAN would be glad to hear from any visiting "99's". . . Her phone number is 681-6570. After viewing the documentary films taken of the 1966 AWTAR, she visited HELEN DEWEY, who moved there from Omak. JEAN braved blizzards to attend the January and February meetings held in PRICE PIPER'S cozy back office at Felt's Field, Spokane.

It was so nice to chat with HELEN ERNSDORFF during our last Fly-In meeting at Nolan Dakota Flying Service lounge in Yakima. HELEN left her busy office where she is instructing full time. ETHEL WICK-STROM and HELEN CRUMM treated us royally even though ETHEL had just flown in from Ellensburg in her Aztec and HELEN CRUMM was eager to go back up for her checkout in the twin. LYGIE had flown in NITA HOYLE, MILLIE SHINN, and BARBARA THISTED in the Commanche while MINNIE had flown in TERRIE BECKER and FRANCI GIB-SON. FRANCI searched in vain for a Mooney Mite. FRANCI is looking for a plane in which she will have no trouble reaching the rudder pedals.

LYGIE HAGAN got on collision course with a hawk while driving home with her mother from her place in Mexico. Luckily, it was near "GUS" and FRANCES GUSTAV-SON'S Flying Service, Fallon, Nevada so her ruffled feathers were soothed by FRAN while CORNIE was thousands of feet above happily flying their Comanche home. Every weekend finds LYGIE "under the hood" until she takes off for the Spring

Board meeting and Southwest Sectional in Phoenix which members of the Executive Board will attend. Besides winning the Manitoba Country Club Women's Golf Championship, GINNY HARPER was flying M. D.'s into remote Idaho towns and working on Her Instructor's rating, last summer and Fall.

BONNIE HENSON is home again, a proud, first time, flying grand-mother. Her first grandchild, DOUG-LAS HENSON ALLSWORTH arrived in Phoenix to her pilot daughter CAROLEE. BONNIE and CHET had been filming the West Coast of South America and also filming "Mexico's Many Faces" from their Cherokee. They have yet to do the narration and music for the latter.

KATHLEEN HITCHCOCK got a beautiful tan flying the Phoenix skies this past winter while her husband worked on his ATR down there. AN-ITA HOYLE got her tan sailing a 21 inch Victory Sailboat which she says is much like flying . . . with wind conditions to consider. BARBARA NETTLESHIP glides her Cessna 310 past BEV PAULSON'S Grandview home en route to Yakima. BEV flew her eight year old daughter over to our February luncheon in the Comanche after holding a wedding reception for her oldest daughter the night before. BOBBOE PRICE doesn't let nap time for her four year old son interfere with her flying; she just puts him in the back seat of the Super Cub or one of the Cherokee's and takes off. She has encouraged her mother-in-law MRS. TOM PRICE. SR., grandmother of seven, to work on her Private pilot's license.

GINNY RICHARDSON and RALPH have been taking turns commuting to Greece where they are using TBM's to spray the forests. She is home now working seven days a week both spraying and instructing. The last time I saw BETTY JANE SEAVEY, she was doing high flying on the ground getting her teenagers to meetings on time. That happy smile on MILLIE SHINN'S face is due to a new membership in a Mooney Club. She still plans to accompany THAD on cross country business trips but will have a plane in which to practice maneuvers and stay current.

BARBARA THISTED flew their Pacer down to Pullman to MINNIE BOYD'S November Fly-In from her

Spirit Lake newly-cleared private strip. She will be moving to San Diego, where DALE will be instructing with an old buddy after school is out. Until then, she will move into Spokane. MYRA ROEHL flew a Cessna 172 around squalls from Yakima to Pullman bringing a guest. She said it wasn't bad compared to the trip she took solo from Yakima too Oakland right after getting her Private. DR. DAVE RAHM, Professor oof Geology at WSU, showed slides and films of geological formations and mountain peaks which he took at close range from his J-3 Cub and a Cessna 172. Meanwhile the men-folk enjoyed CARL BOYD'S recreation room refreshments and facilities. CONNIE and LYGIE had to file IFR to make it bringing MILLIE and THAD while JEAN drove down with ALBERTA.

RENIE ANDRODE, our new member has passed her Commercial written and is getting ready for her checkride. It's quite a change from a 65 H. P. Luscombe to a Comanche 250, she says. Our February guest, MARY JANE APPLING, is writing a book about women in aviation . . . she has her Private and believes in promoting the female in aviation, Your reporter found herself following the road from Spokane to Pullman after our January meeting when unpredicted snow squalls reduced visibility. Thank goodness for all that instruction in slow flight! The Cessna 182 is more stable than the Cessna 172 she discovered, under adverse conditions.

#### NORTHWEST OREGON CHAPTER Kathy Elmore, Reporter

Things are rolling along at their usual rapid pace with this Chapter. It seems that most of our members have their planes in the shop for overhauls or licensing this time of year which really reduces the flying. BOBBIE HAYES led a tour of 15 planes from Hillsboro Aviation to Mexico, and a good time was had by all according to the reports.

Our February meeting was held at Henry Thiele's Restaurant on the 12th. This breakfast meeting was most enjoyable, and we were pleased to welcome MARCY and JIM WOLFARD'S guests, GLENN and JO CLARRIDGE from Santa Cruz, California. GLENN and JO have recently moved to Oregon City since GLENN, an engineer,

was transferred to this area. After the breakfast, Chairman JO-NEAL briefly went through the various items to be brought to the members attention, including a pylon race on the East Coast in which we positively expect MARCY WOLFARD and BAR-BARA DAUFEL to return home with honors, the possibility of supplying AWTAR with Oregon scenic pictures, and this Chapter's support of nominees for the International offices. This chapter is most proud too submit for nomination, our Northwest Section Vice-Governor, MARY KIL-BOURNE for the International Office of Vice-President, and recognize MARY'S executive skill and ability. BILL OWEN of the Portland Tower climaxed the morning with the showing of three films, each of interest to various members. The first film was the AOPA 180 degrees which describes and shows the approved method of coping with unexpected instrument conditions; the second film showed the role women play in the testing of aircraft instruments and navigational aids; and the third was on the subject of VASI which our instrument pilots found most interest-

Our March meeting was held on the 6th in the Pilots Lounge at Hillsboro Aviation. The majority of business was centered about this Chapter's part in the first Northwest Sec-Air-Race, BARARA DAUFEL and ARLINE BAKER are Co-Chairmen on this project, and will be working closely with the Montana Chapter. This race will be held in August, with starts in Montana and Oregon and terminating at Pocatello, Idaho, And this, girls, is all ANYBODY knows except the Co-Chairmen. Even the various committee members are in the dark as to the actual workings of the race, and it looks like the only way to find out, is to enter and fly it. It sounds like it will be fun as it will be on a proficiency basis (I think) and knowing the intricate. devious minds of BARBARA and AR-LINE, we can expect just about anything. This race, as yet unnamed, will be the first all-Section Air Race. It will be a wonderful opportunity for the Northwest Section members to get together and have a good time.

Some of our members were pleased to attend the showing of the WCBS-TV film "A Powder Puff for Joan" sponsored by the Oregon Chapter. This film was taken during the Powder Puff Derby last summer to be shown on the East Coast, and a copy was presented to the Ninety-Nines, Inc. to be circulated among the different States. A very pleasant dinner preceded the showing of this documentary at the Officers Club of Portland Airbase.

We are real happy to announce LIL-LIAN LEWIS has passed her Commercial written test with a very comfortable margin. She is just waiting now for enough clear weather to meet the requirements for her Flight Check.

BETTY PRAKKEN, JO-NEAL HAR-RIS, and BARBARA DAUFEL handled the registration at the recent Flight Instructors Seminar held at the Airbase in Portland the third week of February. In addition, several of our Chapter members attended this three day seminar and are quite enthusiastic over the great amount of information they were able to acquire. Hopefully this will become an annual event. The Seminar was sponsored by the State Board of Aeronautics and conducted by the FAA Academy from Oklahoma City. The instructors are all top personnel and know whereof they speak.

KATHY ELMORE was co-hostess at a dinner party honoring Oregon's oldest pilot, JERRY WILDMAN, February 24, at Top O'Scott. This dinner was attended by some fifty guests many of whom have been active and prominent in aviation for many years, as well as regards from some thirty more guests who were unable to attend. RALPH McGINNIS, Director of our hard-working, women in aviation-minded, State Board of Aeronautics MC'd the occasion.

Make plans for attending the Northwest Section's first Air-Race in August. There will be a good time for all, and you will be hearing more from us on this subject by mail and publication.

#### SOUTHERN OREGON CHAPTER Hope McKay, Reporter

On March 15 two Roseburg 99s, ROSE ELLISON, Chairman and HOPE McKAY, News Reporter, traveled to Portland to join other Oregon Chapter members at a dinner meeting at the Officer's Club at the Air Base. Afterwards they enjoyed the

film "A Powder Puff for Joan" produced by CBS.

March 20 followed true to form "ceiling zero" for our regular monthly meeting. ROSE ELLISON had prepared a delicious luncheon but there were only three members present to enjoy it.

Six members attended our April meeting held at the Medford Airport. GLADYS BURRILL and family of Prospect, made a gallant attempt to do some skiing at Squaw Valley but due to heavy snow were unable to get any further than Reno. FRAN CAMPBELL of Klamath Falls, recently took a Home Economics judging course in Corvallis. FRAN is our member who made our 99 attire as a money making project, proceeds to go to othe AWTAR. MAXINE PIKE and 491/2 er, of Grants Pass, spent Spring Vacation in Palm Springs via Los Angeles. All of MAXINE'S spare time is now being spent polishing up her plane for July. MRS. H. F. OS-MOND of Baldwin Park, California, mother of JEAN SHAW of Grants Pass was our charming guest.



## COACHELLA VALLEY CHAPTER Garnett Stockton, Reporter

Our most glamorous meeting was the luncheon held at the beautiful Desi Arnaz Hotel in Palm Desert. We were met at the Bermuda Dunes Airport by GAIL GLASS who was driving a "Bob Hope Classic" stationwagon. Besides working on the "Classic," GAIL is flying daily to Montgomery Field to visit her mother who is seriously ill in the Scripps Hospital.

The food at the DESI ARNEZ was delicious and believe it or not, LU-CILLE BALL sat at the adjoining table!

ILLA MAE had just flown in from Yuma, Arizona and is very busy with her ranch. in northern Calif. We heard that she made enough panning gold there to have a night on the town.

ELEANOR WAGNER was wearing a gorgeous orchid and being very secretive. We know she is working on another rating, but we don't know about the orchid.

The dedication of the beautiful new Air Terminal at Palm Springs was a huge success and our 99s were very much in evidence.

Yucca Valley has a monthly fly-in the first Saturday of each month. This is a dinner meeting and there is always a very interesting program. I have attended four of these meetings with my 49½er. They have a wonderful turnout and a lot of fun. The Yucca Valley Airport is paved, long, and well lighted. My telephone number is 714 365-2764. Be seeing YOU!

### EL CAJON VALLEY CHAPTER Dottie Sanders, Reporter

Our feet got wet on our first airmarking project at Borrego — in dry sand? It was a beautiful, warm day on March 25th. In addition to El Cajon Valley Chapter members shown in the accompanying picture, San Diego Chapter members RUTH EBEY, BETTY WHARTON, ELEANOR RICHARDSON and their prospective member, KITTY SCHIEDING, lent their much-appreciated helping hands. as well as FLORENCE FRASER'S 49\formuleer, BOB, and 24\formuleer, RODGER; IDA GAY'S 49½er, DEL, LYNN COULTHARD'S 24% ers, JOHN and KAREN, and ISABELLE McCRAE'S brother, DON GARRETT, Before we painted, we fortified ourselves with a delicious pancake breakfast hosted by the Borrego Lions Club. After a job well done, we enjoyed a swim in the pool of the "Spa" at Borrego Airport, before departing for home and lunch at Breise & Johnston Flying Service at Gillespie. (Credit for the picture goes to BETTY WHAR-TON )

FREIDA BREISE hostessed our March meeting at her home. After necessary business, slides of San Diego's Mardi Gras in February were shown by DOTTIE SANDERS, and we enjoyed the Mardi Gras all over again.

The Ninety-Nine Display at the San Diego Aerospace Museum is shaping up after another work meeting at the Museum on April 5th. 49½er, BOB FRASER was on hand with his tools and carpentry skill to help attach pictures to masonite boards. While BARBARA ALMAND sorted and arranged pictures, FLORENCE FRASER, FREDA BREISE, IDA GAY,



EL CAJON VALLEY CHAPTER Airmarks BORREGO. Back row: DORIS RITCHEY, FLORENCE FRASER, Chairman IDA GAY, Airmarking Chairman LYNN COULTHARD. Front Row: FREDA BREISE, ISABELLE McCRAE, DOTTIE SANDERS, and Publicity Chairman BOO CHRISTENSEN.

and DOTTIE SANDERS took turns with the screwdrivers to put them in place.

A fun flying event, an Aerial Picture Hunt, was cosponsored by San Diego and El Cajon Valley Chapters on Sunday, April 9. Prior to that Co-Chairmen, LOIS BARTLING, San Diego, and DOTTIE SANDERS spent all of their spare minutes finding likely objects for which to search and taking pictures with their trusty "Brownie." The weather cooperated to the utmost with clear, "See-forever" skies which encouraged participation by 18 airplanes and 61 people -nine airplanes from San Diego Chapter, three from El Cajon Valley, three from San Diego County Sheriff's Aero Squadron, one from Palomar Chapter (PAM VANDER LIN-DEN), and two from El Cajon Flyin Service at Gillespie Field. The secret destination was Borrego Airport, where we were transported too the LaCasa del Zorro for a delicious cold-plate lunch - most appropriate for a warm day on the desert. ISABELLE McCRAE and crew won first-place trophy, donated by San Diego Chapter; MARGARET GOODRICH and crew won second, place prize, a "Let's Fly" Game; BARBARA TUCKER and crew won

third place prize, a lighted screwdriver; and ELSIE and ED WATSON won the Special Award (Hopeless) for having the lowest score. (Although their score was low, perhaps they were the most honest contestants since time did not allow them to physically see some of the pictures, so they did not mark them on their map, although they knew what they were.) Second, third, and the Special Award prizes were donated by our Chapter. Everyone had fun, So LOIS and DOTTIE are already watching for possible landmarks for next year's Hunt - they have as much fun finding the locations as the contestants in looking for them.

With advance notice from ELLEN TRINDLE, International Public Relations Chairman, your Reporter represented our Chapter by attending a press conference on the forthcoming International Exposition of Flight at Las Vegas April 27-30, where Los Angeles Chapter's actress member, SUSAN OLIVER, will be hostess. SUSAN and ELLEN flew into Lindbergh Field for the occasion, attended by San Diego Chapter members of Ninety-Nines, members of the press and television, City Councilmen, AL-LAN HITCH who presented SUSAN with a key to the City, San Diego

Chamber of Commerce, and Public Relations men from various airlines. Following the meeting they were taken on a tour of the San Diego Aerospace Museum in Balbooa Park. We enjoyed SUSAN'S brief visit, and hope that she will return for a more leisurely and sociable occasion.

April 15th was the date and the San Diego Aerospace Museum was the place for San Diego Chapter's showing of the WCBS Documentary Film on the 1966 Powder Puff Derby -autographs of "local talent" were at a premium by RUBY KEAVENY, TERRY VASQUES and 491/2 er, BOB SANDERS (Official Starter in 1965 and 1966), featured in the film and by bit-players, GERTRUDE LOCK-WOOD and DOTTIE SANDERS. Seriously, we all enjoyed the film as well as the delicious refreshments fololwing with MARIAN BANKS, hostess. Attending from our Chapter were JUDY and WES BACHMAN, DOTTIE and DICK CAMPBELL, DOTTIE and ROY DAVIS, IDA and DELL GAY, ISABELLE McCRAE, and DOTTIE BOB SANDERS. It was a full house with those attending full of enthusiasm, the film spurring thoughts of getting busy to enter this year's race!

#### FALLON CHAPTER Elaine Brown, Reporter

We're now plunging into our ninth week of nasty weather, but we optimists are sure that we'll be snowed, blown, and rained out by June and have nothing but clear skies for you gals entering our San Diego to Reno Fun Race on the 10th of June. And wait 'till you see the magnificent trophies! And the publicity promises to be something! The Reno papers have given us one whole page on the 21st of May plus many separate articles in the weeks preceding the race. Don't be surprised to land to the tune of a brass band and half the citizenry of Reno.

The awards banquet will be at the Nugget Convention Center in Sparks, Navada and those kind people have provided us with their expert photographer plus many other helpful suggestions. Taking the pictures was the primary reason for our monthly meeting on the first of April, followed by a dandiful luncheon at the home of DOROTHY STAUFF, plus a short business meeting. Viewing the pictures was the secondary reason for



This picture taken at Monterey Bay Chapter's two cents a pound ride at Salinas Airport. L. to R. BETTY WORSTELL, TRISH MARKS, LOIS BRADSHAW, SUE JOHNSON, DELL HINN, GENEVA CRANFORD, GERI HALF-PENNY, and HELEN SHROPSHIRE.

our next "meeting" at the home of ELAINE and STAN BROWN. This gathering included the 49½ ers and was one of the most enjoyable pot luck dinners and evenings we've seen in these parts. FRAN and GUS GUS-TAVSON flew in from Fallon, HAZEL and WERNER HOHN drove over from Carson City, JANE and BILL JANS-SEN from Sparks and from Reno came LOIS and MIKE BROWN, LOIS and DAVE WILLIAMS, JUDY and BILL HISLE, DORIS and JOHN EACRET, DEE BAER (her 491/2 er, RICK, had just returned to co-pilot school in Phooenix for Bonanza Airlines), and guests JUDY and DUANE COLE. Do flying people have more fun? of coursee!

We did miss DOROTHY and CARROL STAUFF who fired up their Cessna 210 and flew Carroll's 87-year old mother to Palm Springs with them for a wonderfull week-end in the sun. They're getting to be regular commuters these days!

All for this month, gals. Here's hoping for sunny skies!

## MONTEREY BAY CHAPTER Sue Johnson, Reporter

On April 2, we held another air-

lift, charging two cents a pound. This one was held at Hollister Airport in conjunction with the Hollister Airman's sail plane display. Bad weather canceled the sail planes, but we still did very well. Our sincere thanks to BETTY WORSTELL for organizing this money-raiser, and to ANNA MAE PARK and MARY PAINTER for helping BETTY.

Our monthly meeting was held in the Golden Tee Restaurant at the Monterey Penninsula Airport. A large turnout witnessed the 49½er initiation of RAY BRADSHAW, "SCHEFF" SCHEFFLER, and DICK WORSTELL.

After dinner we viewed the CBS presentation "A Powder Puff for Joan." We especially enjoyed glimpsing many of our members and their 49½ ers in the film.

After our unusually wet spring, the trip to the Sectional in Phoenix is going to be a welcome treat for several members.

## NORTHERN ARIZONA CHAPTER Ruth Smith, Reporter

For our April meeting at the Americana Motel, six 99s were present and all three of our 66s. MARY ELLEN LIKEN drove to Winslow and she

and JEAN DECK drove on to Flagstaff. LOIS WARD had to drive from Prescott. Lots of sunshine accompanied by lots of strong wind was the weather for the day. MARY ELLEN was to have flown their plane home from Flag, as they were having some work done on it. but she decided to come back for it the next day. BETH WRIGHT, CAROLYN SHOEMAKER, and RUTH SMITH, 99s and BEVERLY SMITH, JEAN KNOTT, and JESSYE KNOTT, 65s were present.

LOIS WARD probably won't forget to close a flight plan again! When she flew to Flag for our special Powder Puff Derby meeting in January, she had WILLIAM McCART of the FSS in Prescott with her and forgot to close her flight plan! Someone asked her about closing it and she did so, but now Prescott asks her if she is opening or closing her flight plan.

BETH WRIGHT will leave April 17th for Columbus, Ohio by jet again. She will be there for about two weeks. Jet flight is such a change from flying in light aircraft, enjoyable though.

CAROLYN SHOEMAKER has had trips to Gallup and Phoenix recently. Since 49½er GENE is a Geologist, he points out the diifferent strata of rock as they fly along. While on a jet flight to St. Louis not long ago, Carolyn said the pilot was a little excited because he came very close to breaking the record time for a flight from Phoenix to St. Louis. He had the help of a tailwind of 150 miles per hour.

After her exciting trip to Francisco Grande, 66 JEAN KNOTT made a cross country to St. Johns to visit friends. This time everything went as planned, no problems at all. JEAN hasn't been flying too much since then, but as soon as her cut hand (required about 8 stitches) heals she is going to settle down to serious business and have her license by June.

We're glad to have JESSYE KNOTT back with us. She was in Phoenix for a month. She too, intends to get busy, and get her license. From what she said at the meeting, we gathered she had a little radio trouble, like not having it tuned in too exactly, on one of her recent lessons.

MARY ELLEN LIKEN attended the National Aerospace Education Conference in Tucson on April 1st. SON MARK was the pilot since he wants to build up hours for his commercial ticket. They had a strong headwind and they were about 30 min. behind ETA's to check points. MARY called Phoenix VOR to report; Phoenix in turn said they would call Tucson. When she called in at Tucson, they thanked her profusely for telling them she would be late and said more pilots should do the same when they are running late. Return trip to Holbrook took only 1 hour and 35 min.

HELEN LAWRENCE is home from the hospital now and walking very carefully in her back brace. She wanted to come to the meeting very badly, but X-Rays earlier in the week weren't favorable enough. HELEN said she had just about all the problems worked out for entering the Powder Puff Derby . . . maybe next year, HELEN. CAROLYN SHOEMAKER will fill the position of Air-Age Education Chairman since HELEN'S injuries will force her to be inactive for a while.

ROSEMARY and JOHN KAHLE have a new (for all intents and purposes) Piper Aztec. Last I heard,

# How 'bout flyin' a RACE with an INTERNATIONAL MEMBER as Co-Pilot????

they still had their Mooney. Possibly ROSEMARY will be the first in our Chapter to obtain a Multi-engine rating.

MARILYN and ELDON BILLS, and their boys have returned from a vacation in Acapulco and Mexico City, via commercial airlines. Must have been a lovely trip, though we haven't heard from MARILYN yet, as she was ill with one of the bugs that seem to be making the rounds this time of year.

JUNE and LARRY ELY are due back from a vacation in Yucatan sometime this week. They first flew to Pennsylvania to visit LARRY'S Father; then down the Eastern coast of the States for a change.

We all enjoyed meeting RUBY KEAVNEY, BETTY WHARTON, and MARIAN BANKS when they were here in Flagstaff. No wonder the Race goes so smoothly year after year. With gals like these to lay the ground work, there's just no other way! The AWTAR Board does a terrific job.

We plan to fly in to Kayenta, Ariz.

on May 21st for our monthly meeting, weather permitting. Breakfast at 9:00 A. M. at the Monument Valley Inn, just across the highway from the airstrip. It's a very good gravel strip and everyone is welcome to join us. While there, we plan to check on the possibilities of doing some air-marking.

LOIS WARD is our Chapter Sec'y-Treas, and our newest member. She had her first lesson in August 1963, soloed on February 24, 1964 and received her license on October 21, 1965. LOIS is Deputy County Assessor for Yavapai County and enjoys doing oil paintings of animals. Also likes to hunt and bagged a 200 lb. mountain lion last fall while she was bear hunting. LOIS collects historical books about Arizona. DON and LOIS have three grandchildren ages 4, 2, and 1.

## **ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER**Ginny Chandler, Reporter

This month our Chapter is busy making plans for the opening day celebration of Orange County Airport's new facilities. Our group has accepted the responsibility of organizing another Penny-a-Pound. This type of event seems to be a very good way to interest and educate the non-flying public. It also helps cement good relations between them and the aviation contingent. (A thing needed so badly these days!)

MADINE PARSEL, MARA CULP, and ANN CANTILLON have undertaken the task of organizing a Proficiency Race for 99s and other female pilots to be run that same day. Sounds hectic, but a lot of fun too.

Among newly rated pilots are MARCOT SMITH - Instrument, MARA CULP-Ground Instructor, HELEN HEDGES - Commercial, and yours truly-Instrument.

MARTY CARRITHERS is the proud owner of an Aeronca 7AC. Lucky girl!

JOYCE NASH and family have been getting around quite a bit lately, good WX or not. First Phoenix, then Red Bluff, and with the Sectional up and coming, it will be back to Phoenix soon.

Speaking of Sectional, it will be here before we know it, and several of the gals from Orange County are planning to attend. The events planned sound too good to miss, and seeing our past Chairman, CHRIS ARM-

STRONG, again won't be too hard to take either.

Next month we should have some "interesting" stories about the opening day celebrations I mentioned earlier.

Time to call it quits or I'll miss the deadline AGAIN!

## PALOMAR CHAPTER Mary M. Moons, Reporter

Due to the huge demand, when we mentioned having an easy system of airmarking, an airmarking manual is being prepared. Information on it will be forthcoming in the near future.

We were extremely sorry to hear of the death of DOROTHY COLE-MAN'S husband, GEORGE, in an aircraft accident. We have donated to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund in his name.

On April 15, we were invited by the San Diego Chapter, to see the TV film of the 1966 AWTAR at the Aerospace Museum in San Diego and enjoyed the film very much.

We are making plans to attend the Spring Sectional in Phoenix and hope to have a large representation from our chapter.

One of the complaints heard at the last meeting, was that we just don't have time to attend all the events planned in the next few months — especially conflicting events.

Our group plans to attend the Ramona Pageant at Hemet on May 7 and there's the fly-in to the Avacado Festival at Fallbrook on May 6. Also on May 6, is the showing of the Auburn film at Palomar of our Lake Havasu meeting with the Seaplane Association. These previous plans kept us from attending the dedication of the new chapter at Nut Tree.

#### LOS ANGELES CHAPTER Rachel Bonzon, Reporter

The Los Angeles Chapter held a two-cents-a-pound airlift in connection with "Santa Monica Airport Pioneer Days," April 8 and 9. The weather co-operated fully, giving us the best weekend in months, and we lifted 109,100 pounds. Thanks very much to those hard-working members of neighboring chapters, flying clubs, and friends, who helped both flying and on the ground.

On March 28, we held a dinner in honor of our 49½ ers. MARY ANN and LEON KASLOW administered the

49¼ er ceremony developed by FRAN and TOM JOHNSON of Las Vegas Valley, and presented 49¼ er membership and pledge cards. The speakers were MIRO SLOVAK, who told of his experiences in Czechoslovakia, his escape to the West, and his varied flying in this country, and AL HALL. Chief of Boeing 707 Flight Training for American Airlines, who gave us a glimpse into his long and interesting career. It was a pleasure to have these distinguished pilots with us on this occasion.

ELOISE BREESE, President and founder of the UCLA Flying Club, reports they are adding a Soaring Division, and plan an excursion to Tehachapi at the invitation of the Schweitzer Sailplane Company there.

LYNNE OPPER lost a wing tip. Returning from Fresno, after a beautiful Special VFR landing, it was a different story on the ground. Said wing tip, labelled "Lynne's Boo-Boo," now occupies a vantage point in the OPPERS' trophy room, next to a cracked wheel fairing marked "Bob's Folly."

Prospective members DOROTHY LIMBACH had some wing damage to her C-172, (she was not driving)

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and was unable to have it repaired in time for the airlift. "It was an expensive lunch we had at Van Nuys that day—"

SUSAN OLIVER'S X-C tour as "Flying Ambassador for Easter Seals was an exciting experience. She flew from L. A. to Philadelphia, to ten cities in ten days, in an Aero-Commander 200, totally donated by Aero-Commander, lunched in Pittsburgh with AL ROCKWELL the day of the merger of Rockwell-Standard with North American Aviation. In Salt Lake City, ALBERTA NICHOLSON called and helped with the best flying route to Denver. At Des Moines Airport, she was met by LOIS GRANGE and eighteen 99s.

AULEEN HALL has had her first "Multi" time in a C-310 and plans to continue to her MEL rating.

ANN LODWIG has been flying locally in her C-170, but mostly flying on

the ground between Topanga and Santa Monica Airport, putting in much time and effort preparing for our airlift.

RACHEL BONZON received Basic, Advanced, and Instrument Ground Instructor ratings.

BETTY and GENE DUPORT are momentarily expecting twin grandchildren, their firsts.

The KASLOWS flew to Las Vegas, with KRIS, just turned four, following in the family flying tradition. They met VIVIAN THOMPSON and 49¼ er KEN there, where VIVIAN is hair dresser to DEBBIE REYNOLDS, now playing at the Riviera. She was responsible for their seats at DEBBIE'S dinner show, right up on the stage.

JEAN IVANOFF and friends flew to Palm Desert. Also to Catalina, where they found the operators would much rather rent them an automobille then have them use their own go-cart.

ELOISE BREESE was last heard from, snowed in at Lake Arrowhead during our April 11 storm, with her VW buried under two feet of the white stuff, and steadily more coming down.

#### LONG BEACH CHAPTER Katee Moskow, Reporter

March meeting was held at JUDY WAGNER'S home, with a very good turn out, so was able to pick up a few news items from those there.

We had as guest, BABE LAPP, who got her Private license March 5th and in planning on joining our group. She and EDNA LOUDON went for a ride in the Goodyear Blimp, Colombia. It seems ELE PETERSON missed it by about 100 feet (up). Run faster ELE.

RUTH NITZEN and 49½ er JOHN spent an enjoyable weekend with CAROL and JAY KENNEDY of San Andreas touring the Sierra's in the KENNEDY'S "Scout".

EMMA McGUIRE and CAROLE DUNN flew to the Fla Bob Airport to attend a joint Fly-in of the EAA and ACAA. They thought ACAA was Aerobatic Club of America with a misprint of an extra A. But needless to say, they enjoyed seeing the Experimental and Antique planes. They got together with LIZ CROWLEY of SFV Chapter and other local members of the Aerobatic Club of America to form the first Chapter. They will meet every 3rd Thursday in Van

Nuys. Look for brochures at your airport. Meetings will be interesting with Aerobatic 16mm movies, etc.—please come, they need members.

MILDRED KRUEGER'S daughter made it. Congratulations to SUZI LORENZ for receiving her Private license! They too, attended the EAA fly-in at Fla Bob, and claim it the biggest ever on an ideal sunny day. LEE TITLE and GENE FITZ-PATRICK flew to Giant Rock and Bermuda Dunes and toured the desert area hiking at stops. GENE is an ex-WASP who hasn't been flying of late, now maybe she can get back in the swing of it.

Another ex-WASP attending our March meeting is NADINE RAMSEY as guest of one of our new members GRACE PAGE. NADINE has had an exciting career in aviation as an exowner of a P-38 and now works for Aztec.

MARY PINKNEY would like friends to change her phone number in the roster to 213 FR 5-9829. The other is her husband's business number and BOB is going to kill her, if more calls come in on it.

Ed. Note—That is the number shown in the '66-'67 Roster—do we need further info? Or is that correct?

#### PHOENIX CHAPTER Marjy Crowl, Reporter

As MARY VIAL started her breezy, informative, educational News Notes from our Chairman: HAPPY HECTIC APRIL! This was most appropriate to describe the many activities, moneymaking and otherwise, Fate scheduled for this period. Must be Fate, as (to quote MARY again) "It wasn't the way we planned it, but this is the way it worked out". The WCBS Documentary Film of Powder Puff Derby was presented at KOOL TV studios Thursday evening, April 6. About thirty-five people attended on short notice. Friday, April 7 found SUSAN STORM accounting for the being sold for the Gompers Bar-B-Kue to be held April 16. Failed to mention that April 5, contributions were made to the club coffers through attendance at an interesting food demonstration. Sunday, April 9, official flight of the month, was Air Show at Falcon Field, Mesa, Arizona sponsored by the Desert Sportsman Pilots Association to benefit our U.S. Aerobatic Team. Must have been a couple of committee "work nights" between then and regular meeting Thursday, April 13 at Sky Harbor Airport in FSS Conference Room. April 17, MARION and BOB AUBURN showed their new film "Flying the Western U. S. A." at Mercury Aviation Hangar, for which our members sold tickets. Report of events of 21, 22 and 23rd next issue!

Welcome to our three new members: LELIA REGER, GWYN DARE and NOLA EARL! We particularly appreciate getting enthusiastic workers at a time like this!

JUANITA NEWELL represented our Chapter on club business when she flew VIRGINIA COOK, TUS Chapter, to Las Vegas in her Bonanza. JUANITA and VIRGINIA, along with RUTH REINHOLD and MELBA BEARD were 99s in evidence at the OX-5 Club dinner for ART BOEBEL at Camelback Inn in Phoenix.

When our flight to Prescott for lunch with members of Northern Arizona Chapter was cancelled due to Weather Bureau forecast, our International President ALICE ROBERTS drove up. Reports from other pilots indicated we would have had no problems of the type expected. MARY LOU BROWN flew the Geological Survey's DeHaviland Beaver to Santa Ana on business. While there she consulted ANN CANTILLON, Chairman of the Orange County Chapter about plans for the Spring Sectional in Phoenix, GINNY MOSER, with 4914 er BILL and son, JIM, made trip to Douglas in a 172. JEANNE MORRIS' 491/4 er, WES, just returned from ferrying a Beechcraft to Australia-would like to repeat soon. EVELYN SASSER went to San Diego with Flying Farmers. Toured submarine and submarine tender. Later went to Blythe and Sacaton to see Indian effigies. LELIA REGER flew to Cottonwood, left her brother-in-law, there, went on to Flagstaff and Prescott.

ALICE ROBERTS attended the Falcon Air Show, as did the four LAMBERTS. MARY VIAL and TRUDY MURPHY were judges, yet! RUTH REINHOLD headed up a group parking arriving aircraft and selling tickets to those people debarking from same: SUE HARPER, JUNE KAISER, and MARJY CROWL appreciated all work done by JOANN WINTERLING'S 49¼er, who substituted for JOANN

while she studied for her Commercial written. Probably had to make up for some of the time she's taken out from studies to help form 66 group. She and SUSAN STORM had six female student pilots in attendance at first meeting.

SUT HARPER reports she is a member in good standing of the Blimp Club. She enjoyed sitting in the copilot's seat of the Goodyear Blimp, even though she said it had no dual controls. JUANITA NEWELL and 49¼ er, ELGIN, also joined the club. Should hear JUANITA tell about flying it!

Just look who attended April business meeting: WILMA BLAND, EVE-LYN SASSER. PAMELA PETTY. MARY LOUISE BECK, HELEN VEN-SKUS, MARJY CROWL, ALICE ROB-ERTS. BEV PERIMAN, JOANN WINTERLING, MARGARET HLAV-ENKA, MARY LOU BROWN, PAT LAMBART, SUE HARPER, SUSAN STORM, MARY VIAL, JEANNE MOR-RIS, GINNY MOSER, CHRIS ARM-STRONG, ANNE DAVIS, MILLIE DAWE, ERNA BLATT, FREDA TOLI-VER, LELIA REGER, MARY BAT-TRUDY MURPHY, MAUDE ROOT, GEORGIA B. HARPER (guest from Elkins, W. Va.), JUANITA NEWELL, JANE WICK, MRS. JIM BOYCE, LINDA BOYCE and RUBY SHELDON, who wasn't as late as usual since we were meeting close to her ground school classroom. She blythely informed me she had no news -all she had done was to get her Multi-engine rating! I happen to know, though, that she also took a glider flight, her first, with FAA Inspector MYLES RUGGENBURG.

Am sure that others in our Chapters are doing interesting things, too. Hope they will attend a meeting soon and tell us.

## SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHAPTER Capt. Reece Wants To Fly

SEOUL, Korea—WAC CAPT. JOYCE REECE, a Commercial Multi-engine pilot, is trying to enter into one of the military man's last domains—aviation. CAPTAIN REECE explains, "I want to break down the barrier that exists against women flying for the Armed Forces.

When not sending in applications for flight examinations and reviews of her background, the Captain works



CAPTAIN REECE'S telephone is constantly busy with persons calling for assistance in legal matters and personal problems. The CAPTAIN is the Asst. Adjutant for the 19 General Support Group currently stationed in Korea. (Frontiersman Photo).

as the Assistant Chief of Personnel for the 19th General Support Group, Eighth U. S. Army Support Command, Korea.

Born and raised in Los Angeles, she first came in contact with flying when she was nine years old and was returning by plane from a visit to her grandmother's home in Portland, Ore. Intrigued by the glamour of flying, she set her sights on becoming an airline stewardess. "But then I realized that the pilots' job was more challenging," she recalls.

After her first flight, she started building model airplanes while other girls her age were still feeding their dolls. At age 13, she joined the Civil Air Patrol in her community and served with them for four years, leaving as a Cadet Lieutenant. "It was a great introduction to the world of flight," she says about her first high flying adventures.

Upon entering Pasadena City College, she started parachute jumping with the American Skydiving Club.

After graduating from college with a degree in political science, CAP-TAIN REECE enlisted in the U. S. Army because, "The Army offers a woman more job opportunities and travel."

"I was sent to Fort Rucker, Ala., to the Air Traffic Control School for my Advanced Individual Training. While at the school, I was asked by my Commanding Officer if I would be interested in making application for Officer Candidate School. I chose to make application and my papers were processed and accepted." It must be noted that CAPTAIN REECE had the distinction of being one of the first women to be admitted to the Army program of training women for Air Traffic Control since 1945.

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After receiving her commission as a Second Lieutenant, the newly appointed officer was assigned to the WAC Training Battalion. Fort McClellan, Ala. While serving with the Battalion, she submitted her application for flight school. She passed all the Army's requirements for the school, but was turned down in 1963, because there was no need for women in the program at that time and also because women could not serve in combat flying status in Vietnam.

She was reassigned in 1934 to Fort Knox, Ky., where she joined the Fort Knox Aero Club. "I acquired all my flying time, passed my written examination, but had no license. I had soloed in a J-3 Piper Cub and a Cessna 175, but even a Private license was not enough, so I left the service to pursue my flying education."

Once back in civilian life she started working towards her Commercial license and was associated with A1-SOS Aviation located in Chico, Calif. Through much hard work, money, and effort she secured her Private, Commercial and Multi-engine licenses. After receiving her flying permits, she started ferrying planes for A1-SOS and piloted some charter trips for them.

During her stay in Chico, she joined the Sacramento Valley Chapter. Now back in the service, CAPTAIN REECE was asked how she would feel about going to Vietnam as a pilot. "I would go anywhere my country sent me. I see no reason why a person cannot perform any job they are qualified for no matter what their sex. Other countries have recognized the potentialls of women pilots, such as Turkey, Israel, and the Soviet Union. Since there is a continuing need for good pilots, why should not the United States tap one of its greatest resources, women. Some 30 years ago a woman, by the name of AMELIA EARHART, proved that a pilot's ability is not based on sex but on determination and skill."

The next step for the woman aviator in trying to become the first female Army pilot is "to convince the Army that there are many flying assignments that qualified women officers can perform as part of the Army team." From the way she talks and her experience in aviation, CAPTAIN REECE could well be the Army's first woman flyer.

Besides her flying accomplishments,



Dry Run . . . Testing the controls of a twin - engine aircraft, CAPTAIN REECE also monitors transmissions from the tower. The CAPTAIN, a Sacramento Valley Chapter members, holds a Commercial MEL license.

the captain is an accomplished shooter with both shotgun and rifle. She has participated in competition at the All-Army Rifle and Pistol Matches at Fort Benning, Ga., and at the National Rifle Matches at Camp Perry, Ohio. The captain plays a swinging game of golf and was a top amateur during her college years. Off-duty the attractive pilot likes to cook and listen to her stereo.

## SAN GABRIEL CHAPTER D. Foxon, Reporter

The San Gabriel Chapter had their third annual 2 penny a pound airlift April 9th at Brackett Field, La Verne, California. Approximately 85,000 pounds were flown with over one thousand passengers. Luckily, we had one of the few nice days in the weeks before and after. Our success was due to the generous help of BILL STITT, Airport Manager, Pomona Valley Pilots Association, Civil Air Patrol Squadron No. 64, 49½ers and many friends of the 99s.

The generous donation of planes and

pilots by Air College of Corona, Corona, California, G & H Aircraft of

El Monte, Ginny's Flying School, Bracket Air Service, Bracket Field, BOB ARMSTRONG twin Commander, AL PRESSLER, LYLE BUSH, ELWOOD COUSINS, DORIS BAILEY of Orange County 99, DR. LITTLE, and Van Nuys Helicopter, made it possible to fly so many.

ANDREW LECH displayed his tremendous miniature model in the Ad building. CHARLES VERNON procured CAP movie shorts of search and rescue films that were shown in the pilots lounge. Helped people pass time while waiting for their rides. Also a great static display. Hard work by all, members and others, plus great publicity made for a very successful day. Our photos were taken by DARRYL BENDER.

Welcome to our new members, CHERYL COLLINS and MARGARET LAWSON, both new Private pilots.

VIRGINIA WEGENER and MARI-LYN NORTON are again planning on the Powder Puff Derby.

Our Chapter has purchased a projector with tape recorder. The members interested in working on their Commercial license are getting together once a week. VIRGINIA WEGENER is donating the Ground School slides and tapes of AV Commercial Pilot for the members to use.

At last

Reporter: Dot Foxon



CHERYL COLLINS unloading passengers at San Gabriel 2 penny a pound.



The Weigh In — MARJORIE SCHULTZ, PENNY SWOPE, DOROTHY GEDDES, ROSE ANN FORD, VIRGINIA WEGENER, SHIRLEY GILMORE, BETTY HUMBLE.

#### SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CHAPTER

Jeanne Day, Reporter

Many of our members attended and enjoyed the fly-in to San Diego's Vacation Village. Rumors are rampant that several girls are planning return trips soon! All this is a tribute to our terrific Fly-In Chairman, FLORENCE DITTMAR, who arranges everything—even the perfect weather.

LINDA DENSMORE, who has been turning out those superb quality Aux Tank News, dismayed us with the news that she is moving to Wash., D. C., where her husband has accepted a position with the DOT. We shall keenly miss her, and we can bet this Chapter will have many "forced landings" in DC from now on. She is taking her Cessna 180 even though she was spoiled by a ride in a Beech Baron with all those nice electronic goodies.

MARGE MORONG and NITA LOVELESS went on a SkyLark fly-in to Hearst Castle where they had permission to land on the private strip, and then tour the estate.

AUDREY SCHUTTE that tired flight scenery become fresh and glorious when covered with fresh-fallen snow.

ELLEN TRINDLE, this year's Woman Pilot of the Year, reports lots of flying, but most of it was commercial, to New Orleans, Kansas City, and Las Vegas. She does plan to fly to the Spring Sectional in Phoenix in her own plane, however.

BETTY STORRS took a friend's aunt up for her first ride in a small airplane—and the aunt is 91 years young! BETTY is excited about the chance to fly the Mobil Economy Run. Yes, FLY. She will parallel the automobile run, and effect a cost comparison.

## VOTE VOTE VOTE (then MAIL it!)

JEANNE DAY made a few short flights, and just passed her Basic and Advanced Ground Instructor ratings.

LOLA RICCI and her husband are practicing and preparing to take the Twin Comanche on a vacation to the Bahamas!

CATHY BLACK has been busy aviating; she says that she has only two more lines to fill to fiinish her first logbook.

FLORENCE DITTMAR repaired the bird-hit damage to her wing, and is leaving for Honolulu—going commercially, of course. Also winging commercially is MARTHA FLAHERTY who is on her way to Europe for a month, (or until the money runs out, she says.)

LIZ CROWLEY is working on her Instrument and on the formation of an Aerobatic Club for Southern California.

BERNADINE BENNING flew left seat in a Jetstar, and ARDIE TREN-

HOLM flew as passenger in a LearJet to Orange Conty, back in a DC 3. That's like aviation history in one short round trip.

VIRGINIA RAINWATER, MARGARET WARD. VESTA MALBY, FLORA HUTCHINSON, and MARY HOLLOWAY have been doing local and lunch flights. AULEEN HALL and LOIS MILES have been checking out in various craft.

EDDIE WHITE gets up and away from Real Estate as often as she can. We also enjoyed sharing the experiences of our guests; VIRGINIA BORG, FLORENCE STANTON, RUTH MAYLE, SHIRLEE KAY, ESTHER FLECK, PAULINE FLEMING, and JOY BAILEY.

#### SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER Helen McGee, Reporter

A prediction of stormy weather cancelled our plans for meeting at the Nut Tree in March. Instead, JEAN MURRAY whipped up a delicious lunch at last minute notice and we met at her home in Stockton. As it turned out, the storm failed to materialize and two planes flew in: GEORGE ANN GARMS and DOTTIE MCALLISTER from Palo Alto and PAULINE CHRISTENSEN and LAVERNE GUDGEL from Merced.

EV HENDLEY, MARGARET ANDREWS, LAURA MAY CRAWFORD, BILLIE WYATT, EVELYN JOHNSON, MARIE McDOWELL, and HELEN McGEE drove over. In the future when weather cancels a fly-in, we'll reschedule on the following Tuesday.

Main topic of business was our plans for the Fall Sectional in Stockton, September 15, 16 and 17. Headquarters will be the new Holiday Inn. Many of us hope to be in Phoenix in April to personally invite you.

We're all supporting the candidacy of MARIE McDOWELL for Treasurer of the Southwest Section. In the past, MARIE has served most capably as our Vice-Chairman and Chairman and has attended all Sectional meetings since becoming a member in 1962. She is also active in the California Flying Farmers, serving as Queen. Presently, she is studying for her Instrument rating.

Many thanks to CHARLOTTE RYAN for Chairmaning our successful Charter Day dinner at the Hotel Covell in

Modesto. 89 members and guests were in attendance.

We'd like to welcome our new member, DOROTHY (DOTTIE) McALLISTER of Portola Valley, with a brief sketch. DOTTIE received her Private Pilot's on October 11, 1966 and is busy now checking out in the family Comanche. Her husband is a Flight Instructor for Nystrom Aviation in Palo Alto and she has one son, 14. Like so many 99s, she started flying with the idea of being able to land in an emergency, then caught the bug. Result: a pilot's license and a new member for us.

We also want to welcome the new Mount Diablo Chapter which will hold its charter festivities May 6. Our former member, MARTIE GRAHAM, has been active in its formation. We hope to have some of our group attending the dinner.

Two members missed our March meeting because they were vacationing. RENE NEALON and her family were in Sun Valley while DOROTHY and FLOYD KOEBEL were enjoying the sunny climes of Mexico with the Flying Farmers. They extended their tour to include a few days in Acapulco.

LAURA MAY will be flying com-

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mercially at the end of March for a two month or more tour of Europe. If dates work out, she'll meet husband GENE in Paris for the Air Show

GEORGE ANN flew to Santa Barbara the other day for some house hunting. Her husband, MICKIE, will receive his Ph.D. from Stanford shortly and is considering a teaching position at the University. She plans to fly her two children to Sun Valley for Easter week.

A weekend visit with her parents in Bullhead City, Arizona plus a trip to Orange County were recent destinations of MARIE and 49¼ er, ALAN. I guess they borrowed a plane, for their storm damaged Bonanza is mostly in Modesto for repairs. One wing is still in Gustine.

LAVERNE and BOB flew to Eugene, Oregon for a weekend and also stopped by to enjoy the culinary pleasures of the Nut Tree.

## SANTA CLARA VALLEY CHAPTER Amy Sylvester, Reporter

On March 7, JACKIE SACHEN spoke before a group of girls at Menlo-Atherton High School during their Vocational Orientation. "Women in Flying and Instructing" was the subject.

JO ANN MARIE "Parachuted" into the CAROLE & LARRY LUSHBAUGH household on March 12. Gross weight —7 lbs. 6½ oz. Welcome and Congratulations!

We are most happy to have with us PATTY SAXTON—a transfer from Texas.

Outgoing Chairman ALICE TAYLOR was presented an engraved gavel by MARG STANDISH at our March 16 meeting. Also, at the same meeting, SANDY FORREST reported on the Sea Ranch fly-in which was attended by 13 members and guests in 5 airplanes. Speaking of fly - ins, the Solving fly-in of April 2nd was cancelled due to the bad weather to the South, so-o-o the gals who had looked forward to this trip didn't give up;—the weather was better north - they went north, to Calistoga Airpark for lunch and tour of the Behringer Winry. JEANNE McELHATTON was there with guests HERMA KAY & IDA WILLIAMS, PHYL PIERCE with 49½er FRED, CHARLENE TAYLOR witih 49½ er, BOB, MARY SMITH, NATALIE BOSSIO, PAT GLADNEY with guests BARBARA PATUCEK and HELENA & PAUL PARLOW, JACKIE PETTY, and NOVIS PERCIVAL with 491/2 er JOHN, son JOHN and guest SCOTT MOORE. The sun was mixed with some rain, wind, and even hail -but a marvelous time was had by all. Three gals even took glider rides!

Short notes: NOVIS PERCIVAL is our new Publicity Chairman, appointed unanimously. Fun at CHARLENE TAYLOR'S to view 2 reels of 1966 Powder Puff Derby. There were 27 members, 49½ ers and guests.

The following interesting account of their trip to Finland is from DOR-OTHY HEIKKILA and 49½er ROY:

We, 99 DOROTHY HEIKKILA, and my husband, LeROY, left Santa Cruz late last Fall for a trip to Finland. We flew from San Francisco to New York City, where we were met by our daughter, CARLENE. CARLENE is a Stewardess with United Airlines and lives in Miami, Florida. We spent a couple of days sight-seeing in New

York. We left New York and flew to Helsinki, via Preswick, Scotland, Copenhagen, Denmark, and Stockholm, Sweden. Two flights were delayed due to weather. The country and ocean were blanketed with fog except Scotland. Scotland is a beautiful country.

We spent a couple of days in Helsinki, walking, riding trams, shopping, and sight-seeing. Helsinki is a beautiful city of one-half million people. It was the cleanest city we visited anywhere, no slums, and no litter.

We took a train to Oulu, which is 350 miles north of Helsinki. From Oulu, we took a bus to Taivalkoski, a small town which is 150 miles north east of Oulu. Taivalkoski is the town where LeROY'S Mom was born and spent her girlhood. We spent three weeks in this area visiting LeROY'S relatives and his sister-in-law's relatives. The people there are the most friendly, hospitable, and happiest that we met anywhere.

Finland is a rolling country with many, many forests and 60,000 lakes. The lakes are large and beautiful. The altitude of the highest airport in Finland is 600'. The weather was very cold while we were there. We wore about all the clyothes we could get on. In this northeastern part of Finland, we were less than 75 miles from the Arctic Circle and about 12 miles from the Soviet Union border. There were low stratus clouds all of the three weeks we were in this area, except about two days. It was only above the freezing level three times, during this period. It snowed, rained, and froze. The sun would come up on one side of the house and go down on the same side. The sun doesn't get very high in the sky during the winter. In the summer around June 24th, the sun never sets in this northern country.

A relative took us to a ski resort about fifty miles further north. He is in third place in the Speed and Distance Competition Skiing in Finland. To keep in practice, late one afternoon he ran twelve miles. During the winter when he is skiing in competition, he runs forty-five miles at least one day a week and then runs less every other day.

CARLENE was able to spend nine days with us before returning to the States. She left Taivalkoski rural area alone by bus. A friend of LEROY'S Uncle told the bus driver to see that she made connections with another bus and then the train. CARLENE could

not speak one word of Finnish and no one in this area could speak English. CARLENE made the trip fine. LeROY had to do all of the talking for us.

We did fly from Oulu to Helsinki commercially but because of the low stratus clouds we could not see the ground. The minimums for instrument flying are much less there than any place in the United States.

We spent several more days in Helsinki visiting, sight-seeing, and getting ready to come home. We met and were able to spend quite a bit of time with a Glider Instructor in Helsinki. You have to be Instrument rated to fly gliders in Finland. There is a lot of glider flying, but little private flying, because of the cost.

We left Finland for Stockholm to spend a couple of days in the old part of the city. This part of the city was built in the 18th century and was right on the water front. It, too, is a beautiful city. We took a tour, did a lot of sight-seeing on our own, and walked and walked. The weather was cold but the sun was shining most of the time. We saw the warship Wasa, which was built in 1625-1628. It was sunk in the Stockholm Harbor in 1628. In 1961, they raised it up and now are preserving it. From Stockholm, we again stopped in Copenhagen and then direct to New York City, via SAS.

We left New York and flew to Miami, Florida — by United Airlines, of course, to see CARLENE. She took us to the Everglades National Park and we drove along the Florida Keyes. Such a change in climate! We waded in the warm water of Miami Beach.

From Miami, we flew to Norfolk, Virginia to visit our oldest daughter's family. We visited many historical and interesting places in and around Norfolk. After five days there we flew back to the west coast, home, and our two children here.

## TUCSON CHAPTER Dorothy Jenkins, Reporter

The National Aerospace Council's conference, held here in Tucson, was a big success, with educators attending from every corner of this country. We are almost back to normal, finally, after the hectic days of helping SHIRLEY hostess the event.

SHIRLEY, incidentally, is Executive Officer of Arizona's Vanguard Squadron of Civil Air Patrol, and is spending week-ends giving orientation flights to C.A.P. cadets.

Several Tucson 99s attended the

aerobatic air show at Falcon Field in Mesa. MAGGIE SCHOCK flew with VIRGINIA EDWARDS and two nonpilots as passengers. PATSY and BOB BROOKS, with WANDA (El Paso) and AARON EMERSON as passengers, attended in their new Beech Baron. The word came third hand that PATSY would perform in another aerobatic air meet this last week-end. I mean to get more on that as soon as I can get her on the phone. That gal really goes!

MIRZA CLARK says she's done nothing all month but fly around in 720° power turns. As you undoubtedly have guessed, MIRZA is nearing her Commercial flight test. We wish her lots of luck.

BYRD GRANGER made up a tour guide to cover landmarks on the trip to Kitt Peak, which was a feature of the N.A.E.C. conference. It was such a success that she is going to make up guides for other routes and go into the business of furnishing them as a sideline to her U. of A. teaching.

Several from here are planning to attend the Sectional in Phoenix. Sounds like a winner, according to advance reports. The Phoenix Chapter has been working hard to furnish all kinds of goodies. Sure should be fun!

A group of Tucson 99s attended a press conference in the V.I.P. room of the Tucson International Airport, as part of the advance publicity for the International Exposition of Flight, scheduled to be held in Las Vegas, Nevada, on April 27, 28, 29, 30. We were delighted to meet PRIS. ALEX-ANDER of Las Vegas Chapter, who came along as 99 liaison member. We all had lunch at La Granada, and discussed the program and asked questions of CAPTAIN FRED AUSTIN, the Executive Director of the Exposition, which promises to be really great (I almost said "fabulous"). We must go!

VIRGINIA and KEN COOK, in their Comanche, and SYLVIA and IRVING BARTZ, in their Mooney, flew to an N.P.A. get-together at Page, Arizona. Boat trips on Lake Powell were a feature of Saturday, and at night, the usual banquet. The flight to Page involved a contest - estimating the exact amount of fuel to be consumed on the trip. Awards for the closest estimates were given at the dinner, and VIRGINIA was very pleased to be part of a tie for first place. Her prize was a silver plated spark plug. A tour of the dam on Sunday topped off what seems to have been a very interesting and enjoyable week-end.

#### UTAH CHAPTER

#### Lucile Christopherson, Reporter

A soft springtime gladness is filling our mountain valleys even though our ski resorts are reporting between 132 to 100 inches of beautiful skiing snow. We have had our portion of windy weather and gentle rains and all the earth is awakening, to the warmth of Spring.

Our April meeting was held at the home of GINI STREETER in Salt Lake City. A short business meeting was held and afterward some very fine films were shown to the group on "Radio and Navigation." These were new films which we obtained through the State Aeronautics Department. The following members were in attendance: NANCY REULING, GINI STREETER, ALBERTA NICHOLSON, LYLE BECKSTRAND, MAXINE NIELSON (also her guest, JOYCE CROW), JOY ROBISON, BARABRA BARLOW, MARJORIE PETERSON, KAY BEER, and JANE ANDREASON

CARYL KNOWLTON has not been with us for the past couple of weeks.

She is in Stockton with her mother, who is very ill.

LOUISE ANDERSON has been visiting in Lompoc, California and Vanderberg Air Force Base with her daughter who has proudly presented her with her fourth grandchild. It seems that the grandmother group in our club is growing — five of our gals boast of their new grandchildren.

Several of the girls are planning for the Sectional which is to be held in Phoenix. At the last count, four planeloads were expected to make the flight to Phoenix.

MAXINE NIELSON, our Air marking Chairman, has been making arrangements for future fly-ins to various airports for air marking activities. These have been successful events and it also gives the girls a chance to mark up additional flying hours.

Saturday, April 15th, it was planned for the group to fly to Provo so that they could attend the art exhibit at Springfield.

JOAN WILLIAMS is vacationing in Puerto Rico and we shall envy her warm suntan when she returns.

NANCY REULING and ALBERTA NICHOLSON have been very successful this past winter with the fundamentals of flight they have been teaching to their individual Explorer Scout posts. Usually these fellows are at an age of passive interest in most things but this has caught their imagination and we sincerely take our hats off to your two instructors.

MARJ MACKEY has been helping her father to complete their yearly benefit performance at the Valley Music Hall. This year the performance included such stars as JACK BENNY, etc. We are so proud that the various members of our group are actively engaged in civic work for the benefit of others.

BARBARA BARLOW will now have the opportunity of adding some 182 time to her log with her father's purchase of a new 182.

Must close — see you next month and with such wonderful flying weather in the offing, we hope to report much activity!!

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