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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

June 1952

DEAR NINETY-NINES:

When this News Letter reaches you, July 11-13 will be but a few weeks away - and I hope it finds you all busily engaged in those last minute preparations for the journey to Convention in Boston. Some of you will be heading for Santa Ana, California to fly east in the Sixth Annual All Women's Transcontinental Air Race to Teterboro, New Jersey. Others will be Florida bound to fly north to Welland, Ontario in the Fourth International Women's Race. (Information on this event is in this issue.)

Many of us are going to New York for the festivities in connection with the terminus of the TAR. All are welcome whether or not in the race, but be sure to make your reservations with the Park-Sheraton Hotel, and let MARJORIE B. DAVIS, TAR Terminus Chairman, know you are coming so she can plan accordingly. (Details on this in April and May News Letter.)

Final bulletin on Convention plans in Boston are in this issue but information on hotel rates, the Lawrence Airport, Air Routes and Land Routes, etc. will be found in the April and May News Letters. Again, be sure to make your reservations with the Sheraton-Plaza, and let SALLY DRIVER, Convention Hospitality Chairman know you are coming, so she and her committee can make the necessary arrangements for meals, transportation, etc.

Remember, Convention time is re-union time - so plan to come, renew those old Ninety-Nine friendships, make some new ones!

Many Chapters have approved Ninety-Nine items which they are selling. Be sure to bring these to Convention - a wonderful opportunity to sell these articles and take orders for more!

The Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Award for 1952 will be made at the Annual Banquet in Boston Saturday evening, July 12th. JEANNETTE SOVEREIGN is most anxious that all AE funds now on hand be sent to her at once so she can include them in her report at the Annual Meeting. Checks should be made to the order of the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund, and mailed to Jeannette at 2136 Center Avenue, Bay City, Mich.

EDNA GARDNER WHYTE, 324 Matubba Street, Aberdeen, Mississippi has been appointed Contest Committee Chairman, replacing KADDY LANDRY, who had agreed to be acting chairman of the committee until FRAN NOLDE'S replacement was named. All inquiries and information pertaining to flying contests and races held in the name of the Ninety-Nines should be co-ordinated with Edna.

An orchid to ARLENE DAVIS from the Women's National Aeronautic Association, which recently named her "Woman of the Year in Aviation."

It was my privilege last month to be invited to attend the Civil Air Patrol Congressional Dinner and Wing Commanders' Conference in Washington. Other Ninety-Nines who were also there in their capacity of Wing Co-ordinators of Women's Activities were MARILYN LINK, Nebraska, BETTY PETTIT, Indiana, BARBARA JENNISON, National Capitol Wing. FRANCES NOLDE, Advisor on Women's Activities to Major Lucas V. Beau, USAF, National CAP Commander, was hostess at a luncheon meeting to discuss women's and girls' participation in the Civil Air Program. JEAN ROSS HOWARD and BLANCHE NOYES were also at the Congressional Dinner.

Among the Ninety-Nines who are Wing Co-ordinators who could not attend are MARY FRANCIS, Oklahoma, SALLY LATHROP, Wisconsin and JOSEPHINE ALLISON, Texas. Josephine has been appointed Encampment Commander for the special encampment for Civil Air Patrol Girl Cadets at Lackland AFB, Texas. One outstanding girl, a senior in high school, has been selected to attend this two week encampment at the WAF training center. It certainly is gratifying to see so many Ninety-Nines among the Wing CAP Co-ordinators - for here they have a splendid opportunity to contribute in two important areas of Ninety-Nines activities, Air Age Education and Civil Defense!

Far Horizons continue to beckon our members! FRANCES NOLDE returned from Europe recently where she represented the NAA at the FAI Convention in Madrid. MARY FRANCIS, our Treasurer, has left with her children to join her 49 1/2er in Caracas, Venezuela for the summer. ELIZABETH SEWELL, 2801 NW 31st St., Oklahoma City 12, Oklahoma has been appointed acting Treasurer.

HAVE YOU MAILED YOUR BALLOT TO THE SECRETARY?? No ballots post-marked after June 30 are valid!

See you in Boston at Convention - wearing your 99 pin!!!!

Yours for the NINETY-NINES,

ALICE H. HAMMOND
President

SECRETARY'S CORNER

STENOYPIST FOR 1952 ANNUAL MEETING

As decided at the 1951 Annual Meeting: - "99's shall be given preference in considering applications for bids for the job of taking Minutes at the Annual Meeting."

Therefore, will any 99's who are interested in serving as Stenotypist at the 1952 Annual Meeting in Boston, submit their bids by June 25 to President Hammond, with a copy to me.

Jean Howard
Secretary

PLAN TO JOIN US IN NEW YORK CITY FOR

the activities connected with the All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race Terminus at Teterboro Airport, Teterboro, New Jersey. See April and May News Letters for details.

Write directly to Park Sheraton Hotel, New York City for reservations. Rates are very reasonable. Suites, large and comfortable, accommodate four for \$15.00 so you may bunk with another Ninety-Nine.

Major General William H. Tunner, USAF will speak at the AWARDS Dinner, July 10th. The MASS FLIGHT to Boston (Lawrence) on July 11th should be fun for all. Ninety-Nines not in the race should plan to fly in to Teterboro Airport and be on hand for the flight. Brunch at the Airport courtesy of the Port of New York Authority preceding the flight. Let's make it a big public occasion and move on to Boston for the Annual Meeting.

Please drop a note to Kay Brick, Norwood, New Jersey, if you plan to fly in to Teterboro so transportation can be arranged.

WELCOME TO NEW ENGLAND!

It won't be long now and we hope to welcome many 99's!

July 11th the girls who fly in to Lawrence will be greeted warmly. There will be a special registration there with proper ceremonies, followed by sandwiches and coffee. As soon as every one is in, there will be a tour (by car) of Lawrence and Andover to the points of interest. A period of relaxation will follow at the Andover Country Club. The entire club has been reserved so that there will be rooms to change in - you will want some kind of a dress with you - not formal.

A punch bowl party will be given on the porch of the club and then a broiled lobster dinner. Cars will take the girls to Boston when ready.

All free!

For those not flying themselves in, there is regular flight on Northeast Airlines daily from New York to Lawrence. You will be met at either Boston R.R. station or the airport - just let me know.

July 12 - the meetings, luncheon and banquet will all be at the Sheraton Plaza in Boston.

July 13 - you will have a choice: a daily boat to Provincetown which gives you two hours down there - a daily boat to Plymouth - daily boats to Revere and Nantasket beaches and tours around Boston proper and out to Lexington. City of Gloucester will provide transportation from Boston there and boats for a tour of the harbor.

At Gloucester there will be either a box luncheon or a clam bake. If the latter is provided there will be a slight charge but no charge on transportation on boats there. The first mentioned tours and trips vary in price but if twenty or more girls choose the same one there is a reduction in rate.

Since some approximation is needed for the Gloucester party, I would greatly appreciate it if you would drop me a postal - if you have any idea at all.

Repetition of Hotel Rates-European Plan

Cots in rooms	- \$2.50 each
Singles	- \$5.85 to \$9.85
Doubles	- \$8.80 to \$11.00
Twin Beds	- \$11.00 to \$15.00
Suites	- \$22.00 to \$30.00

Coffee Shop in hotel serves reasonable meals and there is a great variety of places in the neighborhood, some very interesting will be listed for you...at registration.

Your hosts in Lawrence are the Civic Government, Lawrence Airport Commission, Chamber of Commerce, and the Merrimack Valley Pilots Association.

Your hosts in Gloucester will be the Chamber of Commerce.

Sally T. Driver
1439 Great Pond Rd.,
North Andover, Mass.

Haven't heard from many of the State Chairmen on activity to date on the Airmarking project and although some of you are swamped with plans for the TAR and the 1952 Convention we'd like to hear from the others now and postpone hearing from the ones involved in the two big events until after they are finished. If each of the other State Chairmen (or Airmarking Chairman where one has already been appointed) will drop me a note immediately -- a postcard will do - and give me this information it will help a lot. First, name your Airmarking Chairman, jot down any good ideas you may have for a national publicity release on our project and then say "we have promoted and completed airmarkers," or "we have promoted and plan to complete airmarkers," or "we have repainted airmarkers," or "we have surveyed airmarkers and have them on our follow-up list to be checked periodically," etc.

We would like to send out a nationwide release on sort of a progress report to date on our airmarking program and need this information from each of you immediately.

You Chairmen whose Chapters have done such a good job on this project, be sure to put on the card also the plans that have made your campaign so successful so we can tell the other girls about them.

HELP A LOST PILOT -- it could be you!

Bobbe Slade
International Airmarking Chairman
(Care Cessna Aircraft Co.,
Wichita, Kansas)

HAVE YOU MAILED YOUR BALLOT?

The Nominating Committee submits the list of candidates for International Officers for the year 1952-53 together with brief biographical sketches, as follows:

For PRESIDENT (One to be elected)

ALICE HAMMOND (North Central Section) - Incumbent President. Active member of the Ninety-Nines for 20 years. International Secretary 2 years. International Treasurer 2 years. Governor of North Central Section, Editor of News Letter, Member of Executive Committee, Chairman Nominating Committee, Trustee AE Fund 4 years, Chairman AE Committee 2 years, Parliamentarian 4 years, Commercial Certificate, land, sea and instrument ratings. Taught instrument flying 1 1/2 years. Organized first All-Woman flying squadron CAP, Commander 3 years. Now Lt. Col. CAP, Coordinator of Women's Activities in Michigan Wing. Holder of CAP Meritorious Service award.

RUTH N. RUECKERT (Southwestern Section) - Member Ninety-Nines since 1930, founder Bay Cities Chapter and first Chairman. Vice-Governor of Southwestern Section 1937-1938, Governor 1938-1940, Treasurer, 1939-1940, Member of Nominating Committee; International Historian 3 years. Private pilot, radio license.

For VICE PRESIDENT (One to be elected)

GERALDINE MICKELSEN (Southwestern Section) - Started flying 1935. Joined Ninety-Nines 1937, WASP for 6 mos. Owns Bellanca and has over 1200 hours. Secretary Bay Cities Chapter 1 year, Treasurer 1 year, Chairman Sacramento Chapter 1 year. Governor Southwest Section 2 years. Vice-Governor 1 year. International Membership Board 1 year. Membership Chairman Southwestern Section 2 years. Currently serving on International Executive Board.

JEAN ROSS HOWARD (Middle Eastern Section) - Incumbent International Secretary. Chairman 2 years, publicity chairman, Washington, D.C. Chapter. Governor Middle Eastern Section 2 years. Employed as staff assistant, Helicopter Council, Aircraft Industries Association, Assistant PIO and Captain in CAP. Secretary of American Helicopter Society.

For SECRETARY (One to be elected)

DONNA TRACY MYERS (South Central Section) - Started flying 1936. First licensed woman pilot in Colorado. Now Assistant Secretary of Frontier Air Lines, Inc.

Served as Chairman Colorado Chapter and Governor South Central Section. Now International Membership Chairman for 2nd term.

LEONA McELROY (Middle Eastern Section) - Member since 1939. Has served as Chapter Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Chairman, Reporter, Vice-Governor of Middle Eastern Section, Co-chairman 99-NAA Investigating Committee.

For TREASURER (One to be elected)
LUCILE M. WRIGHT (New York-New Jersey Section) - Owned and operated own aircraft over 12 years. Over 1600 hours. Founded Jamestown (N.Y.) Chapter. CAP Courier during war. Chairman of Municipal Airport Commission.

ROSE GREENE ABBOTT (New England Section) - Immediate past Governor New England Section. Majored in Accounting in college.

For NOMINATING COMMITTEE (Five to be elected)
PHYLLIS KLOTZ (Canadian Section) Born in Ottawa, Canada, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Camsell. Graduated from Toronto University in 1933 where she had taken an active part in undergraduate activities. Member of Delta Gamma and president of its Alpha Gamma Chapter 1932-33. Married Dr. Max Klotz of Ottawa in 1935 and has two children, a boy and a girl. Obtained Private License in 1946 and presently is President of Ottawa Flying Club for a third term. Also served two years as Director of O.F.C. Is an active member of the Ottawa Ski Club and Ottawa Valley Hunt Club. One of the original organizers and first Governor of Canadian Section, Ninety-Nines.

JEAN PEDEN SWARTWOOD (Middle Eastern Section) - Has commercial, instructor's, multi-engine. Won AE scholarship. Over 1300 hours. Now instructor and office manager at Port Meadville. Charter member and first chairman Meadville Chapter. Secretary of Middle Eastern Section, now Vice-Governor. Won Albany-New York leg Powder Puff Derby, 1949.

FAYE D. KIRK (North Central Section) - Member Ninety-Nines since 1934. Has good record of attendance at section meetings and national convention.

DARLENE THURMOND (Southwestern Section) - Commercial pilot approximately 3000 hours. Single Engine land, single engine sea, multi-engine land, instrument and flight instructor. CAA private pilot examiner. Was aircraft saleswoman, aviation photography and writer. Now instrument flight instructor San Diego.

DOROTHY SHACKELFORD (Southeastern Section) - (No biography received)

MARJORIE B. DAVIS (New York-New Jersey Section) - Vice-Governor and Governor of New England Section. International Treasurer 2 years. Now serving on Executive Committee and as Chairman of Headquarters Committee. Member of International Membership Committee and Nominating Committee. Executive Secretary National Nursing Council during war period. Department of State and Red Cross appointee to several foreign countries. Educational Consultant, Bordeaux Schools, Bordeaux, France. Chairman of 1952 International Air Race Terminus Committee.

TRUSTEE OF AMELIA EARHART SCHOLARSHIP FUND - (One to be elected)

MARY FRANCIS - (South Central Section) - International treasurer 2 years.

MARJORIE FAUTH (Southwestern Section) - International treasurer 2 years.



STUDYING THE ROUTE

MARDO CRANE, Chairman 1952 All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race Committee; ROBERT TAYLOR, MGM star and Navy flier, Honorary Starter, 1952 Race; ANNE ROMBEAU, 1952 Trail Blazer for All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race.

Department of the Air Force
Office of the Chief of Staff
United States Air Force
Washington, D.C.

1 May 1952

Mrs. Mardo Crane
AWTAR, Inc.,
1407 1/2 Camden Ave.,
W. Los Angeles 25, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Crane:

It is good news to learn that the All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race will be flown again this year. In each of the five transcontinental races flown since 1947 the cause of aviation in the United States has been advanced.

Of course, the ability of women in the field of flying is well known in the Air Force. In World War II the Women Auxiliary Service Pilots of the Army Air Forces successfully flew every type of aircraft we had. During the two years of their existence, they fulfilled with distinction their ferrying assignments and made a substantial contribution to the winning of the war.

In flying the Sixth Annual All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race the fact will once more be demonstrated that American women pilots can undertake exacting flights and complete them with safety and efficiency. I send the good wishes of the Air Force and my personal hope that this year's event will mark a new high point in a noteworthy series.

Sincerely,

(signed) Hoyt S. Vandenberg

HOYT S. VANDENBERG
Chief of Staff
United States Air Force

CHAPTER NEWS

NEW YORK - NEW JERSEY SECTION

By: Lois Fairbanks

Just a few notes about our members: Betty Haight, our Secretary, has just received her commercial license - Congratulations; Kay Tisza, about to have the cast removed from her leg, result of ice and skis meeting the wrong way last March; Charlotte Zundel on her way to California - let us know where; Helen Stone in Kentucky; Marjorie Gray, TV guest of Buff and Mike along with Casey Jones, Gil Robb Wilson, Bob Johnson of Republic and Capt. John Kelly, Marine Ace from Korea - subject: Why Are People No Longer Interested in Aviation - consensus: too costly, no longer a novelty, kids getting "space" minded!

Our last meeting was held at the 77th Regiment Armory and we saw a fine movie on the History of British Jet Aviation. So glad to see all the following: Ethel Fedders in from Buffalo; Ann Piggott and 49 1/2er back

INTERNATIONAL AIR RACE

Florida - to Welland, Ontario, Canada

July 4, 1952

Prizes - \$500 - \$400 - \$300 - \$200 - \$100

Handicap same as 1951 by Kaddy Landry

Trophies, prizes, parade, buffet
and banquet - trip to Niagara Falls

Entry fee for 99's - \$20 - non-members, \$30

For entry blanks, write

Elaine Mogelvang
Box 291, Lockhart, Florida

in New York - guests of Marjorie Gray; Catherine Meara and Margaret O'Mara of the Curtis Wright Aeronautical Corporation..Margaret is a charter member of the 99's; also Marjorie's guests, Mr. and Mrs. Placek, who have their ship at Blairstown, New Jersey; Peggy McGraw who dropped in to say Hello.

It was wonderful to see Novetah Davenport looking so well after her ordeal. As you probably know by now, Nove was a survivor of the Pan-American crash in Puerto Rico. She is back on the job handling the publicity for the 99's for the Air Race Terminus Committee.

The gals are working mighty hard under Marjorie Davis' direction and a wonderful time is ready for you here in New York. See you then.

M I D D L E E A S T E R N S E C T I O N

MEADVILLE CHAPTER

By: Vega Insen

Our May meeting was held at the home of Jean Swartwood in Meadville. Those attending were Toby Lord, Marian Freund, Betty DeVore, Marge Cook, Harriette Mosbacher, Vega Insen and our hostess.

We made some nice plans for future activities at this meeting. First, we are looking forward to painting airport identification on one of the hangars at Meadville sometime in June or July. We hope everybody will be on hand for Operation Paintbrush when the call goes out!

Also, we made tentative plans for a breakfast flight to Youngstown. The date is as yet unannounced, but it will very likely be during the latter part of June. More about this later on - and let's all try to join in on this flight.

After the meeting was adjourned, Jean served us some delicious cake, ice cream and coffee. Next meeting will be at the home of Chairman Marge Cook, so, see you all then!

Josephine Weaver writes that she is moving to Brookville soon; and will be living not too far from the airport there. She extends a kind invitation to us all to fly or drive in sometime...thanks, Jo.

Harriette Mosbacher, husband and son expect to drive to California in June...happy motoring, and we'll see you in July, Harriette.

WASHINGTON, D.C. CHAPTER

By: Barbara Jenison

The Washington Chapter's April meeting was held on a rainy night at the home of our chairman, Mitzi Moore. Because of the weather, not many girls attended. They discussed the section meeting which we hope to hold here the last week in September.

Instead of our regular meeting in May, we went to the very interesting dinner meeting of the Washington Air Derby Association, Inc., held at the Officers' Club of the Bethesda Naval Hospital. Congressman Peter Mack told the story of his solo flight around the world in a Bonanza. Among those attending were Claire Callaghan, Jean Howard, Mary Jane Sasala, Hope Howard, Perry Robinson, Billie Cain, Louise Kidd, and Ada Mitchell, who is one of the Washington Air Derby Association's most active members. In addition, the following members and their 49 1/2ers were also there: Mitzi Moore, Cy Beers, Marjorie Howard and Barbara Jenison.

We are happy to welcome Barbara Ward back to Washington, as we missed her during the year she spent in India. Barbara is now Mrs. Joseph Lazarsky. Her 49 1/2er is a captain in the Air Force, and they met in India. A nice travel dividend!

Several members from other chapters were in Washington the middle of May to attend the annual conference of wing commanders and the National Executive Board of the Civil Air Patrol; namely, Alice Hammond, Fran Nolde, Betty Pettitt, and Marilyn Link. Unfortunately the conference kept them so busy that they didn't have any free time, so we were unable to have a get-together with the Washington Chapter, but Jean Howard and I were fortunate enough to see them at the conference, and also the congressional dinner.

Our June meeting will be two weeks early so that it will not be too close to the International Convention. Be seeing you there.

S O U T H E A S T E R N S E C T I O N

CAROLINAS CHAPTER

By: Dorothy Shackelford

Since returning from our Southeastern Section meeting in Brunswick, Georgia a month ago, I have been completely grounded while my beloved Bonanza is undergoing a major (engine) operation. I am realizing what complete frustration it must be to know you cannot fly. So this month I am a little short on news.

Frances Miller, in addition to her usual duties running a flying service, has been busy with Civil Air Patrol, putting on a Search and Rescue mission from her airport, which is quite an undertaking. She could not make the Section meeting because at that time she was engaged in hauling home a Cub that a student had cracked up in Georgia after running out of gas. Never a dull moment but many a headache in the flying business.

Caroline and Les Hembel are back from a trip to New York in their Stinson. Their two cute children, who flew before they could crawl, went with them.

I wish I could see Edith Long and 49 1/2er Odell, who recently returned from the flight to the Virgin Isles with the Columbia Aero Club. From what I can gather, it was a wonderful trip, though pretty hair-raising with the long over-water flights and the rest of the time over completely wild and uninhabited country, much of it mountainous. Nevertheless, it must have been a grand and unforgettable experience.

And speaking of voyagers, a letter from Amalie in the Galapagos Islands tells of an interesting author aboard writing a book about their Pacific voyage and of the British couple who own the yacht, who are busy photographing for National Geographic Magazine. Some future issue may show Stone perched atop a Galapagos knoll. She writes: "Easter finds me a thousand miles from Panama. We are at a lovely anchorage just off the isle of Santa Cruz. Having spent the past month or so exploring these enchanted islands, as they are called, we plan to sail away next week for the South Seas." Isn't it unbelievable that this should be happening to some one we know and not just some sea saga from the magic pen of an imaginative author.

Our chairman has had to postpone the June meeting so now we will not get together until after the International Convention in July. But let's as many as possible, plan to meet at the convention in Boston. Those of you who have never been will find it a very enriching experience and will get a much better understanding of what it means to be a Ninety-Nine.

TENNESSEE CHAPTER

By: Evelyn Bryan

We were very happy to have Louise Smith of the Carolinas Chapter with us at our meeting in Chattanooga. The meeting was held in conjunction with the National Pilots Meet and Races May 17 and 18. Members who were present were Patricia Burnett, Cora McDonald, Sarah Duke, Georgianna McConnell, Helen Deason, Ruth Thomas, Vivian Welter and Evelyn Bryan. Part of us arrived in time to get our picture in the paper standing with Mr. Steve Whitman and his famous Midget Racer. All of us were invited to participate in the parade held just before the Airshow. We rode in a convertible with "99's" painted on the sides.

Our next meeting is planned for Nashville early in August. This is to be a week-end meeting. Hope every member will plan to be there.

Jane and Louis Hilbert have bought a beautiful Beech Bonanza. We will be expecting Jane to attend our meetings from now on.

Virginia Carey is taking her Commercial Ground School work at Middle Tennessee State Teachers College, with Miller Lanier as her instructor.

Those of us who are planning to enter TAR can think of nothing else except the race. Hope the members we have not heard from recently will send us a card and let us know what they are doing. We would like to include news of them in the next News Letter.

N O R T H C E N T R A L S E C T I O N

ALL-OHIO CHAPTER
By: Blanche O'Brien

The May meeting of the All-Ohio Chapter was held at Springfield with Virginia Ashelford as hostess. Flying activities Chairman, Alice Schlott, had a bomb dropping contest, also asked which girl had observed the most air markers on her way to the meeting. Prizes were won by Chairman Blanche O'Brien and Elizabeth Wilcox.

We were glad to see Ann Ash, Marge Gorman and Irma Line from Mansfield, and welcomed three new members, Alice Alles from North Benton, Martha Wilcox from Alliance who flew with Alice Schlott, and Edythe Maxim from Cleveland who flew with Arlene Davis.

The chief topic at the business meeting was the TAR. As you know Dayton Municipal airport at Vandalia is one of the designated landing fields. We hope many of the girls will choose to stop here. Mildred Harshman has arranged for free lunch for racers, also transportation to hotel for overnight guests has been arranged by Chamber of Commerce. And prizes, too.

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to the Indiana Chapter for a grand Sectional Meeting. Our Ohio 99's attending were Arlene Davis, Mary Fecser, Joan Hrubec, Helen Patrick, Virginia Ashelford, Alice Schlott, Martha Wilcox, Bonnie Butler, Marion Betzler, Jeanne Hunt, Marjorie Miller, Edith Harmon, and Blanche O'Brien.

Following the business meeting and lunch, Mary Grimes of the Ohio Aviation Board gave a talk on Civil Defense. 'Twas a very fine meeting.

MICHIGAN CHAPTER
By: Faye D. Kirk

No gasoline, no flying, no meeting, no news. Seems for months on 99 Sunday we have had sleet and snow, so when nice weather comes, what happens, no gasoline! and we have to cancel our May meeting. Oh well, this can't go on forever.

Helen Pelto is planning to be married August 2d to Jack Kinley and honeymoon at Mackinac Island. All of us who were there for the International last summer know what a lovely spot they have chosen.

There will be a June meeting in Hillsdale, and a July meeting -

Helen Anderson and Lucille Quamby are hoping to enter the TAR. Good luck girls, we are rooting for you.

We are looking forward to the International meeting in Boston.

Come on, girls, let's all go. We have points to make, you know. Return your card and wear your pin.

ILLINOIS CHAPTER
By: Jessie Gronowski

So we have chalked up our first fly-in for 1952!! The event took place as scheduled at Meigs Field (the Northernly Isle Airstrip) on Sunday, May 18th. Betty Volk was "hostess" on home grounds and served coffee and rolls. We had an interesting time in the control tower, and then got down to business in another room.

Most of the time was taken up in Sectional talk - talk about the Sectional just past in Indiana and of the Sectional of the future fall meeting. Seems like we are "it"!!! Plans will be taking shape quickly 'cuz we sincerely want to show you girls a real good time. We have already decided on the DelPrado Hotel which is near the lakefront on the South Side of the Windy City. Owner Bob Langford has a beautiful Navion -- and even an air-marker on the hotel roof! Now if any of you are arriving by helicopter, park it up there and buzz for the elevator. Seriously, we know you will like this spot, and want you to save the date for the trip to Chicago - probably the first or second week-end in October - which should be marvelous flying weather. More details in next News Letter.

We are gonna' be awful busy gals this summer. In spite of hosting at the Sectional and all, the girls still want their air-meet -- this is slated for a week-end near Labor Day.

At our next meeting - another fly-in - Esther Noffke hopes to have a Cub from Priester's at Palwaukee Airport on Sunday, June 8th - and have all the girls make a spot landing. Some of us are going to be very rusty on this!

Alice Kudrna reports that her Brookfield Wing Scouts are now a detached squadron of C.A.P. cadets and she is going to teach them ground school this summer. Nice work, Alice.

All of a sudden a couple of us get publicity in the grand manner from the Chicago Tribune. Yours truly was chosen "Cook of the Month" and awarded \$100.00. Had a whole

half-page on the Women's Page. Two days later, Doris Langer is spread all over the same page! Nice article on Doris and how long she had been flying, her job with Link trainers at United Air Lines, and past experiences.

Esther Noffke is real happy about her first ATR students who passed their tests. She is instructing Multi-engine Land in a Widgeon at Elmhurst.

Marjorie Raglin, our hard-working gal from Crystal Lake is leaving us for the summer months to work for Art Curry at Galesburg Municipal Airport. She is hoping to get her Commercial, and if I know Marjorie, she'll get it. She has offered to keep up her duties as Treasurer and getting out the announcements - thanks so much - and for all the other favors, too!

We are all so happy for Betty Morgan and "Doc." They have adopted a baby boy, and we all know that little fellow will be very well taken care of.

Irene Leverton has lost her heart to the Aero-Commander. Not only did she get a chance to fly it, but she flew it with the Chief Test Pilot and Flight Engineer at Oklahoma City where they are manufactured. She has made us all envious and anxious to get a ride in this new ship. Fix it up, Irene?

MINNESOTA CHAPTER
By: Marietta Sonnenberg

Eight members and six guests attended the May meeting way out in Western Minnesota at Mary Jane Rice's beautiful home in Willmar. Her husband operates the airport there. Colored travel movies were shown by their friend Sidney Strong. Gals got their pics taken again for another newspaper.

The chapter voted to contribute \$10 again to the TAR, and sent another check to the Amelia Earhart fund - this time \$28.46. Bernice Schrader of Illinois won the Northern Minnesota weekend contributed thru our chapter at the Sectional meet in Fort Wayne.

Evelyn Knowlton has been appointed our new Civil Defense Chairman; Secretary Audrey Baird and Chairman Marietta Sonnenberg have written to 41 women in Minnesota who are former 99 members, prospective members, or at least flew at one time.

Personal notes: Bea Brand had a perfect trip to Tucson, Phoenix and Fort Worth recently (for 6 weeks) in her Cessna 140 - all alone! Pat Murphy is now taking stewardess training with Northwest Airlines.

That's all for now!

INDIANA CHAPTER
By: Joan Ferguson

The May meeting of the Indiana Chapter was held at the Muncie Airport on the 25th with our chapter secretary as hostess. Mr. Clyde Shockly of the Muncie Airport graciously fed us at the airport and furnished us with a room for the business meeting. Since we have had nothing but rain for the last week, it couldn't do anything but rain today, but we had 15 members in attendance.

If any of you other chapters care to rent the printing cut, we had made of the compass rose for our sectional meeting, we will rent it out for \$1.00. The size is approximately 4" x 4" and Lois Whitney (Mrs. Richard) of R.R. 3, Muncie, Indiana has it.

We discussed plans for transportation, etc., when the TAR comes through Terra Haute the 6th and 7th of July and several of us are planning to be there to greet the girls as they come in. So far we have free gasoline for them and hope to have more things by July!

The June meeting of the Indiana Chapter will be held on the 22d at Freeman Field, Seymour, Indiana where we will help put on another Kiddie Airlift, in conjunction with

the Flying Farmers, Civil Air Patrol and the Indiana Aeronautics Commission.

SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION

COLORADO CHAPTER
By: Donna Myers

The annual May breakfast of the Colorado Chapter for members and their 49 1/2ers was held at the Aviation Country Club May 4. After gorging on hot cakes, sausages, bacon, eggs, coffee cake, coffee, etc., Chairman Collett shooed us out into the gardens where we settled down with a cool drink (it was 83° in Denver that day) and she then turned the program over to vice-chairman Jane Nettleblad.

Jane introduced our guest speaker, Mr. Al Goddard, Civil Aeronautics Administration Safety Agent, and Mrs. Goddard. Mr. Goddard straddled a chair and just sat and talked good down-to-earth hangar flying.

His theme was "Progress in Aviation" and he simply chatted along, and we felt free to ask questions from time to time. He pointed out that it is sometimes hard to realize since we are all in aviation in some way, that fifty years ago there was no aviation industry - no airplanes, no pilots - no airways. That - flying has come to us during our lifetime. He pointed out our date of aviation "life" - 1903 when the Wright Brothers flew their first airplane - since that time we have developed a system of control, we have trained pilots, we have installed airways, we have put instruments in aircraft. He further pointed out a most progressive step in the new C.A.A. type private pilot examination, which includes planning a cross country trip and which should result in greater safety for the private pilot, in that he will know how to fly cross country safely. Mr. Goddard entertained us further with anecdotes of his early flying. 'T'was a wonderful meeting.

The June fly-in meeting has been sorta curtailed due to the oil strike - so it may result in a luncheon at the airport.

We were greatly disappointed when weather prevented our Governor, Ama Lee Jameson, from coming on up to Denver from Albuquerque where she had met with New Mexico girls and Arizona girls, along with a number of other Texas members who flew to ABQ to reactivate the New Mexico Chapter. She was due in May 18 - weather - she tried it May 19 - but the passes were socked in between Denver and Albuquerque. We had all the gals gathered to have a Chinese dinner with her - we'll try for better weather, Ama Lee, next time. And she has promised to visit us in July.

Lucia Jolliff, Rusty McLean, and Margaret Hughes were all on the CAP Search and Rescue Missions when a B-25 crashed near Denver recently.

Mildred Zimmerman and her husband from the Eastern Pennsylvania Chapter were in Denver recently and called Mary Collett who met and had lunch with them.

That does it - see you next month - at the convention, we hope.

KANSAS CHAPTER
By: Helen M. Puffer

The Kansas Chapter Board of Directors, consisting of Anne Waddell, Margaret Ash, Marion Hardman, Helen Simmons and Bobbe Slade met at the Simmons home in Abilene May 17th and decided that:

1. Marge Cooper would be Kansas State Airmarking Chairman.
2. Meeting locations for the next five months, all airmarking projects.
3. Any time one of our meetins is rained out, the following Sunday will be rain date, and if it rains this Sunday, the meeting for the month will be canceled.
4. June 6th and 7th is the Kansas Flying Farmers meeting in Hutchinson and at that time the Kansas 99's will pass on from Babe Neel, present Queen of the Flying Farmers, to the new Queen, through us, our 99 rotating trophy. One of our officers will be there to make the presentation.
5. We are needing a second set of airmarking templates and Marian Hardman offered to have her lumber company make a new set at a minimum cost to us. This will give us a set for the Eastern part of the state and a set for the Western part of the state.

The Junction City meeting of May 18th was a very successful affair after a bad start. Mayor C.A. Mohn and a City Commissioner were at the airport to meet us at 10 o'clock and none of us were there yet so they left and cancelled

our lunch. It had only stopped raining at 9:00 so we didn't get there until 11:00. Then we couldn't decide whether to airmark or not since it was still wet. After about a dozen ayes and naves, with Roy Simmons carrying supplies back and forth from airplane to car just as many times, we decided to eat and then paint. Mable Price, wife of the airport manager, took us to the Chicken House for chicken-on-a-tray -- yum yum! Then Tiny Lutz, member of the Aviation Committee of the Junction City Chamber of Commerce, together with approximately six CAP cadets, helped lay out and paint aluminum on top of the Fire Department Building (since it twas so late by that time, Mr. Lutz told us they would paint the orange on for us within the next few days). It threatened to rain and completely wash our aluminum paint away all the time we were painting, but it didn't. Dr. Smiley, a licensed pilot and M.D. of Junction City, helped Roy take some pictures or our group. Those present were B. Alde, M. Ash, H. Simmons and Roy, A. Waddell, M. Hardman, V. Sheppard, Pat Dufford and H. Puffer.

Virginia Sheppard will be leaving us in August to intern for a year as medical tech at Minneapolis General Hospital. Luck - Virginia.

Pat Dufford is now a licensed pilot, having earned her ticket on Easter Sunday. Congratulations, Pat.

Special Invite -- from Helen Simmons to all of us to see General Ike in Abilene on June 4th. There will be a dedication of the home in the A.M. and a political speech in the park in the P.M. Helen won't guarantee a handshake but if you want to battle the mob to get up there, you can.

Marian Hardman has returned from her trip to Europe. She went the northern route by way of London and Paris and came home the southern route through Lisbon, etc. She flew both ways, visited 10 countries and was gone three weeks.

Helen Simmons has been appointed Chairman of the South Central Section Nominating Committee.

OKLAHOMA CHAPTER
By: Beth Smith

Our weekend at Lake Murray Lodge near Ardmore, Oklahoma was well attended as usual by our members, their families, friends and 99 members from other chapters. Imogene Arnot, Ida Carter, Broneta Davis, Rita Eaves, Mary Francis, Ruth Harris, Florine Hayes, Ruth Jones, Dorothy Morgan, Elizabeth Sewell, Beth Smith and Velma Woodward represented our chapter. Martha Ann Reading and Jo Allison came up from Texas and Mildred and Robert Carney made the trip from Shreveport. We were glad to have Jerry Cobb of Ponca City, a prospective member, with us part of the time.

Lake Murray Lodge has been selected for the South Central Fall Sectional Meeting and Ruth Jones (Chairman), Ida Carter and Ruth Harris of Ardmore, will have charge of the affair.

A girl from Stephens College was the proud winner of our trophy at the Intercollegiate Air Meet at Stillwater on May 10th, which was presented by Emily Frost. Plans are being "cooked up" now for a spot landing contest on June 29th at Stillwater between the Flying Business Men of the city and the Oklahoma 99s.

Just don't know how to describe the scrap book given by Broneta Davis to our chapter - sure is wonderful and sweet of her to do it. We are looking forward to a "scrap book party" but right now are concentrating our efforts on the TAR reception in Oklahoma City.

Elizabeth Sewell and Mary Francis reported they were happy to see Helen Puffer of Wichita on May 22d, when she dropped in out of the sky.

TEXAS CHAPTER
El Paso Unit
By: Florence McDermott

Ruby Hays and Ruth Deerman represented the El Paso Unit at the Fort Worth 99 meeting, which was well attended and well organized, they reported.

Three of the five Fort Worth members spark-plugged the meeting which drew President Alice Hammond and husband all the way from Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan.

The 600 mile flight from El Paso to Fort Worth gave Ruth a chance to check her new gyro compass. In Fort Worth, the visiting Ninety-Nines were treated to a cocktail party and dinner at Eagles Nest Lake. Headquarters was Fort Worth's famed and new Western Hills Hotel.

Mineral Wells was selected as the fall meeting site.

El Paso Ninety-Nines plan to fly to Albuquerque on May 19th to help re-activate the chapter there comprised of fliers in Albuquerque and Santa Fe. They will be assisted by Tucson and Phoenix members who will fly in the same day After May, El Paso emembers will be fairly well scattered on vacations.

Doris Powers plans to leave with husband Pat for a tour of the Hawaiian Islands. Dottie Blackham flew to England for a biref visit with her husband who was called back to active Air Force duty and sent to England. Ruth and Ruby leave for Portland, Ore., and are yet undecided whether it will be in Ruth's or Ruby's Plane, an airliner, or the train.

Ruby, who heads the El Paso Unit, will have her name on the 1952 spot landing cup first. She won the May spot landing contest.

MISSOURI VALLEY CHAPTER

By: Dorothy Higbee

Because of the Missouri River flood conditions and poor weather, our April meeting was postponed to April 27th when a number of Ninety-Nines flew to Grand Island for meeting and lunch at the Municipal Airport.

During the flood, several of the Omaha members had to fly their planes out of the Omaha Municipal Airport and hangar them at other airports on higher ground until the river level had receded to normal.

The May meeting was held on the 18th at the Omaha Municipal Airport, with seven members present. Dorothy Reed was appointed Nominating Chairman for our coming annual election of officers. Following the meeting, the group had lunch at the airport restaurant, Hayden House.

Belle Hetzel has recently returned from an air tour of South America and Mexico and reports a wonderful time.

The June meeting will be Sunday, June 22d - a morning flight to Hastings, Nebr. There will be a spot-landing contest for those participating in the flight. Hope many of our Ninety-Nines can be present.

S O U T H W E S T E R N S E C T I O N

LAS VEGAS CHAPTER

By: Martha Lundy

The high light of the month of May in this area was the Spring Sectional Meeting at San Diego. The San Diego Chapter did the outstanding job we have all learned to expect from it, and I'm sure there has never been a more successful meeting in this section. Esther Stone and Martha Lundy, with their respective 49 1/2ers, flew down to San Diego for the meeting, and we wish to congratulate the San Diego Chapter and thank all the girls for a wonderful time.

Our chairman, Solange D'Hooghe, eloped to Kingman, Arizona last month and was married. Her new 49 1/2er's name is William Benedetti.

The Las Vegas Chapter celebrated its second birthday with a buffet supper at the new office of Alamo Airways at McCarran Field, instead of at McNeil Ranch, as first planned. Forty-nine and one-halfers were invited and both members and guests participated in an impromptu floor show. Peg Crockett's house was ransacked for appropriate (?) costumes and the whole affair was a howling and hilarious success.

Doris Eacret and Helen McIntosh (Doris belongs to the Utah Chapter) are entered in the AWTAR and have the No. 1 position. They have been to Los Angeles on matters concerning their publicity and are, of course, anxious to get set and be on their way. Esther Stone and Joyce Failing are madly making plans for the race, but so far as I can find out, haven't had a number assigned to them yet. They do, however, have their plane, their sponsor, and a decision on their uniform-or costume, which is it? The very best of luck to all of you!

We are expecting Gerry Mickelsen, Rita Hart and Marg Fauth here on May 29th, and plans are under way for entertaining them to the very best of our ability. It has never been our luck to have three grander people visit us. We will be at the airport with a big "Howdy Pardners" for them.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CHAPTER

By:

Billie Wyatt attended the Spring Sectional meeting in San Diego. She reports a very wonderful time was had at the beautiful Hotel Manor and the San Diego Chapter really displayed a spirit of hospitality and cooperation among its members. San Diego, we salute you!

On May 18th our Wing Scouts were presented with their wings. A picnic luncheon was served in the Girl Scout clubhouse preceding the ceremony. Gerry Mickelsen and Ann Ensenauer brought their Wing Scouts down from Sacramento for the day. Margaret Callaway and daughter Sandra, who is a student pilot, flew in from Travis Air Force Base, Irmyle Fitzgearl came in from Porterville in her 140 Cessna, Ethel Hieland arrived from Merced in a Cub Trainer as 49 1/2er Bob had taken to the skyways in their Luscombe, Laura Mae Crawford of Hughson and Frances Dias of Newman and Billie Wyatt, Ev Hendley and Dottie Houghton represented Modesto. We hope to be able to sponsor the Wing Scouts again next year.

Modesto 99's had the pleasure of meeting Diana Bixby and 49 1/2er from Long Beach recently. They flew a charter trip to Modesto with their C 47 for the California Relays that were being held here. Hope they don't wait for another relay meet before they visit us again.

Ev Hendley and 49 1/2er Walt flew to San Diego for 3 days of deep sea fishing last week. Seems the fish had just quit biting before they got there. They report some very beautiful flying weather though and methinks the fish were just an excuse to get airborne for a few days.

Irmyle Fitzgearl and 49 1/2er Clark attended the Holiday on Wings flight to Furnace Creek.

Jean Vincent, Alice McPherson, and Billie Wyatt and 49 1/2ers made a picnic flight to Columbia on May 11th.

On May 17th, Frances Dias, Hazel "immerman, Ev Hendley and Billie Wyatt attended a Bay Cities Chapter meeting held at the lovely home of Adele Chase in the Berkely Hills. We enjoyed meeting a number of 99's whom we have read about but never seen. Wish we could do more visiting of other chapters.

Several of our 99's attended the American Legion fly-in to Merced last Sunday.

Hazel Zimmerman and 49 1/2er and Gary and Gaye have left for a months tour of the eastern states, via the highways.

Alice McPherson, Jean Vincent and 49 1/2ers flew to Capitola Sunday for a swim in the ocean and to escape our present heat wave in the valley.

If plans mature, our Chapter is going to have a very high percentage in attendance at the International Convention. Our slogan: Boston or Bust.

See you in Boston!

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY

By: Trixie-Ann G. Schubert

In honor of Belle Young, killed Easter Sunday when flying her plane, the San Fernando Valley Ninety-Nines will establish a Belle Young Trophy, the annual award to be presented to the pilot or co-pilot in the TAR elected by the girls themselves as showing the most outstanding sportsmanship. Any qualified contestant in the race, pilot or co-pilot, will be eligible - the final decision to be made by secret ballot.

The May meeting was held at Jeanne Strahl's new Encino home. Jeanne and John's next project is a Cessna 140. Jeanne has just won the Howard Hughes tennis trophy for doubles (she works at Hughes Aircraft) and is probably one of the first Ninety-Nines to ride in the Canadian jet airliner.

Anne Grogan, a member of the San Diego Ninety-Nines since 1949, has transferred to the San Fernando Valley Chapter with her move here. San Diego's loss: our gain. Also at the meeting was Norma Leenerts, for the first time without the cast on the leg she broke skiing a few months ago. Anne Rambo was on the Knudsen Dairy Company Women's Forum radio program in L.A. and will do an end of the month radio short on her philosophy of living.

Irma Story, who commutes from Lancaster for the 99 meets, will fly the Girl Wing Scouts sponsored by our chapter.

Roberta Smith, employed at the San Fernando Valley Airport in Van Nuys, was one of the officials at the May 18th Spring Roundup.

Katherine Wagner is busy working on her instrument and commercial ratings.

SAGUARO CHAPTER
By: Bonnie Fugitt

Bombs away! And another bomb landed mighty close to the target. No, we're not in Korea! This all happened at Paradise Airport, Phoenix. Sunday, May 25, was the date of our "bomb dropping" contest and the seven members present were Ethelind Woodhouse, Juanita Newell, Melba Beard, Betty Knier, Wilma Bland, Marjy Crowl and Bonnie Fugitt. Considering that this was our first experience as "bombardiers," everyone made a good showing although none of the paper-bag-and-flour-bombs landed right on the target. Melba won first prize for dropping the bomb nearest the target, Juanita was a close second, Ethelind won third prize and Betty the fourth. 49 1/2ers Bill Bland and Harold Woodhouse were the brave scorekeepers who checked our accuracy. We decided it was so much fun we would try it again soon. Furthermore, we want to become proficient so that in an emergency, we could be more useful in civil defense work. Also, in order that we may work with civil defense in a disaster, we have planned (1) that we keep our licenses current and our planes airworthy, (2) that we try to get in more spot landing practice and cross country experience, (3) that we all have first air training.

We are all proud of our Chapter Chairman, Ethelind Woodhouse, who was chosen Flying Farmer Queen to represent Arizona and received a beautiful trophy. Those "Flying Woodhouses" are planning on trading their faithful little Cessna 140 for a brand new Cessna 170 very soon. May they have as much fun with their new plane as they did with the other one.

The May business meeting was held at the home of Berniece Jesperson. Main topic of discussion was our plans for the race contestants who will stop over in Phoenix in July.

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER
By: Monie Dye

The San Diego Chapter has long been noted for its graciousness and for the alacrity shown in accomplishing difficult problems. These qualities were much in evidence at the Spring Sectional meeting May 3 and 4th, when the San Diego girls received the Southwestern chapters at the beautiful Manor Hotel.

The Los Angeles Chapter members present at the meeting were Chairman Mary Kitson, Mardo Crane, Lee Morrow, Julie (Hale) Culbert, Valdemay Warne, Joanna Leschin and Monie Dye.

Our chapter met again May 19, this time for its business meeting, in the Naval Auditorium at Santa Monica Municipal Airport. Two films were shown, "The Air Age," and "The Wonder Jet."

Mardo Crane introduced the guests of honor, Mollie McAllister (advertising) and Lauren Lord (publicity) of Wynn Oil Co., which will co-sponsor the Trail Blazer in this year's air race.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER
By: Betty Lambert

San Diego Chapter 99s were invited to participate in the KCBQ radio program "Ladies First." This is an audience participation program of games and fun and is heard over ABC and Mutual networks at 1:30 pm Monday through Friday.

Our rummage sale lasted from 8:30 until noon and we cleared \$88. Donna Davis was in charge, assisted by Ern Stanley, Amy Changnon, Claire Hale, and our brand new member, Mary Carolyn (Mickey) Young. Mickey's talented salesmanship should be an asset to our chapter.

Our fourth annual Aviation Dance is going to be June 21st at the San Diego Hotel. Ilsa McCrae is in charge.

Among our chapter members planning for the TAR are Betty Gillies, Isabelle McCrae, Lowanda Gabriel, Lois Bartling, Thelma Bishop, Joan Lovett, Claire Hale and Betty Lambert. (Comment by Lambert: Every 99 should enter the TAR at least twice--once to learn all the tricks, the second time to make use of them. Probably nothing in flying will teach you as many angles in navigation, weather flying, aircraft and engine performance.)

Dotty Sanders has joined my advanced Navigation class and is working on her instrument rating. After flying Dotty's

Cessna 140, we can understand her enthusiasm. Dotty has carried on two-way radio conversation with an airplane a hundred miles away. Completely equipped for IFR, Dotty has Omni and a VHF transmitter as well as a range receiver. I made one Omni let-down with the help of San Diego approach control and I am old.

Betty Gillies has obtained her Novice radio license. The radio course she and Mary Ring are taking sounds so interesting I am sure Hoover High School will have more candidates among 99s next semester.

Betty Gillies flew her Navion to Oregon--visiting daughter Pat at Stanford and son Pete in Oregon all in one day. Seventeen-year-old Pat, also of our chapter, has found her own flying useful in returning home from college for weekends.

Ruth Gamber and De Thurmond went to Lockhaven, Pa., to ferry back two Pipers.

Marian Mishler has a new job as a clerk typist at the Naval Repair base.

At our last meeting we welcomed prospective member Caryl (Suds) Stortz.

BAY CITIES CHAPTER
By: Lindy Boyes

The Southwest Sectional Meeting held in San Diego was well represented by Bay Cities members. Marion Barnick piloted a stagger-wing Beech from San Jose and carried four others with her, Miriam Brugh, Adele Chase, Rosemarie Gehling and Marge Fauth. Your Truly and Marion Dietrich from Sacramento drove down in an Ercoupe. Eleanor Bjorkman had made the trip south earlier in the week to visit her parents. We all had a wonderful time...weather was perfect, hostesses charming.

This month's meeting was held at the home of Adele Chase high atop the Berkeley Hills overlooking beautiful San Francisco Bay (the wording is a direct steal from a local hotel, but fits the picture). Seventeen members and guests, the guests from San Joaquin Valley Chapter included Billie Wyatt and Frances Dias, enjoyed an interesting Air Force film on the Battle of Britain as well as the general get-together, and catching up on conversation.

CANADIAN SECTION

CALGARY-EDMONTON CHAPTER
By: Marg Littlewood

The Calgary-Edmonton Chapter held their quarterly meeting in Calgary at the Palliser Hotel, Saturday, May 1st. The Edmonton girls made the trip via various forms of transportation to meet their fellow Ninety-Nines in the foothills city. Chairman Lorraine Cooper was in the Chair, with Doris Taylor and Shirley Goldring, secretary and treasurer respectively.

Plans for a summer dance to be held at the airport were discussed. This was followed by a lengthy discussion on the possibilities of promoting aviations to teen age groups of young women. It was agreed this would require a good deal of work in organization prior to being brought to the fore, and it will be considered further.

A rather personal touch was suggested in that our local Chapter have its own colours. Since the international Ninety-Nines' colours are blue and gold, the members felt that they would like to signify our local chapter by adding a brilliant scarlet as a third colour, the order of sequence to be arranged with the blue in the centre, flanked by the scarlet and gold.

In addition to the three officers, others in attendance were Jean McLean and Margaret Littlewood. We greatly missed Barbara Webb and Renee Lamoreux who were both unable to attend.

Some of us visited friends on Sunday and our gracious hostess and chairman drove the others around Calgary on a sight-seeing tour, although the weather man wasn't very considerate of our visit when he turned on the "hail" periodically, mixed with scattered showers.

A vote of thanks goes to Ninety-Nine Jean McLean for supplying us with very pleasant and last minute accommodation for our meeting--good show, Jean!

We welcomed Doris Chapin of Calgary, a licensed pilot at this meeting. Doris is a prospective Ninety-Nine and we hope she will soon "spin" into our organization for we know she would fit into it like a pilot's glove. How about it, Doris?