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8. Zippo Lighter with compass rose in blue, $5.00, with name or message, $5.50. Barbara J. Evans, 67-18 Selfridge St., Forest Hills 72, N. Y.
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10. Glasses with blue compass rose $3.50 plus postage, Mrs. Marian Freund, 457 1/2 Arch St., Meadville, Pa.
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19. 99 Tablecloths stenciled with blue 99 in corners. For special sizes, materials and prices, write Verda-Mae Jennings, 1505 W. Grand Ave., Orlando, Fla.
20. Wooden Prop Pins to wear on flight cap or jacket. Name of chapter, member, and 99's. $1.00. Frances Dias, Box 91, Newman, Calif. Profit to AE Fund.

NOTE: In ordering items from Headquarters, please include check payable to The Ninety-Nines, Inc., with order.

** All items listed have been approved by a 99 Executive Board.

FROM A CLIPPING SENT IN BY VIRGINIA H. YATES:

"In a move toward making women of Japan more air-minded, the Nippon Women's Aviation society was formed in the capital city this month. The organization will stage lectures on flying and will also give instruction in gliders and light planes as soon as money can be raised to support the venture. The WAS has in its sponsors such personalities as Emperor Hirohito's third daughter, Mrs. Kasuko Toketsubaka, and Mrs. Shizui Kato, Japan's leading spokesman for birth control. Backbone of the organization is a group of pretty hostesses from Japan Air Lines and the country's leading lady pilots (precursor vintage)."

EDITOR'S NOTE TO NEWS LETTER REPORTERS:

So many newly appointed reporters have asked what should be included in the items that perhaps my suggestions should be given for all of you. We like to read the names of our friends and to know what they are doing. Also any flying activities, any unusual projects by the chapters or members, outstanding achievements, especially in connection with aviation.

Please number your items - the material is typed up in strip form and pasted up in dummy form. We have only so much space and so many pages, so if there is too much news (hardly ever) the least important paragraphs can be cut off of each reporter's returns and all chapters will have the same proportion of news. Reporters should check the News Letters so that things can be repeated if they are still timely. We cannot return a report on what has been left out - or save paragraphs for the next month.

INTERNATIONAL MEMBERSHIP

The Executive Board caught me in a "yes" mood. Frankly I didn't think there was much work to the International Membership Chairmanship. I am learning fast! HELP!

To the new officers, Chapter Chairman, Membership Chairmen, Sectional Governors - PLEASE write and identify yourself. To those who have been so thoughtful to write and send your good wishes, THANK YOU. The balance of the names of the Membership Committee will be announced later.

In comparison with other organizations, our loss in membership is normal, but our gain in new members is not. If that ratio continues, you all know the answer. Are you missing any good membership material in your area?

Ruth Shimson, Chairman International Membership Committee 201 Second Ave. S.W. Pocahontas, Iowa

FLASH! FLASH! FLASH!

HARD AT WORK! That's what the Board of Trustees, All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race, wishes you to know.

Under the competent direction of Chairman, BETTY GILLIES, San Diego, the Board -- KAY BRICK, New York-New Jersey Section, Vice Chairman; ANNE RAMBO, San Fernando Valley Chapter, Secretary; BRATRICE MEDES, Long Beach Chapter, Treasurer; BARBARA LOMON, Long Beach Chair and BETTY LOUEK, Long Beach Chapter--has had two long sessions, working out the details of the 1953 race." PROCEED?

Don't forget that deadline for the bids for the 1953 race: OCTOBER 31, 1952! GET THOSE BIDS IN TO BETTY GILLIES NOW!

Anne Rambo, Secretary Board of Trustees, AWTA

CHAPTER NEWS

MIDDLE EASTERN SECTION

WASHINGTON, D.C. CHAPTER

By: Hope Howard

At our last meeting, September 4 at the home of Nancy Moore, we elected new officers for the coming year. After the food and hospitality Nancy offered us, we felt she was just the girl to win friends and influence people -- so we elected her to be in charge of publicity. Other officers are: Chairman - Louise Millican, Vice-Chairman - Hope Howard, Secretary - Ada Mitchell, Treasurer - Louise Kidd, and Membership Chairman - Daisy Vaughan, succeeding herself. The girls take office October 1st. Usually our elections are held in October, but we wanted to intro-
duce the new officers at the Sectional Meeting, scheduled here for September 27-28.

We were delighted to see Ninety-Nine International Treasurer, Lucille Wright, who was in town for the AAA meeting. On Sept. 25 we had a luncheon in her honor after her appearance on a TV set. Lucille is quite a girl—understand she’s the only woman in the U.S. to be chairman of an airport commission. She’s a member of the Jamestown, N.Y., Chapter.

Half a dozen of us participated in the National Capital Wing, CAP, Search and Rescue training mission on Sept. 21. Capt. Jean Howard was PIO, 1/Lt. Eleanor Davis was Operations Officer at Falls Church Airpark, CWO Louise Wilgen was on the Operations Board, 1/Lt. Ada Mitchell flew as observer in an Ercoupe, and CWO Mitzi Moore and 49 1/2er Wendell flew as observer and pilot in their Swift. (Mitzi is our wonderful Past Chairman, is assistant to the coordinator of women’s affairs for the CAP National Capital Wing, and is now Chairman of our Chapter’s Committee on Civil Defense.)

Mary Jane Sasala got in some multi-engine time as co-pilot of their C-47. They spent the week-end in Nashville. Nancy Mayes had a grand vacation trip to Carribean and Les Hembel, and sailed away for a cruise and down to raising prize winning chickens. We heard a glowing account by Louise Smith and Burnette Spencer of the Transcontinental Air Race and then, for the benefit of those of us who could not go, of the International Convention in Boston. It all sounded terrific.

The business concluded, we jumped into our bathing suits and, with something long and cool in hand, boarded the Stinson to a meeting out in the far Northwest some time ago. Everyone was raring to go, and we were able to have as our guest, Sarah Duke who had flown in from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

The most important business of the day, election of officers, revealed that for the coming year we shall have Doris Zeager of Palatka as our Chairman; Elaine Mogelvang of Lockhart as Vice-Chairman, and Alma Parker of St. Petersburg as Secretary-Treasurer.

Following the meeting we were served a fried chicken dinner. The food, I might add, is another attraction of Driftwood. We were long be a member by all—a friend from your first meeting.

The Chapter’s Sunday morning business meeting was well attended and it was pleasing to learn that many of the members have been able to fly in for a change. In fact, thanks to the weather, we were able to have as our guest, Sarah Duke who had flown in from Chattanooga, Tennessee.

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The Florida Chapter has recently become "THE MEETING OF THE YEAR," for all of us down here. Following the pattern of the past several years we were joined by the Florida Air Pilot’s Association and between the two organizations we had well over 100 persons registered for the weekend.

By: Mary Lee

Our Fourth Annual Air Meet was held on September 7th at Elmhurst Airport, and a super-wonderful time was had by all. We had 73 entries in the Spot Landing Contest, 25
Fort Dodge Laboratories, Inc., and the Iowa Aeronautics working overtime (time and a-half?) on the flight break-fast is being sponsored by the Flyers for a week preceding the dedication. The Municipal Airport Commission. F.D.L., Inc., is my pay check and the Airport Queen is to be selected by Eddie Howard, the well known band leader. The airport queen is to be with us band, Sid, flew up to Milwaukee for dinner in a Cessna the other evening...one way to miss all that traffic!

What better way to end this last letter than to announce that our Chapter has gained ten new members since August! Much credit to Esther Noffke, our Flying Activities Chairman, who has done so well this past summer to get the members flying again! The new members are: Harriet Noah, Helen O'Hara, Jane White, Inger Johnson, Sally St. John, Helen O'Hara, Irene Fleischer, Gladys L. Wish, Doris Hardley and Nell Brown. We are so glad to have you with us!

UPPER IOWA CHAPTER
By: Beulah Frotscher
Cobblestone Inn on the shores of Storm Lake, Iowa, was the setting for the annual dinner party of the chapter Saturday evening, September 20th. A short program and dancing followed the dinner. Mr. Harry Trowel, chief of the regional office of the CAA, spoke on Air Marking, Radio, and A.D.I.Z.

The chapter presented the retiring chairman (yours truly) with a very beautiful corsage of mums. Retiring officers were Virginia Koestner, Vice-Chairman; Bernie Eno, Secretary, and Betty Barton, Treasurer.

Irene Delbev and Thelma Olson of the Iowa Chapter, drove to Marshalltown for their meeting, a noon picnic. Husband Lloyd Delbev flew to Marshalltown from Des Moines later that day, picked up the gals and flew on to Storm Lake for their meeting and back to Marshalltown the next morning, dropping Thelma off for her car, and on to Des Moines. Irene home to entertain sixteen guests for a one o'clock dinner. What stamina!

Upper Iowans attending were: Betty Barton and escort Darrell Place, Jean Wildman and 49 ½er Quentin, Helen Platcher, Bernie Eno and Beulah Frotscher. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Manchester, Iowa Flight Service operators at Fort Dodge, Eno Airport, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Clark were also guests.

Well, the big news at Fort Dodge is the Municipal Airport Dedication, October 4. Upper Iowa is sponsoring Bernie as a candidate for Airport Queen. The airport queen is to be selected by Eddie Howard, the well known band leader. Bernie is attending a tea along with 41 other candidates were for the Ham-dinner but no one went hungry, and every entry in the Bomb-Dropping contest, and ten ships in the competition. This is by courtesy of the chapter, and A.D.I. Z.

The Private Planes of Taxco for the past several years. Our meeting in September was in Madison and the main topic under discussion was the re-activation of the Madison Chapter, which will give Wisconsin two chapters.

Florence Toney, Milwaukee, is flying her plane to the Sectional in Chicago. Lucky gal. The rest of us will make the trip via automobile.

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GREATER ST. LOUIS CHAPTER
By: Loretta Slavick
At our September meeting, the following officers were elected: Chairman, Laura Sellinger; Vice-Chairman, Dorothy Wheeler; Secretary, Dorothy Young; Treasurer,
The buttons on our flight jackets are all bursting off with pride because of the news about our former Chairman, June Walsh. She has been awarded a Ford Foundation Fellowship to study Aviation Psychology at the University of Illinois and will seek for a Master's degree in it. We can think of no one more deserving than she, for she has done so much for aviation here in St. Louis in the Ninety-Nines, and also in the St. Louis chapters of the women's National Aeronautical Association, and the NAA. She has made a very outstanding contribution to the field of Air Age Education in the aviation club which she sponsored at Kirkwood High School, where she taught. She has bought a Cessna 140 to commute between Champaign and St. Louis on week ends.

The scholarship given by our chapter was won by Shirley Davis. Dorothy Schluer was appointed Membership Chairman. (Note: Our chapter abounds in girls named Dorothy.)

OUR Scavenger Hunt was held on Sunday, September 29th. A number of planes entered and everyone had lots of fun.

ALL-OHIO CHAPTER
By: Edith Harmon

The September meeting of the All-Ohio 99's was held at the lovely new home of Jean and Doctor Bonar in Mansfield. All who attended could well understand why it was featured in a recent home building magazine.

The Joint hostesses to the large group of Ninety-Nines and guests attending were Jean Bonar, Ann Ash, Marge Gorman, Doris Stiffler and Irma Line. The girls went all out on the luncheon paying the costs themselves and donating the collection of the tickets. Such generosity on their part and on that of Mildred Harehman and Arlene Davis have swelled the chapter funds.

The 164th Fighter Squadron of the Ohio Air Guard flew over Mansfield in a salute to the Ninety-Nines. The operator from whom we rent the ship allows us to keep our own time and books, requesting only three hours and needs instruction, Jane flies with her. Jane Emerson Carter, flight instructor, ex-Wasp, mother of year-old Melissa, got back into the air again especially to be our instructor and checker-outer...all gratis...(and the roses in her cheeks and stars in her eyes tell us she is getting a buzz out of it!). She is doing a great service for us. Each girl may fly for as long as she pre-arranges...we handle our own appointments...two girls can fly together for a half-hour at $1.05 each, for example...short practice flights...enough to keep the dust off our wings! If a member hasn't flown in years he is doing a great service for us. Each girl may fly for as long as she pre-arranges...we handle our own appointments...two girls can fly together for a half-hour at $1.05 each, for example...short practice flights...enough to keep the dust off our wings!

Arlene Davis asked all the girls who could do so to volunteer as ground observers for Civil Defense.

The October meeting will be held in Akron on October 19th.

GREATER KANSAS CITY CHAPTER
By: Neva Rea

Our September meeting at Elizabeth Inwood's Lake Lata-wana house was a big success with almost 100% attendance. Hot dogs 'n everything at the fireside by the lake...all was fun - and enthusiasm about OUR NEW FLYING PROJECT.

The idea for the project originated from Chairman Verna Wilson's observation of the AWTAR: "It is a masterpiece of cooperative effort, and we can use the basic idea here at home."

The purpose is to get all of our eighteen members, many of whom are now inactive, back into the air. AND during the past three weeks, THIRTEEN OF OUR EIGHTEEN HAVE FLOWN! All of the girls have agreed to full cooperation (but there have been vacations and house guests) so we feel sure that during October all of our girls will have the required five take-offs and landings. Maybe we won't make it...but we think we will...meanwhile we are having fun trying!

HERE'S HOW: We managed to rent a good little Luscombe at the good little price of $6.50 per hour from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M. on Sundays. Our own Jane Emerson Carter, flight instructor, ex-Wasp, mother of year-old Melissa, got back into the air again especially to be our instructor and checker-outer...all gratis...(and the roses in her cheeks and stars in her eyes tell us she is getting a buzz out of it!). She is doing a great service for us. Each girl may fly for as long as she pre-arranges...we handle our own appointments...two girls can fly together for a half-hour at $1.05 each, for example...short practice flights...enough to keep the dust off our wings! If a member hasn't flown in years he is doing a great service for us. Each girl may fly for as long as she pre-arranges...we handle our own appointments...two girls can fly together for a half-hour at $1.05 each, for example...short practice flights...enough to keep the dust off our wings!

The idea is working...and so are we. Oh yes, flying 49 1/2ers are welcome!

The Kansas City Star gave out with some really fine publicity the day after our third Sunday of group flying, with a two column box with the surprising headline "THE NINETY-NINES GO FLYING ABOVE THE SUNDAY DISHES".
MAN, Helen Simmons; Vice-Chairman, Bobbe Slade; Secretary, Helen Puffer.

By: Helen Puffer

September marked the opening of new membership in Kansas towns. Three of these were attended by Helen Nestle, who accompanied them to Chicago. Helen Nestle will be the luanch guest of the Ft. Worth Press and will discuss her tour and show pictures at our next meeting.

Mrs. Pete Wines, Barksdale Field, LA., and Mrs. Jack Walker of St. Louis, MO., have sent along with them a lovely cake for Christmas, with the help of membership chairman Emily Crew. We need new members, maybe we can chair them.

The most versatile person you will ever meet is our member Connie City Housewives from Beatrice. Connie is a pilot, first of all, and I might say the most important of her abilities...but think of this...a talented musician on the Hammond organ and yet able to serve any meal, and in mentioning modelling, want to tell you that she was the first woman to fly a Swift, she was modelling for the Swift, and when they were test hopping it for the final test for licensing Connie was there. She won her private license in a competitive ground school and has worked at the Kansas City, Kansas Chamber of Commerce in 1941...then her commercial in 1943. She uses her Fairchild in her business...selling Hickory Smoked Ham, Bacon, etc...and she travels the miles too...and she sales she makes for Christmas!

SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION

KANSAS CHAPTER

By: Helen Puffer

On a 75% vote, our new officers are as follows: Chairman, Helen Simmons; Vice-Chairman, Bobbe Slade; Secretary, Helen M. Puffer; and Treasurer, Marion Hardman.

State Airmarking Chairman, Marge Cooper reported that Kansas towns have been marked. Three of these were painted in September.

A new member -- 17-year-old Jane Moore, 910 College Street, Scott City, Kansas. Jane received her private license on her birthday and joined the Ninety-Nines August 16th.

September meeting was held at the home of Ann and Lowell Haddell in Garden City, on the 13th and 14th. Dinner was served at the Garden City Country Club on Saturday evening and an evening of entertainment at home followed. Early morning breakfast and a Bar-B-Q lunch on the terrace evening and an evening of entertainment at home followed.

MISSOURI VALLEY CHAPTER

By: Beatrice J. Mack

A picnic dinner at North Platte was worth our flying across the state of Nebraska on the morning of Sept. 7. Our hostesses, Margarette Durbin, Wilda Wilson and Fennie Schmer made it so. As the new administration building was finished we went there, served any meal, and these gals served a delicious fried chicken dinner with all the trimmings, even to two big cakes that Fennie and Wilda whipped up for the occasion. No less to say, we attempted to make them feel that their efforts were appreciated. We sandwiched our business meeting in between courses.

Those flying in for this meeting were Marilyn Link with her friend Dorothy Reed, Carollin Lincoln, Helen Moore, from Beatrice; Janie Bay with her 49 1/2'er, Dr. Bay, Dorothy Reed, Laura Russell, and Sea Mack from Omaha. Ella Mae Clinch of North Platte was a guest, so we noted she will be more than a guest shortly. Wilda's 24 3/4'er was a charming addition to the group.

Belle Hettzel has been flitting about lately, most recently to Chicago. We warm welcome committee member Carollin Lincoln, accompanied her to the South Central Sectional meeting held at Lake Murray, Ardmore, Oklahoma, Sept. 19-21. Helen reports that they had a wonderful time, the lake beautiful, and the flying perfect. Knowing the hospitality of the Oklahoma's 99's, we wish that the rest of us could have been there too, not only for all the entertainment offered, but also for a chance to have a gabfest with old friends.

Dorothy Reed seems to choose Chicago, too, as she accompanied her 49 1/2'er, Claude, there recently.

Our next meeting will be at Bruning, Nebraska, on October 19th. Pauline Hawks will be our hostess. The rain date is October 26th. Any one flying in the vicinity of Bruning on October 19th will find the welcome mat out at the airport.

TEXAS CHAPTER

ARK-LA-TEX UNIT

By: Loraine Averett

On Tuesday, September 16th, our unit held its regular monthly meeting at The Flame Restaurant, Gregg County Airport, Longview, Texas. This was a special meeting for us as it was our First Anniversary. Only one member of the Unit was absent - Mildred Carney of Shreveport, LA. We remembered the meeting and sent along a lovely cake, decorated with the small airplane on top. Virginia McElroy also brought a lovely cake, with one candle in the center.

Essie Mae Hollis of Henderson and her husband, who formerly had the airport in that city, have moved their flying service to Gregg County Airport. The office is in the terminal building. Drop in to see them. They are still living, for the present, in Henderson.

We were honored by several visitors. Virginia McElroy, of Gladewater, brought as her guest, Mrs. J. B. Eudy, of Corpus Christi, Texas; their daughter Helen of Shreveport; and Mrs. Pete Wines, Barksdale Field, LA., and Mrs. Jack Walker of St. Louis, MO. We understand that Mrs. Pete Wines is a student of Margarets and we hope a future Ninety-Nine.

This being our anniversary meeting, new officers were elected, as follows: Mildred Carney, Director; Margaret Walker, Vice-Director; Eagle Mae Hollis, Corresponding Secretary; Marie Barnes, Treasurer.

We are still working on air-marking at Gladewater. Hope to complete in near future. Our out-going director, Virginia McElroy, is pushing this along.

Sara Payne who was recently transferred from Shreveport to North Carolina, now writes she has been transferred to Nashville, Tennessee.

Our next meeting will be at the Westerner, Shreveport, LA., on October 21st. Hope to see all members there.

Visitors are always welcome.

PORT WORTH UNIT

By: Rowena Burns

Edna Gardner Whyte was the luncheon guest of the Ft. Worth 99's at their September meeting. Edna is doing a fine job nursing polio in Ft. Worth and Dallas during the present emergency, taking time off from her flying school in Aberdeen, MD. Our Aerobatic Champions are being repaired from wind damage. Those attending the luncheon were: Doria Weller, Olean Sellers, Clara Goodyear, Helen Gore, and two Aerobatic Champions.

The Fall Sectional meeting held at Lake Murray, Ardmore, Oklahoma Sept. 19-21, was attended by Verena Burns and Anne Les Jeunesses. Our guests were Mary Rattikin and Edna Whyte. They reported it was a wonderful get-together in a beautiful spot. Thirty-one girls registered, representing all chapters of the South Central Section.

The Texas Air Tour October 11-18 promises to be well attended by 99's and other women pilots. Edna Whyte will be sponsored by the 99's to fly her Cessna 140 in the Tour. Beginning at Temple, the tour makes a circle of the state, terminating at Mineral Wells. Everyone is looking forward to a week of flying and social activities.

An informal meeting of Ninety-Nines and prospective 99's was held at Macch Fields September 18th, where the Ft. Worth Press took pictures for a feature article about women pilots. Under the caption "Ladybirds Taking 'Bash' at Pysch'," pictures of the girls representing various phase of aviation and a well written article about each girl's background and activities.

Mary Helen Rattikin recently returned from a 2 1/2 month's tour of Europe. She will discuss her tour and show pictures at our next meeting.

EL PASO UNIT

By: Florence McDermott

Anne Duthie, who solved the day Lindberg crossed the ocean, is the new Director of the El Paso Unit, having...
Anne will be assisted by Lois Ziller as Vice-Director, Dorothy Blackham, who recently returned from a flight to England to visit her husband, who is Secretary-Treasurer, and Ruby Hays as membership chairman.

Anne began her flying back in 1927 when cilers used railroad timetables for air maps; when they threw a handful of dirt in the air to get the wind direction; and when they didn't dare take off in a moisture in the air. That meant a forced landing in the first convenient cornfield, or road--provided the Model T's could drive around the grounded plane. Her early flying activities recently made the feature section of the Herald-Post.

El Paso members will be hosts to the Albuquerque women flyers, all of whom are prospective 99's, on October 26th for a breakfast flight to Columbus, New Mexico--the town once raided by Pancho Villa.

Vice-Director Ziller walked off with the landing honors to England to visit her husband, as Secretary-Treasurer; her election was a step up in the Women Pilots of the Northwest, at the recent dedication of the Rimrock Lake Emergency Airstrip built by the Women Pilots of the Northwest, at the recent CAP meeting, which was also held at Sky Haven at the Sectional at Fresno.

We voted to send a $25.00 check to the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund.
SACRAMENTO VALLEY CHAPTER

By: Trixie-Ann G. Schubert

Back from a vacation in Delta, Utah, are Clara Davis and her 49 l/2er. They flew a Cesana 170. Chairman Margaret Standish, a Lockheed engineer, reports that she was not affected by the strike at Lockheed which made nationwide headlines recently - she belongs to a different union.

When this goes to press, San Fernando Valley Nineties will be electing new officers at Norma Leenert's home in Alhambra. Norma has invited the chapter for a spaghetti dinner on election night.

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We really will be able to show everyone a good time at the Sectional Meeting in Fresno, Sept. 27-28. Dottie and Bob Sanders got off on instruments and report wonderful San Joaquin Valley hospitality, a good meeting and good time. Disappointed weather-twins at home were Betty Gillies, Evelyn Briggs, Helen Dick, Isabelle McCrae, Jacky Trenfel, Claire Hale, Carol Stortz, Lois and Harry Bartling, Maxine and Gordon Smith. To Billie Wyatt, Frances Dias, and the rest of the hostess chapter, we regret our weekend weather.

We are happy to be represented in the new Sectional Officers with Isabelle McCrae as Vice-Governor. Isabelle flew the McNeil Beech in a regional Search and Rescue Mission with headquarters at Santa Ana a couple of weeks ago and checked out as a search pilot. Bud McKelvie was Base Commander and Betty MacPherson was search cook. Dottie and Bob Sanders, Charlotte Wallace, Jacky Trenfel and Miriam Mencas also participated in the mission.

Betty Gillies is back in the advanced radio class at Hoover High night school this year, determined to get that Ham operator's license. She is ready to take off in her Navion sometime around the first of October for a month's stay in New York and Eastern points.

Donna Davis is now living in Escondido and teaching second grade and completed requirements for her certificate at summer school, State College. Isabelle McCrae is a Lockheed engineer.

Claire Hale is managing the cafe at 8th Avenue Flying Service, Montgomery Field, where the Junior Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the annual Air-Games the weekend of October 4-5. Claire offered two-day jobs to interested 99's and several signed up. Lorraine Gabriel has entered the Air-Games as a contestant and Betty Lambert plans to enter -- maybe others will before the deadline.

After the business meeting Friday night, Jessie Osbourn gave an extremely interesting talk about research projects she has worked on and developed while in British Columbia, and I am sure, judging from their flying enthusiasm, they should have a very strong and active chapter.

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