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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

"Brickaero"

Dear Ninety-Nines:

CIVIL DEFENSE is everybody's business! Its aim is to MINIMIZE THE EFFECTS of a bombing, not prevent it. Many of us in aviation who attended the National Civil Defense Conference in Washington, May 7 and 8, were shocked to learn that we may expect SEVENTY per cent of an aerial enemy to break through whatever aerial defenses we may have set up! FRANCES NOLDE and I attended every session which covered every aspect of Civil Defense, and we are soberly convinced of the seriousness which should be attached to the possibilities of attack.

You who know air power and its ruthless destruction, its devastating accuracy in war can better visualize the results of a bombing of our beloved homeland. YOU can do your country-men invaluable service by educating them to face the facts. As the noted psychologist, L. F. Shaffer sums up "living as adjusting" - "As long as an animal continues to adjust and to modify its responses it continues to live. If it fails to adjust in some degree its existence is imperiled". In point, I returned home from the Conference -- to spacious green lawns, flowering shrubs, sunlight making lacy patterns, children's voices, lawnmowers humming - and a bombing seems like a bad dream that could not possibly come to pass.

This is YOUR responsibility. You in aviation know the CAPABILITIES OF THE ENEMY and the VULNERABILITY of EVERY BIT OF OUR COUNTRY. At least 300 National organizations were represented by their officers at the Conference. This represents 50,000,000 people! But YOU WHO FLY probably understand better than most the impact of the Air Age in all its destructive as well as fruitful aspects. YOU MUST ASSUME LEADERSHIP in your communities!

First, get your own house and mind in order. SURVIVAL starts with the individual. A FRENZIED approach is not desirable on the part of the public -- we may have long range waiting ahead. Were you aware that both Britain and Germany began their Civil Defense preparations YEARS before bombing started? I would liken our preparedness to "Scouting" whose motto we all know - "BE PREPARED". That is all we ask of each - to know the PROPER IMMEDIATE REACTION when attack comes, and to have the NECESSARY EQUIPMENT ON HAND.

I cannot emphasize too strongly the desirability of every Ninety-Nine reviewing a RED CROSS FIRST AID COURSE NOW. If you look at it from only the selfish standpoint of individual survival (in the event of ANY kind of emergency) you must appreciate its invaluable to you. I think we have been negligent along this line of late. We insist on carrying a First Aid Kit in flight, but are we up-to-date in its application? (Nat. Red Cross, Wash., D. C. - "Red Cross Home Nursing - Civil Defense Supplement" - excellent pamphlet.)

The first part of the emergency then involves survival - and that includes you as a PILOT. Then self-reliant 99s must offer MUTUAL AID through organizational assistance. This involves your FLYING. Civil Defense pilots will be called on immediately after an attack as RECONNAISSANCE TEAMS to estimate the damage and check the traffic situation. Then you will fly in key medical teams and supplies.

Your 99 Flying Activity Chairmen have been encouraging your FLYING READINESS. The participation of Chapters in State and Local Civil Defense planning is responsible for further PRACTICAL FLIGHT EXPERIENCES as typified by the MISSOURI VALLEY CHAPTER and the MICHIGAN 99s who are active in Civil Air Patrol. At the Air Show sponsored by the BAY CITIES CHAPTER to be held on June 17 at the San Jose-G.B. Aero Airport, one

event will feature PAT GLADNEY with an ambulance plane flying a Civil Disaster Relief Demonstration. A recent front page story in the Boston Sunday Post, April 29, 1951 claims, "WOMEN FLIERS SET FOR CRISES". It outlines the use of the private plane during disaster and describes the 99s and their preparedness. Good work, GOVERNOR ROSE ABBOTT and NEW ENGLAND 99s. The TRANSCONTINENTAL AIR RACE this year looms as a stirring symbol of the STRENGTH OF PRIVATE AVIATION and the SKILL OF WOMEN PILOTS.

Mr. Merrill Armour heads aviation which comes under the head of Transportation in the National Civil Defense Administration, Washington, D. C. The overall Civil Air Mobilization Plan in Civil Defense has not yet been approved in its entirety but many states have gone ahead using it and mutual state agreements have been reached. It is likely that the approved plan will logically place Civil Air Mobilization responsibility on the State Directors of Aeronautics, of course subject to orders from the State Civil Defense Directors and the Governors in emergency.

THE NINETY-NINES, Inc. has NO ONE COMMITTEE for Civil Defense - every 99's duty is to HERSELF, her COMMUNITY and her AVIATION FRATERNITY. "BE PREPARED" and "Keep Flying".

DEADLINE September 1, 1951 - After this date it will be necessary to possess a C.A.A. "I D" card to be eligible to fly. Avoid the last minute rush. Go NOW to your local C.A.A. office providing the following items:

1. Two identical photos, about one inch square, full face, head only, taken within 12 months preceding date of application.
2. Proof of identification, such as licenses, or combinations of Identification Cards and documents which will identify the applicant.
3. Proof of citizenship, place and date of birth, such as birth certificate, baptismal certificate, passport or an airman identification card issued during World War II by CAA.

4. Your airman certificate. Applicant's fingerprint will be taken. Applicants who have lost their WW II CAA ID card may write Chief, Airman Records Branch, CAA, Washington, D. C. and request a letter verifying that such a card was issued to them. This letter will meet citizenship and place and date of birth requirements for obtaining one of the new ID cards.

How I wish I could share with you ALL of the wonderful letters MARJORIE E. FAUTH has been sending. (Global mail seems better than continental.) From Cairo, Egypt, late in April: "There were lovely days and nights on a lake steamer in Uganda, a week on a waltzing stern-wheel paddle steamer coming down the Sudan Nile, watching herds of hippos in the River and shooting crocodiles along the banks. Visits ashore in Buer and Dinka villages in the Sudan, where the natives - tall, handsome people - wear NOTHING but a bead belt around the waist. The colossi of Ramesses in the steamer's spot-light; sunrise and the roof of a drowned out temple just above the lake back of the great Assuan Dam. Luxor, with its horsedrawn victories, its donkeys and camels. The Temple of Karnak, by day and by full moon, with its 85 foot Papyrus columns and its beautiful Avenue of Sphinxes. I remember sipping date wine at midnight in the beautiful hallway of Lotus colonades in Luxor Temple by moonlight, in the company of a dignified old Arab, discussing world affairs as we sipped wine and nibbled bananas, and the shadows of the ruins made wide bands of black velvet in the moonlight. A night in a sailboat on the Nile, with three singing Arab boatmen, and ruby tea and cold roast pigeon when we got back at midnight. The King's Chamber in the cool dark heart of the Pyramid of Cheops, in the shadow of which I slept last night, out in the desert, after seeing the Sphinx by sunset and moonlight and riding a camel across the dunes to camp. Can this be me?" Signed: M. Fauth

Kay Menges Brick
Your President



Members of the Missouri Valley Chapter of the 99's, International Organization of Licensed Women Pilots, flew to Lincoln, Nebraska, Sunday morning, January 21, 1951, to volunteer their service in the Civilian Defense Program. They, along with such groups as the Flying Farmers, were to meet with James D. Ramsey, Director of the State Aeronautic Department. Belle Hetzel and Janie Bay were appointed chapter representatives to the State Aviation Advisory Council.

Left to right are: Beatrice Mack, Laura Russell, Marge McBride, Dorothy Reed, Janie Bay, Lois Boien, Dorothy Gilbert, Dorothy Kidder.

Members of the Michigan Chapter have been active with the Civil Air Patrol since its inception in World War II.

The first CAP All Women's Flying Squadron was organized by Alice H. Hammond in Detroit in 1941. Alice is now adjutant of the Michigan Wing with the rank of Major.

The close liaison of the Michigan Wing of the CAP and the State's Civil Defense program is typical of CAP activities throughout the country. Major Hammond reports that the Wing's Mobilization and Readiness plan was put to the test during a recent mock A-Bomb attack on Detroit and Soo Locks and received commendation "from all quarters".

Recognition of the important job women are doing and can do with the Civil Air Patrol is evident by the recent appointment of Colonel Frances Nolde as Director of Women's Activities.

Of the 50,848 active Senior CAP members, 6,619 are girls. Of the 35,122 cadets, 7,324 are girls. Civil Air Patrol offers 99's an excellent opportunity to do an active civil defense job, using their aviation knowledge, in a long established organization. Many 99's throughout the country have been in this civilian auxiliary of the U. S. Air Force for many years, to mention a few - Arlene Davis, Ohio; Betty Pettit, Indiana; Nan Spears, New Jersey; Clara Livingston, Puerto Rico; Betty Skelton, Florida; Lucy Kalla, Illinois and Nancy Tier, Conn., was the first and only Wing Commander - she's on leave for another "little dividend".

There is a Wing of the Civil Air Patrol in every State, Alaska, Puerto Rico, Hawaii and the District of Columbia. The Wing Commander of your State would welcome the opportunity to meet with your Chapter and show the Civil Air Patrol film - 17 min.-16mm. sound. For further information, contact our 99 Colonel Molde, Box 804, Reading, Pa.



Michigan 99's going over the route for an air rescue practice mission in connection with the Mobilization and Readiness Program of the Michigan Wing, Civil Air Patrol, in which they are active pilots. Left to right: 1/Lt. Becky Thatcher, Saginaw Flight; W/O Mary Creason, Grand Haven Flight; 2/Lt. Eloise Smith, Austin Lake Squadron; W/O Margaret Napierala, Saginaw Flight; 2/Lt. Mary Gardenier, Austin Lake Squadron; Major Alice Hammond, Wing Staff; 2/Lt. Dorothy Woodhams, Austin Lake Squadron.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES OF CANDIDATES FOR NATIONAL OFFICES

The Nominating Committee respectfully submits the following list of candidates for International Officers for the fiscal year 1951-1952. These names will appear on the Ballot, which will be mailed to each active member not later than 30 days prior to the Annual Convention. Please study the qualifications of these candidates carefully, find out all you can about them, and then vote.

FOR PRESIDENT

ALICE HAMMOND (Michigan Chapter)

Alice Hammond has been an Active Member of the Ninety-Nines for 19 years. She has served as International Secretary for 2 years (1934-36) and as International Treasurer for 2 years (1942-1944). She has also served as Governor of the North Central Section, on the National Executive Board, as Editor of the 99 Newsletter and in 1945 was Chairman of the National Nominating Committee. Alice served for 4 years on the Board of Trustees of the Amelia Earhart Memorial Scholarship Fund (1946-1950)--2 years as Chairman of the Board. For the past 4 years, she has been Parliamentary Advisor for the Ninety-Nines. She holds a Commercial Certificate with land, sea and instrument ratings. In January 1942, during the War, she organized the first All-Woman Flying Squadron of CAP and served as its Commander for 3 years. In addition, she taught instrument flying for 1½ years. Alice was appointed Adjutant of the Michigan Wing of CAP in 1950 with the rank of Major.

ARLENE DAVIS (All-Ohio Chapter)

Arlene Davis has been an Active Member of the Ninety-Nines since 1932. She has served as Chairman of the All-Ohio Chapter (1932-34), on the National Executive Committee (1933-34, 1949-50) and as International Vice President (1950-51). She is present Chairman of the North Central Section Airmarking Committee. She holds a Commercial Certificate, land and sea, multi and single engine, flight instructor and Instrument ratings. During the last war, Arlene sold bonds from a plane and taught instrument flying. She was Commander of the Cleveland Squadron of CAP in 1949 with the rank of Captain.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

AMALIE STONE (Carolinas Chapter)

Amalie Stone is the present Chairman of the Carolinas Chapter of the Ninety-Nines, serving her second year. Amalie soloed at 16, then took two years of Aeronautical Engineering at the University of Alabama and received a B.A. degree from the University of So. Carolina. 1950 winner of the A.E. Scholarship Award which she has used to obtain her Instrument Rating. Is at present Educational Director for the South Carolina Aeronautics Commission at Columbia, S. C.

JUDY SHORT (New England Section)

Judy Short received her Private License in 1945 and became a member of the Ninety-Nines in 1947. She has served as Governor of the New England Section (1948), on the National Nominating Committee and on the National Executive Board.

FOR SECRETARY

JEAN ROSS HOWARD (Washington, D. C. Chapter) Incumbent

Jean Ross Howard is at present serving her first year as International Secretary of the Ninety-Nines. She has served as Chairman of the Wash. D. C. Chapter (1946-48), as Chairman of Publicity for the Chapter, and two years as Governor of the Middle Eastern Section (1948-50). Jean is employed as Staff Assistant, Helicopter Council and Personal Aircraft Council, Aircraft Industries Association. She has been an Active Member of the Ninety-Nines since 1941. Is also a Trustee of the Aero Club of Washington; Asst. PIO, National Capital Wing CAP and Secretary, American Helicopter Society.

(No other candidate submitted)

FOR TREASURER

MARY FRANCIS (Oklahoma Chapter) Incumbent.

Mary Francis is at present serving her first year as International Treasurer of the Ninety-Nines. She has had experience as Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Chairman of her Chapter and as Secretary-Treasurer of the South Central Section. Has served as Treasurer of the National Association of Women Lawyers and also for Kappa Beta Pi, International Legal Sorority. Adjutant with rank of Major in CAP, Oklahoma Wing. Legal Advisor to the Ninety-Nines, Inc. Holds a Commercial Certificate.

THELMA LINDZAY (Michigan Chapter)

Thelma Lindzay has been an Active Member of The Ninety-Nines since 1942. She has held the following offices: Chairman Michigan Chapter (1944&45); Vice-Governor North Central Section (1946&47); Governor North Central Section

(1948&49); was delegate from the Michigan Chapter to the National Conventions in Cleveland, Denver, Kansas City and New York. Member of Committee to Approve Minutes of National Meeting held in Kansas City and New York. Member 1951 Nominating Committee.

FOR AMELIA EARHART SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

JIMMIE KOLP (Texas Chapter)

Has been a member since 1930, has been editor of the Newsletter, Chairman of the Nominating Committee and has been on Executive Committee and the Membership Committee. Holds a commercial license and has flown over 2,000 hours.

LEONA McELROY (Eastern Penn Chapter)

Has been an active member of the 99's since 1939. Has served in every chapter office, from delegate to the National Convention to Chairman. Served as Vice-Governor of the Middle Eastern Section 1948-50 and was co-chairman of the 99-NAA Investigating Committee, 1949. She holds commercial certificate and instructor rating.

FOR 1952 NOMINATING COMMITTEE

RUTH RUECKERT (Southwestern Section)

Active Member of the Ninety-Nines for over 20 years, having joined in September 1930. Organized, and was a charter member of the Bay Cities Chapter and its first Chairman. Subsequently held all other offices. Was Treasurer, Vice-Governor and Governor of the Southwestern Section. Appointed National Historian of the Ninety-Nines in 1948 and still holds this appointment.

AMA LEE JAMESON (South Central Section)

At present Chairman of the Texas Chapter of the Ninety-Nines. Active Member of the Ninety-Nines for 4 years. Served one year as Secretary-Treasurer of the Texas Chapter and is now serving her second year as Chairman. Was Secretary-Treasurer of the Texas Flying Farmers for five years and is now 2nd Vice President, and the first woman National Director of the National Flying Farmers.

FRANCES NOLDE (Middle Eastern Section)

Present Governor Middle Eastern Section and Chairman of the Ninety-Nine Contest Committee. Active Member since 1942. Has served as Chapter Chairman (1946-47), Vice-Governor Middle Eastern Section and now Governor. Also served on the 1950 Nominating Committee. On the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of NAA. Recently appointed Advisor to the National Commander (of CAP) on women's CAP activities, and Director, Women's Program, CAP, - with the rank of Lt. Col. Holds a Commercial Certificate.

LOIS FAIRBANKS (New York-New Jersey Section)

Lois Fairbanks served as Secretary of the New York-New Jersey Section (1946-47) and as Governor of the New York-New Jersey Section (1948-50). Member of the 20th Anniversary Celebration Committee in New York City, (1949). Has been flying since 1941 and holds a Commercial Certificate.

DOROTHY M. DREW (Canadian Section)

At present serving as Secretary of the Canadian Section. No other information submitted.

HELEN ANDERSON (North Central Section)

Active Member 11 years. Has served as Chairman of both Indiana and Michigan Chapters, Governor of the North Central Section and two years as International Vice-President. Helen has also served as Chairman of the National Nominating Committee and for the past two years she has been a member of the Executive Committee.

BETTY HAMILTON (Southeastern Section)

Active Member 11 years, was Charter member of the Carolinas Chapter. Has served as Chapter Chairman and on various Southeast Section committees, and is at present Vice-Governor of the Southeast Section.

Submitted by:
Betty H. Gillies, Chairman
1951 Nominating Committee

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TRANSCONTINENTAL AIR RACE NEWS

All participating aircraft must be turned over to the Air Race Committee at Orange County Airport, Santa Ana, California, before noon PST August 13th. Take-off will be at 11:00 PST, August 15th. Deadline for crossing the Finish Line at Detroit City Airport, Detroit, Michigan, will be 5:00 p.m. EST, August 19th. The race is open to "stock model" aircraft only. For Rules and Regulations, and Applications for Entry, write to Air Race Committee, 624 Armando Drive, Long Beach 7, Calif. (send 10¢ for postage).

The All-Woman Transcontinental Air Race is sanctioned by both the Ninety-Nines, Inc. and the National Aeronautic Association and is conducted under the Rules and Regulations of the Federation Aeronautique Internationale. All contestants must have an FAI Certificate and a 1951 Sporting License. (These may be obtained by writing to NAA, 1025 Connecticut Ave., Washington 6, D. C.)

Contestants are urged to make their hotel reservations in Detroit as early as possible. A block of 50 double rooms (for 100 TAR contestants and officials) has been set aside for us at the Hotel Book-Cadillac but each contestant must make her own reservation. Address requests for reservations to Mr. C. B. Loftis, Front Office Manager, Hotel Book-Cadillac, Detroit, Michigan - state that you are a TAR contestant and request one of the rooms held under the name of 99-TAR. The National Air Races are being held in Detroit on August 17th, 18th and 19th and consequently the hotels will be very pressed for space. The manager of the Book-Cadillac requests that we "double up" in every possible case, two to a room - and requires that rooms be assigned on the basis of three-day occupancy. Rates are as follows:

Twin Beds	\$8.25 to \$14.00	for 2 persons
Double Bed	\$7.75 to \$11.25	for 2 persons

(cots may be put in)

As of this date (May 23rd) over 90 requests for copies of the Rules and Regulations, and Applications for Entry, have been received by the Committee. Interest is mounting in leaps and bounds! Get your entry in early.

The Air Race Committee wishes to acknowledge, with much appreciation, the following donations to the Air Race Fund: Mildred Harshman of Dayton, Ohio, \$25; Marjorie Miller of Columbus, Ohio, \$10; Aileen Miller of Needles, Calif., \$5.00; Central Illinois Chapter of 99's, \$10; Iowa Chapter of 99's, \$10.

Watch for the SANTA ANA PROGRAM in the July issue of this Newsletter. And be sure you allow enough time to be in Santa Ana before noon, PST, August 13th. SEE YOU THERE.

Transcontinental Air Race Committee
By: Betty Huyler Gillies

ATTENTION; All Chapter Chairmen

AWTAR, Inc., would like to start work on the 1952 TAR just as soon after the Convention as possible. If your Chapter is interested in sponsoring either the Start or the Finish of the 1952 TAR, please try to get your bid ready for presentation to the Committee at the Convention in Aug. For information concerning the proper form of a "bid", write to Mardo Crane, AWTAR, Inc., 8617 Rindge Ave., Playa Del Rey, Calif.

PAMPHLETS AND FILMS NOW AVAILABLE

A number of publications containing vital information on civil defense are available now and others are in preparation by the Federal Civil Defense Administration. They may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. at prices quoted. Those available are:

1. United States Civil Defense, Price 25¢
(A plan for organizing civil defense in the U.S.)
2. Health Services and Special Weapons Defense, Price 60¢
3. Survival Under Atomic Attack, Price 10¢
4. This is Civil Defense, Price 15¢
5. What you Should Know About Biological Warfare, Price 10¢
6. The Alert Card, Price 5¢

7. Fire Effect of Bombing Attacks, Price 15¢
8. Medical Aspects of Atomic Weapons, Price 10¢
9. Damage from Atomic Explosions and Design of Protective Structure, Price 15¢

OFFICIAL FILMS on Civil Defense are being produced by the motion picture industry at no cost to the government. The arrangement is that private industry will supply the capital, make the films, and distribute them, under agreement with the Federal Civil Defense Administration. More than 1500 prints of the first film so produced were sold in ten days, demonstrating the effectiveness of this unique arrangement. This film is "Survival Under Atomic Attack", produced by United World Films, Inc., 1445 Park Avenue, New York, N. Y. (16 mm sound \$17.50) Other films are now in production.

1951 SCHEDULE OF IDAHO "AVIATION BREAKFASTS"

Mackay (fish fry)	June 24th
Canada Tour	July
Weiser	Sept. 16th
Challis (venison, chokecherry syrup, sour dough hot cakes, all the butter you want)	Oct. 21st

CHAPTER NEWS

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

WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER

By: Jean Howard

No meeting this month - no reporter? - but we've NEWS

Perry Robinson, aviation high school teacher, has been appointed our 99 Liaison Officer for Air Age Education to the District of Columbia School Board. Perry was the first aviation teacher in our Washington high schools and is constantly striving to improve the course and include flight experience for all!

Snow-White has come to town! Its "Mitzi III" - 49^{er} Wendell Moore's new Swift - painted gleaming white with Nassau blue trim. - Dazzling!

The 99's were invited to attend the May meeting of the Aero Club of Washington honoring the Women in the Armed Services. The guest speakers were - Colonel Geraldine May, Director of the WAFS; Lt. Colonel Mary Milligan, Deputy Director of the WACS; Colonel Katherine Towle, Director of the Women in the Marine Corps; Colonel Mary Phillips, Director of the Army Nurse Corps; Commander Louise Wilde, Deputy Director of the WAVES; Lt. Louise McHagdon, SPARS, and COLONEL FRANCES NOLDE, DIRECTOR OF WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES - CIVIL AIR PATROL. The luncheon meeting was held at the National Press Club and as women were being honored - the men were presented boutanniers of bachelor buttons. 99's on hand were Mitzi Moore, Manilla Talley, Louise Kidd, Velma Lazar Qualls, Joan Richardson Towle and yours truly - and we were particularly happy to see Dorothy Christenson of the Milwaukee Chapter. We didn't know Dorothy was in Washington, but look forward to seeing her at all meetings from now on. We were very proud of our 99 Colonel Nolde - looking femininely military - in the new CAP Blues.

Two more members have joined the National Capital Wing of the Civil Air Patrol - latest recruits - Louise Calhoun and Barbara Jenison.

There will be a meeting this month to plan for CONVENTION!

EASTERN PENN CHAPTER

By: Mildred Zimmerman

Lillian Marks arranged for a lovely meeting last May in Allentown. Dinner was served in a new restaurant not very far from the Allentown-Bethlehem Airport.

Among those present, whom we had not seen for quite a few meetings, were Peggy Fisher and Mary Hoch. Peggy, a physicist who had been with NACA at Langley Field, Va., working in

Instrument Research, has transferred to Washington, D. C., and may now be able to attend some of our meetings. Mary, who lives in Bridgeville, Maryland, owns and flies a Stinson.

Jessie Eokhart and Nell Richards flew in in Nell's Luscombe and, incidentally, Jessie who heads the Flying Activities Committee has drawn up a fine point system as a basis for judgement in the forthcoming events planned for the summer months. Material for the chapter's scrapbook may be sent to Jessie at her residence in Clay, Pa. She has requested that all magazine articles, newspaper clippings, pictures, etc., be on chapter members only. This is a scrapbook of and for our chapter alone.

Jane Morris was present with guest Albert Giles. Jane has been very active as an Instructor for the Wing Scouts in York. This is an activity for the older group of Girl Scouts. Christine Siegel, still busy at the Allentown Airport, brought guest Doris Wetherhold who recently obtained a private license. Kathryn Gaul represented Reading and Millie Zimmerman flew in from New Holland.

Dot Leh is in Florida at the present time but a very nice card was received from husband John offering his assistance to aid the 99 meeting in Allentown. Very thoughtful people, these Lehs.

A June meeting was planned for York and tentative plans were discussed for a summer meeting along Maryland's Eastern Shore at Kentmore Airpark.

Fran Nolde's itinerary for the next few weeks in connection with her new post in the CAP will take her to Rochester, Minn. and Colorado Springs. The new Navion is receiving quite an initiation with Fran's busy schedule.

MEADVILLE CHAPTER

By: Harriette Mosbacher

Vega Ihsen was hostess to the Meadville Chapter for the regular monthly meeting. From all reports, I missed a fine meeting but believe me, I was NOT absent by choice. The meeting was well attended and most enjoyable. (This info is straight off the grapevine).

Routine business was followed by reports by Jean Peden and Vega Ihsen on their progress with the Air Age Education Program. The girls have been showing the films and accompanying same with talks on aviation. They have been well received and invited to continue the work when the fall school term begins.

We are trying to impress it upon the minds of all of our members that they will be grounded by Sept. 1st, unless they comply with the C.A.A. regulation and get their new identification cards before that date. Don't wait until the last minute girls. You also have to have a picture to accompany your application. This picture is to meet specification as to size etc.

We proudly announce that our chapter has acquired a new 24 3/4^{er}. Maybe I had better untangle that statement a little by telling you that Toby Lord is a proud new mother and we have high hopes of making a pilot out of her little 24 and 3/4^{er}. Congratulations Toby and Sam.

The next meeting will be the second Wednesday in June at the Mosbacher abode at 891 Washington Street. I'll be looking for you.

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

TENNESSEE CHAPTER

By: Evelyn Bryan

We held our Spring meeting at Tri-City Airport with Jane Hilbert as hostess on Sunday, May 6th. Ruth Thomas and Eddie Lee Griffin drove from Knoxville to Morristown where they joined Pat Burnett and me; then we all flew up to Tri-City in my Pacer. Cora McDonald came over from Bristol, Virginia. The main topic for discussion was how could we get a sponsor for an entrant in the Transcontinental Air Race.

Date for the next meeting was set for Sunday, July 29th, over at Oak Ridge.

Several of our members attended the Chattanooga Air Show,

May 19 and 20. As usual, the Chattanooga Flyers Club went all out to entertain visiting pilots. Those who have once attended, always plan to go back the next year. We enjoyed chatting a while with Caro Bayley who put on a beautiful exhibition of precision aerobatics.

Ruth and Ferris Thomas have taken over the Island Airport at Knoxville. It is only three miles from town and they will be happy to have all fly-in visitors to that city land there.

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

The North Central Section wishes to congratulate Mrs. Frank K. Dean, Public Relation Chairman of the Wisconsin Chapter. Gladys has been invited to participate in one of the six panel discussions of the Fourth Annual Wisconsin Aeronautics Conference. This is the first time a woman has been invited to this honor. The invitation was in recognition of her work and leadership in the Ninety-Nines.

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

By: Jessie Anderson

We had a beautiful day for the first fly-in of 1951. We met for brunch at the Elgin Airport on May 20th. It was good to see Olive Tuttle again after a long absence. We were surprised to see Irene Leverton again. Thought she would be crop-dusting by this time. She leaves this week for Arkansas where she picks up a Stearman and proceeds to Montana and the Northwest. Irene and Mary Jane Dwyer recently flew a Luscombe up to Oshkosh, Wisconsin, and saw several of Steve Wittman's midget racers.

We welcome Betty Archibald as a new member. She was a WASP and ferried all types of fighters around the States. She has 1500 hours with Commercial Flight Instructor, SEL, MEL and SES Ratings. At present she is Control Tower Operator at Meigs Field. Hope to see a lot of you, Betty!

Alice Kudra donated our raffle prize for the Amelia Earhart Scholarship Fund. I was lucky and won it!--a year's subscription to AIR FACTS. Kay Ferris is donating the next prize.

Our next meeting will also be a fly-in brunch on Sunday, June 3rd, at Wooddale Airport, Wooddale, Illinois at 11 a.m.

Our rummage sale held in April was a big success and netted \$112.00. We are indebted to those loyal gals who donated their time and efforts toward this project.

We are awaiting word from the downstate Illinois 99's for a July date for a joint meeting. Two selections for meeting places were Peoria, Illinois or Lafayette, Indiana.

Discussion was also had on an all-out invitational affair to all women pilots in Illinois to attend our annual air meet in September. This list is available to us from the Illinois Dept. of Aeronautics. It was suggested each licensed woman pilot would be our guest with free barbecues, etc., and the air show to provide the entertainment.

I N D I A N A C H A P T E R

By: Joan Ferguson

The May meeting of the Indiana Chapter was held on the 20th at Evansville's new Municipal Airport with fifteen members in attendance. We were glad to see Marie Thompson and Barbara DeBuford who have not attended in some time. Also, we were honored by the distinguished presence of our past president, Blanche Noyes. Dorothy Perry was hostess and she looks wonderful in spite of her recent illness. The airport building is very beautiful and the interior is just gorgeous. We had a most delicious pie for dessert. Guaranteed to put five pounds on you.

Fern Rinker, Dorothea Hendricks, Charlotte Foland and yours truly just returned from the sectional meeting in Rochester. Due to low ceilings, we arrived in Rochester too late for the tour of Mayo Clinic but the other girls said it was wonderful. We all had a marvelous time and the Minnesota girls certainly went all out to entertain us.

We had six members attending and Jane Shope's 49^{er}. Marie Thompson flew up from Terre Haute and incidentally won a Bulova wrist watch. Charlotte Foland also won a watch for being the youngest pilot there. Jane and Ernie Shope won a weekend at Otis Lodge, Grand Rapids, Minnesota for being the first couple to arrive. The girls all got lovely gifts to bring home. All we can say to those of you who couldn't attend is you missed one grand time.

The June meeting of the Indiana Chapter will be held on the 17th at Monticello with Ruth Congram as hostess on her private air strip. Come on you gals, it will be fun.

U P P E R I O W A C H A P T E R

By: Fern McKinnon

A business meeting was held Sunday, May 20th, in Pocahontas with Ruth Shimon as hostess. There were five 99ers - Ruth Shimon, Millie Burt, Beulah Frotscher, Bernie Eno and Fern McKinnon and two 49^{ers}, Albert Shimon and Gordon McKinnon, for dinner. Following dinner a business meeting was held at Ruth's home. Most important order of business - Chapter Bylaws - which Beulah had worked out and is now under the discussion stage. A copy has been sent to each member. Please read and return to Beulah with your comments. We want to put them in force in the very near future.

The trophy has not been awarded for last month - not all the reports in to Virginia.

Our June meeting is to be a Breakfast Flight - to be announced later.

Win Eno made many lovely sets of shell jewelry this winter while in Florida - which she gave to the Chapter - we are thinking up ways of making money on them for the Chapter. We don't see much of Win - what with winters in Florida and summers on the Canadian border.

Before the meeting Beulah and Bernie had flown with a friend to a Flight Breakfast at Cherokee - they are the early birds - first Women Pilots of the day.

M I C H I G A N C H A P T E R

By: Thelma C. Lindzay

The May meeting of the Michigan Chapter was held in Jackson on the 20th, with Barbara Cradit, Jean Prins Reynolds and Velta Skutt as hostesses. Thirty-six members and guests were present. At the business session which was conducted by our Chairman, Becky Thatcher, it was voted to enter the National Membership Contest. We welcomed Lois Wilson of Wyandotte as our newest member, and were so happy to have Gloria Lynch with us again. Gloria flew in with a friend - it was her first flight in quite some time and she enjoyed it very much.

Guests and prospective members present were Theda Wright of Clio; Shirley Voss of Kalamazoo; Barbara Lowder of Jackson, who is a Flying Farmer; Aleta Jackson Grill of Jackson, a former WASP who is now busy raising a family and Mary E. Clark, a former 99 who has been serving with the American Red Cross since the last war - her last assignment was in Danville, Ill., which was followed by a vacation in Mexico before her return to Jackson.

INCREASED RATINGS: Bernice Trimble now has her Link Instructors rating. Velta Skutt and Lenore Howarth Hammerlee have recently acquired their 2nd daughters.

If any of you have access to the AIR FORCE TIMES, April 28, 1951 issue, there is a nice article about our own Ninety-Nine CAPT. LENORE McELROY. Her new duties are as assistant adjutant of the 1737th Ferrying Squadron, MATS Continental Division. Her record is one of which we can all be proud.

June meeting in Fenton, July in Stanton and August at Austin Lake on the second Sunday of the month.

M I N N E S O T A C H A P T E R

By: Novia Frey

We held our May meeting on the 13th at the home of Evelyn

Knowlton in Rochester. Miss Dorothy Anderson, nursing director of Rochester-Ulmead County Public Health, was voted in as a new member.

After the business meeting and a delicious breakfast--it took three cooks to keep our twenty-some plates filled--we rode around the city. Our drivers pointed out the various hotels where the girls would be staying during the sectional meeting, the famous Rochester Clinic and other points of interest.

Our next meeting -- in June -- will be held at Bea Brand's in Redwood Falls.

WISCONSIN CHAPTER
By: Dora M. Fritzsche

Nine of us attended our April meeting which was held in Appleton with Helen Kunitz as our hostess. In spite of selecting an excellent place for our dinner, food was relegated to second place as we were entertained by Bob Neller, ventriloquist, who discussed flying with his "lady" assistant.

Deedo Heise as usual has been rushing all over the map in her Cessna 170. After just returning from a week in Denver, she spent the next long weekend in Kenora, Ontario, the next at Rochester, Minn., (N. Central Section meeting), and next week will be in Atlantic City.

Gladys Dean is a close second to Deedo, having also been in Kenora and Rochester. We're proud to be able to say she is the first woman ever invited to partake in a panel discussion at the annual meeting of the Wisconsin Aeronautics Conference held in Wausau, and received lots of favorable newspaper publicity for the 99s. Pearl Nelson accompanied her.

Six of us, including Dorothy Christenson who came from Washington, D. C., managed to attend the Spring Sectional meeting in Rochester and had a wonderful time in spite of the weatherman. The Minnesota girls certainly had a wonderful meeting, and we certainly appreciated the wonderful gifts from them.

Our next meeting will be at Montello, Isabelle Myrland our hostess, on June 15. All out-of-state 99s welcome.

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

KANSAS CHAPTER
By: Bobbe Slade

Abilene Meeting Overwhelming Success -- Sunday morning, May 27, found all of the Kansas members together with the exception of two. All members and friends enjoyed very much being guests of Helen Simmons and her 49^{er} Roy. A very interesting tour through the Eisenhower home topped off the delicious fried chicken dinner arranged for us. As a remembrance of this gala event the hosts generously offered to send a print of the group picture taken to all those present.

Those who attended as guests were: Mr. & Mrs. Ailiff Neel (he is the former President of the Kansas Flying Farmers) of Window; Mr. & Mrs. R. L. Baccus, Minneapolis; Mrs. Iona Smyer of Arkansas City; Pattye and Beulah Allison of Abilene; Mr. & Mrs. Albert Potter of Hutchinson; Pat Dufford of Minneola; Virginia Sheppard of Larned and Helen Comes and Velma Wilson of Hutchinson. Kansas 99s present were Anne Waddell, Margaret Ash, Helen Simmons, Bobbe Slade, Ruby Bonds, Lucille Cheetham, Hazel Guy, Marian Hardman, Bert Hare, Helen Puffer and Mary Van Scyoc.

The outlook on new members is good as Rosemary Potter and Velma Wilson of Hutchinson joined and Iona Smyer of Arkansas City and two or three other there are excellent potentials. We certainly enjoyed having all of these girls and hope to see them often.

Since this was Guest Day for the Kansas Chapter, business was dispensed with except for the next meeting date being set for June 17th in Garden City where Chairman Waddell has invited us to a barbecue lunch in her new home.

As we gathered together to go to the Airport for our departure the topic of conversation was Lucille Cheetham of Arkansas City who is planning to enter the TAR. Lucille, or Suzie, as she

prefers to be called, is 27 years old, is a commercial pilot with 550 hours, a mechanic ground instructor, a parachute rigger and jumper with 14 parachute jumps at air shows to her credit, she has done spraying and has flown paper routes. She has been flying since 1944 and is an active member of the CAP and the Ark City Flying Club. Suzie is employed as a mechanic at the Smyer Aircraft Company of Arkansas City. The Kansas girls are backing her full force in the Race.

In the interest of promoting aviation, the Kansas 99s have offered to donate a rotating trophy to the Flying Farmers Queen of the State of Kansas, which trophy will be handed down each year to the winning Queen. The presentation of the trophy and the announcement of the 1951 Queen will be made at the Flying Farmers Banquet in Manhattan June 8th and three of our members, Helen Simmons, Margaret Ash and Bobbe Slade plan to be there for the presentation.

The Kansas Chapter has registered its members with the Office of Civil Defense for Kansas and has offered its services at such time as they are needed.

We are delighted to welcome Ruby Bonds, who transferred from the Greater Kansas City Chapter when she moved to Wichita from Joplin and Dorothy Evans of Wichita. We're sure glad to have you with us, girls.

Eight out of the thirteen Kansas members have over 200 hours.

MISSOURI VALLEY CHAPTER
By: Pennie Schmer

After days of rain and thunderstorms, the Missouri Valley Chapter met for their monthly meeting at Fairbury, Nebraska, Sunday May 20th for a Flight Breakfast. The occasion was the formal dedication of the new hanger and runway for the Municipal Airport of Fairbury. A delicious breakfast of pancakes, sausage, coffee and plenty of butter and syrup was served by the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

We had six planes for our group, consisting of the following: Helen Moore, Ruth Kees and her 49^{er} from Beatrice; Wilda Wilson and Pennie Schmer, North Platte; Belle Hetzel and a guest Dorothy Shultz, Omaha. Dorothy is doing research work in the Deaf school of Council Bluffs and is originally from San Jose, California. Dorothy Kidder, Janie Bay and 49^{er} Curly, Dorothy Reed and 49^{er} Claude, Marge McBride and guest Roma Brown, all of Omaha. Marge and Roma have an aerial photography service which is very interesting to the rest of the group.

We held a short business meeting after breakfast. The main topic for this meeting was the annual contest we have covering a six month's period usually from May through October. Our points have been set up and trophies are in discussion at the present time.

Following our meeting, the Jr. Chamber of Commerce escorted us in cars to their fair city. Very nice and neat looking.

For the 99ers and 49^{ers} travelling through this part of the U. S., the following information on coming meetings:

June--The meeting will be held on Sunday, June 17, but for those who can and would like to make the dedication services of the new air strip at Lake McConaughy on the 16th, there are cabins at the lake for your convenience pretty reasonable.
July 15 -- Concordia, Kansas, Belle Hetzel hostess
Aug. 12 -- York, Nebraska

A special invitation to the 99ers and 49^{ers} to come to the dedication of the new Aquacade at Hastings, Nebraska, July 3 and 4th. We are planning on this as an extra fly-in get together.

To our several 99ers who have been ill, we send special regards and hope to see you soon at the meetings.

OKLAHOMA CHAPTER
By: Ann Martin

Regular meeting was held Sunday, May 6, at Max Westheimer Field, Norman, Oklahoma, for the purpose of meeting the winner

of the 99 trophy for the outstanding girl pilot in the National Intercollegiate Flying Association Air Meet held that weekend in Norman at the University of Oklahoma. The winner was Deborah Knight, Stephens College, Columbia, Mo. There were four girls and their instructor from Stephens College present and they explained their flight program. Stephens had sixteen girls entered in the contest.

The Oklahoma University contestant won the navigation contest by 1/2 second of ETA. It is interesting to note that the fifth place winner was only 37 seconds of ETA. All time pieces were removed from contestants and clocks were painted over in the aircraft.

99 members completing the Red Cross First Aid Course were Dorothy Morgan, Mary Francis, Delrose Sieber, Ann Martin, Elizabeth Sewell, Imogene Arnot, Beth Smith and Irby Smart. We all want to express our appreciation to Velma Woodward for so generously donating her home and time as instructor. The course ran three weeks with meetings three hours each night, two nights a week.

Cecilia Jane Frew is leaving to join her husband in Montgomery, Alabama, for at least three months. The address will be: Major A. L. Frew, 3810 Medical Group, Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Alabama.

Mary Francis with the children, will join her husband in Caracas, Venezuela, for the summer.

Welcome to new member Imogene Arnot of Oklahoma City, employed by the Oklahoma Aviation Commission. Dot Young is now instructing at Wiley Post Airport for Johnny Burke. Wynema Masonhall is now in McAlester, Oklahoma. She will still receive her mail at her mother's address in Minco, Oklahoma.

We have all missed seeing Eloise Dugger, Ruth Harris (Clinton), Glenna Kobel, Leona Nance, Dolly Sauter, Billie Tune, Dot Young, Veda Mauk and Velma Dunlap, at our regular meetings. Come on out, you gals. Hope the out-of-state members will soon find a chance to attend some meetings too, for a good visit.

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

WASHINGTON STATE CHAPTER
By: Gini Stover Richardson

Typical Western Washington and Oregon weather prevailed Sunday May 13, causing the mountain passes to be IFR only, which prevented the 99'ers from flying to Yakima for a Sectional meeting where yours truly had planned activities for the entire day.

Our Chapter has indeed been off to a slow start this year, mainly because of our limited number of members, but our plans for the future are abundant. Just watch us grow, and grow and grow.

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

LOS ANGELES CHAPTER
By: Trixie-Ann G. Schubert

One of the hardest working gals on the West Coast is Clara Davis who not only is serving on the TAR Committee but is chairman of the L. A. chapter committee sponsoring the start of TAR. Working with her on the latter committee are Anne Rambo, housing and transportation for race pilots; Bea Medes, field and flight; Bette Glaser and Jeanne Strahl, entertainment and banquet.

The Santa Ana Junior Chamber of Commerce has signed a contract to sponsor the start of the race in Orange county. Clara, subsequently followed through with money making schemes to give race pilots a sendoff they'll never forget. She organized a rummage sale and with the considerable help of the Amelia Earhart Post, Anne Rambo, Melba Beard and Fern Steffler held a sale that was a success down to the last shoestring.

L. A. Ninety-Nines were hostesses at the Aviation Spring Roundup at San Fernando Valley Airport, May 27th. The mayor and sheriff of L. A. landed in a helicopter and were greeted by the 99s as were other aviation celebrities. Stunt flier

Ray Goudy put on an airshow of his own, and a box lunch took care of the feasting.

Donna Evans, who has been tutoring the Gardena Girl Wing Scouts this last year reports that the fledglings, sponsored by the L.A. 99s, are ready for their wings and will receive them at a special ceremony.

Jeanne Strahl and hubby John are moving into the home they built at 15510 Milbank Street, Encino, Calif.

The L.A. 99 May meeting was a breakfast flight to Hi Hi Sky Ranch at Oceanside. After waiting for an off ocean fog to lift, the gals met for breakfast and fun with members of the San Diego Chapter.

The June meet featured an aviation education get together with NAA.

SAN DIEGO CHAPTER
By: Julie Hale

We hope that soon you'll all have a chance to see the picture of our Wing Scouts at the "graduation" party--a tour of Lindbergh Field followed by an informal meeting with the 99s at Friedkin's Pilots Lounge. This "89" Club, as they call themselves (consolidating their original 8 members and the 99's) has surely been an enthusiastic bunch and has more than doubled in number.

Our fly-in breakfast with Los Angeles at the Oceanside Hi Hi Sky Ranch was super--except for a couple of planes grounded in L.A. Helen Diok and Maxine Smith flew in by Super-Cruiser; Julie Hale and Larry Culbert by Sky-Ranger; Dottie Sanders and Bob in their Cessna 140; LoWanda and Jim Gabriel in their 140; Ann Grogan by Mooney; Thelma Bishop, her husband and Joan Lovett in the Bishop's beautiful new Piper Family Cruiser; Betty Gillies, Mary Ring and son Ward in Betty's Navion; Ernestine Stanley and her husband. For various reasons, car bound 99s were Betty Lambert, husband Art and two sons; Amy Changnon and Sandra; Lois and Harry Bartling. L.A. members we saw were Melba Beard, Irma Story, Lela Hobday, Anne Rambo and many others. Let's do it again soon!

The date of our Aviation Ball has been set for July 21, probably at the San Diego Hotel's Continental Room. At this time, we will honor the San Diego entrants in the Transcontinental Air Race and their sponsors.

Janice Holzman is graduating on June 7th as a Medical Assistant after a tough course. Marian Mishler is spending her vacation on skis, while Mary and Roger Ring are planning to fly back east in their T-craft early in June. Donna Davis Sheridan is checked out in her Stinson and is planning to move to Austin, Texas soon. And we have a new member to brag about: Margaret "pinky" Hayes, who belongs to a flying club owning a Cessna 170.

C A N A D I A N S E C T I O N

By: Betty McCause

It was with very deep sorrow that we learned of the death of Bella Heineman. We first met Bella at the National Convention in New York, again in Montreal at the International Air Race and here in Ottawa when she visited us for the inauguration of our section. She will long be remembered with admiration and respect.

Ottawa Airport was buzzing with activity on May 5, when the Ottawa Flying Club held a Bombing Competition and the Ninety-Nines a gala square dance in the evening. Prizes were presented during the dance and the bag of flour coming closest to the target belonged to "Deadeys" McCause. Not so lucky in placing her bomb Governor Phyllis Klotz, piloted by Dot Drew, won the consolation prize. At a Spot Landing Contest held at the Club on Saturday Lorna Bray took top honors for the women. Lorna is working in the office at the club for the summer months and represented the Ninety-Nines on a fly-in fishing trip to Killaloe, Ontario, May 24.

The National Convention is the main topic of conversation these days. Just who can get to Mackinac Island from Ottawa is not quite definite yet but we have heard that Marjorie Laws from Moncton will be there without fail.