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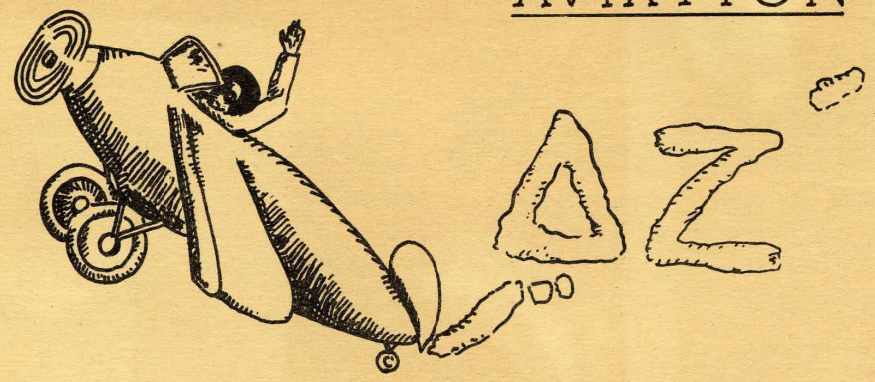

GLADYS VICKERS CROOKS
AIR QUEEN

Mrs. Ed Crooks to Receive Award

Mrs. Ed Crooks left Wednesd morning for Seattle where she attend the annual air awards quet of the Associated Women oots of Boeing Field. At this banquet Mrs. Crooks will be awarded a radio telephone operator's license, third class. There will be many other awards being made the same evening to other women pilots. Mrs. Crooks is advertising her home town by taking a crate of Kennewick's famous Wray Red strawberries which will be served at the banquet. She is also taking invitations from the mayor and chamber of commerce to these women pilots to stop in Kennewick while on their annual tour in 1938. Mrs. Crooks plans to return home Friday.

Fly Away Cupid, Fly Away Love,
But NEVER ALONE To THE STARS ABOVE,
Always TOGETHER your LOVE AND YOU,
Flying FOREVER THERE IN THE BLUE.
AND THIS our WISH for YOU, GLADYS
OUR PAL,
"MAY YOU ALWAYS AND EVER BE THE
HAPPIEST GAL"
W.I.A.A.

Alpha of Theta Sigma Phi
requests the honor of your presence
at the
Sixth Annual Matrix Table
honoring Seattle women of achievement
on Tuesday evening, the twelfth of May
nineteen hundred and thirty-six
Reception at seven o'clock

R.S.V.P.
Claire Drew Forbes
126 -14th Ave. North

Sorrento Hotel
Terry and Madison
Couvert $2.00

IN AIR LINER CRASH—*Mr. and Mrs. Martin Johnson, seriously hurt in a crack-up in California. Picture taken on Seattle visit when they were welcomed by Miss Gladys Vickers (left). (Story on Page 1.)*

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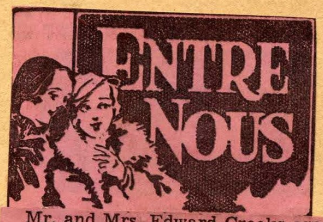

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Crooks are looking forward to rural life in the near future. They are moving to Kennewick about March 15, where they already have cherry and pea(?) trees bearing on their farm land, on which they will start building a house April 1. Both Mr. and Mrs. Crooks have pilots' licenses, Mr. Crooks being a commercial flyer. It is his business that takes him to Kennewick. "We will commute often," says Mrs. Crooks, "as it only takes two hours in our big plane."

Mrs. Crooks served as president for two years of the Associated Women Pilots.

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operator's license from the federal communications commission. Mrs. Dorothy McLean, wife of an Alaskan flyer, took the examination at the same time and got the next license.

Mrs. Crooks explained that it is becoming more and more necessary for pilots to have radio licenses, as the larger airports require all planes to be equipped with two-way radios, which can be operated only by licensed personnel.

She said that she and her husband, Ed Crooks, a commercial pilot at Boeing Field, are preparing to equip their plane with a two-way radio, and that she took the examination in anticipation of this.

TRAIL BLAZER—*Mrs. Gladys Crooks, who yesterday received first radio license given a Seattle woman flyer. (Story on Page 15)*
—(Picture by Post-Intelligencer Staff Photographer)

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

RADIO TELEPHONE OPERATOR LICENSE

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(Class)

This certifies that GLADYS VICKERS CROOKS----------

possesses the requisite qualifications for and is a licensed radio operator authorized to operate any licensed radio station of the class specified by the regulations of the Federal Communications Commission, governing the issuance of radio operators licenses.

This license is granted under the authority of the Communications Act of 1934, and the terms and conditions thereof and of all legislative acts, executive orders, and treaties to which the United States is signatory, and all rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission, which are binding upon radio operators, are made a part hereof as though specifically set out in full herein.

Neither this license nor the rights granted hereunder shall be assigned or otherwise transferred to any other person.

This license was issued at Seattle, Washington *on* March 3rd, 1937
and will expire at three o'clock A. M., Eastern Standard Time March 2nd *19* 40.

Special Endorsement:

By Direction of the
Federal Communications Commission,

(Licensee)

L. C. Herndon
(Examining Officer)
Inspector in Charge.

Acting *(Secretary)*

(THIS LICENSE IS NOT VALID UNTIL SIGNED ABOVE BY BOTH THE LICENSEE AND THE EXAMINING OFFICER, AND THE OATH OF SECRECY EXECUTED ON THE REVERSE HEREOF.)

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Seattle Air Show

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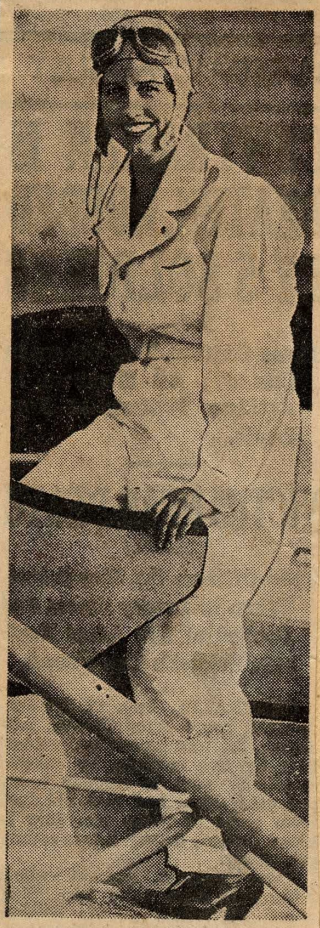


Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, noted stunt flier and wife of Ed Crooks, Seattle and Longview pilot, who will be the first queen of Seattle's fourth annual air show in connection with the South Seattle Industrial Exposition later this month.

vest—SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 1936

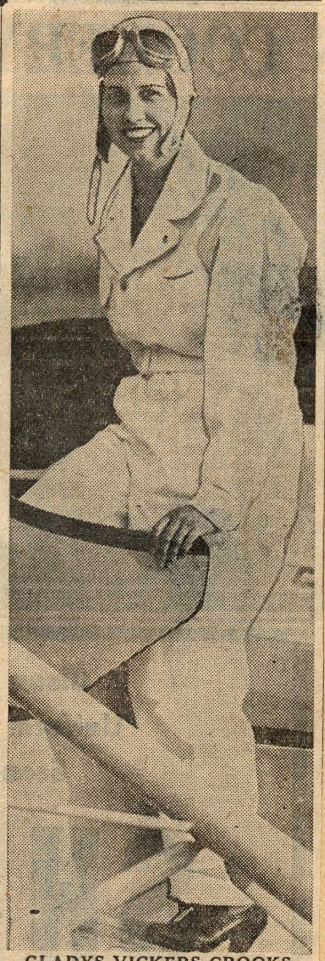
GIRL FLYER WILL RULE AIR SHOW

Gladys V. Crooks Selected for Honor

Believing that air shows should be ruled over by a "queen" who is herself a skilled flyer, committee members of the Fourth Annual Air Show sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, yesterday disclosed that Gladys Vickers Crooks, 1756 Spokane St., licensed pilot and aviation enthusiast, will become "Queen Gladys" for this year's air show on August 30.

The "queen," who is president of the Associated Women Pilots of Washington, will greet the large delegation of noted flyers who are to be in Seattle to take part in the spectacular program of the air show. Included in the events will be stunt flying, the finish of air derbies from Vancouver, B. C., and Spokane, and intricate aerial maneuvers and demonstrations by military aviation units.

"Queen Gladys" has more than 200 hours of actual flying to her credit. Yesterday she was in Vancouver, B. C., attending the air show of that city's Golden Jubilee festivities. She is participating in the aviation events of that program and, as the official representative of the Seattle Junior Chamber of Commerce, is inviting flyers of Western Canada to come to the local event on August 30.



GLADYS VICKERS CROOKS
To Be Queen of Air Show
—(Photo by A. N. Nichols.)

Gladys
Your Delta Zeta
Sorority Sisters
are Proud of You.

Presented by
Marie Ouellette
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Program of Events

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AIR DERBY—Aberdeen to Seattle—12:00 Noon, Saturday
Sponsored by Seattle Brewing and Malting Co., manufacturers of Rainier and Rhinelander Beer

1:00 P. M. Arrival of Air Queen, GLADYS CROOKS

1:15 P. M. Transport Plane Departure, UNITED AIR LINES

1:20 P. M. Model Plane Flying Exhibition

1:50 P. M. Glider Flight, CLOYED ARTMAN

2:15 P. M. Transport Plane Departure, NORTHWEST AIR LINES

2:20 P. M. Free for All Handicap Race

2:40 P. M. Special Event

3:00 P. M. Puff Race

3:20 P. M. Dead Stick Landing Contest
(Switch is not cut)

3:45 P. M. Transport Plane Departure, UNITED AIR LINES

3:50 P. M. Special Event

4:05 P. M. Women's Bombing Contest, Permanent Trophy

4:20 P. M. National Guard Air Corps Flight
(Commanded by Major Robin A. Day)

4:35 P. M. Puddle Jumper Sweepstakes
(Limited to planes of 45 H.P. or under)

4:50 P. M. Demonstration of Crazy Flying,
LIEUT. A. ELLIOTT MERRILL

4:55 P. M. Speed Dash, Airplane and Automobile
(Mills Motor Company)

5:15 P. M. Glider Flight, CLOYED ARTMAN

5:50 P. M. Transport Plane Arrival, CANADIAN AIRWAYS, LTD.

Announcer: LIEUTENANT JOSEPH P. ADAMS, U. S. M. C. R.

JUDGES

CAPT. L. B. STEDMAN, U. S. M. C. LIEUT. B. B. SMITH, U. S. N. R.

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GLADYS VICKERS

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Stunt Flyer in a Kinner Sportster

See page 376

She Flies Through the Air

AND we know it is with the greatest of ease because "she" is Gladys Vickers, Phi '33, and the only Delta Zeta stunt flyer that we know. Gladys was graduated from Washington State College at Pullman in 1933 and was rather undecided about her plans for the future. She had always been interested in a number of things, was active in the chapter and on the campus, full of vim and enthusiasm, and the ordinary positions and fields open to women did not seem to have the proper appeal. As a way of marking time until she decided what she really wanted to do she took a stenographic position at Boeing Field in Seattle, and it wasn't long before the flying fever claimed another victim. After an incredibly short time she acquired her Private Pilot's License and started to work on her commercial license, which she has since received. Then she took up acrobatic, or stunt flying.

Her Seattle debut in acrobatic flying was at the Seattle Junior Chamber of Commerce Annual Airshow, where she had the honor of being the only Seattle flyer to be given an individual spot on the program. It was at this show that she had her most thrilling experience. In her own words, "I had learned to do some difficult maneuvers at an altitude of 2000 feet. On the day of the show the ceiling was at times 800 feet, but never higher than 1000. Many of the maneuvers took 500 feet to complete when done perfectly and more if I slipped up the least little bit on any detail. I went up and flew my routine, but the ground whizzed mighty close once or twice when I was flying upside down. I not only had thrills, I had chills. However, I lived to tell about it and that is all that counts."

Gladys has flown all over Washington and Oregon and has never had a crack-up or a forced landing. She flew to Phi Chapter's reunion at Olympia, taking another Delta Zeta with her. Kappa Chapter, at the University of Washington went aëronautical at their rush parties last fall, holding a luncheon in the Women's National Aëronautic Association Club rooms. After the luncheon, Gladys went up and gave them an exhibition of loops, spins, inverted flying and barrel rolls. Then she came down and took several rushees for a ride. What a thrill!

Needless to say, Gladys Vickers is more than enthusiastic about her chosen field of work. She is affiliated with the Women's National Aëronautic Association; the National Aëronautic Association; is President of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field (an organization limited to licensed women fliers whose chief purpose is to interest other women in flying, and very successful, gaining two new members a month for the last three months) and a member of Ninety-Nines, a national organization of licensed women flyers.

So, a suggestion from Gladys, to all you girls who just don't know what on earth to do, why not take to the air? That field isn't crowded.

Seattle P.I. april 21.

FLYING FIRST AID UNIT

Prepared to fly to the scene of any aerial disaster and render first aid, five Seattle women flyers are proud possessors of emblems and certificates at the completion of a first aid training course sponsored by the American Red Cross.

The women, Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, Miss Mary A. Riddle, Miss Opal Riser, Miss Mildred E. Filz and Miss Emma Leavenworth, comprise the first women's flying first aid unit in the country, H. R. McDonald, Red Cross first aid instructor who made the awards, said. All the women are members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field.

Seattle Times
APRIL 20, 1936.

5 AVIATRICES IN RED CROSS UNIT

Five Seattle aviatrices, Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, Miss Mary A Riddle, Miss Opal Hiser, Miss Mildred E. Filz and Miss Emma Leavenworth, were announced today as winner of emblems and certificates after completing a first-aid course sponsored by the American Red Cross.

The women are members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field. H. R. McDonald, Red Cross first - aid instructor, who announced the awards, said the aviatrices comprise the first women's flying first-aid unit in the nation. They are prepared to fly to any disaster scene to render first aid.

BETWEEN THE LINES

MRS. GLADYS CROOK, whose husband is Ed Crook, the Longview boy who has gradually pushed forward in the flying field, is president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field in Seattle and is up in the front line with husband Ed when it comes to piloting a plane.

When she flies down to Longview for an occasional week-end, you will notice that Mrs. Crook wears a blue rayon finish overall with an emblem—a woman's high-heeled shoe with wings in silver—on the back, and her name on the front pocket. That's the official uniform of the club Mrs. Crook heads and the high heel shoe with wings is the group's insignia. There are about 25 members in the club, several in different parts of the state, and 15 are active.

Walk a Little Faster

The Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field entertained their friends and those who have helped them in their accomplishments, at tea last Sunday afternoon, and also used the occasion to show off their new clubroom in the administration building on the field—a room where the girls may rest during their workouts, where they may read up on the latest in aviation in magazines and books (a library has just been started).

The colors of the club are blue and silver, and so the room is in these colors. The drapes and Venetian blinds are blue, the studio couch is blue, and there is a place on the wall for pictures of each member taken at the time of her first solo flight. So far several photographs have been placed there. Other studies, showing the various aviation activities of the girls, are on the walls.

When the girls are at work, taking ground lessons or taking their first solo flights, they wear a blue overall, designed especially for them, with the club emblem—a woman's high-heeled shoe with wings—on the back, and the owner's name on the front pocket.

There are about twenty-five members, several in different parts of the state, and fifteen are active. Mrs. Gladys Crook is president; Miss Mildred Filz, secretary, and Miss Louise Patterson, treasurer. Evening meetings are held monthly in a downtown office, but have stopped for the summer.

However, any day, Sundays especially, if you drive past Boeing Field, you will see blue-overalled figures having a grand time with their wings.

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Women Pilots Will Hold Third Cross Country Hop

Tacoma will be the destination of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field when its members take the third of their series of cross country flights next Sunday morning.

The Seattle girl flyers, who will take off at 10 a. m. from Boeing Field and who will return at noon, include Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, Miss Lucille Stone, Miss Rose Trick, Miss Mildred Ajax, Mrs. Lettie Johnson, Miss Mary Riddle, Miss Mildred Filz and Miss Grace Shanahan.

During the short time the Seattle flyers are in the City of Destiny they will issue an invitation to the flying women of that city to attend an open house Sunday from 2 to 5 o'clock in their new club room in the Administration Building at Boeing Field.

GUEST LIST

Among the guests invited to the affair are William S. Moore, U. S. government aeronautics inspector, and Mrs. Moore; A. G. Kinsman, West Coast traffic manager for Northwest Airlines, and Mrs. Kinsman; Ernest B. Code, Seattle traffic representative for Canadian Airways, and Frank Yates, manager of Boeing Field, and Mrs. Yates.

Also included in the list are the three flight surgeons of this city and their wives, Dr. and Mrs. Harry V. W demann, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Firestone and Dr. and Mrs. Leland Bull. Other invited guests will be Lieut. Beebe Smith of the naval air base at Sand Point; Arthur Anderson, publicity director for Northwest Airlines; Richard Rummel, publicity director for United Airlines, and Mrs. Rummel, and the following women flyers from Olympia:

MESDAMES

Margaret Murrow	Gwynn Hicks

MISSES

Marie Lamb	Billie Officer
Mildred Campbell	Rhetha Chance
Jay Grisby	

Invitations have also been issued to Lieut. A. Elliott Merrill and the following:

MESSRS. AND MESDAMES

Leonard R. Peterson	Allan Blum
Gilbert R. Cook	Jack Peterson
N. D. Showalter Jr.	James Buelow
Garth Smith	Stanis Van Meensel
	Jay Graybill

MESSRS.

Edward Crooks	Gene Spear
E. L. Andrews	Fred Weed
Forrest Johnson	Adney Smith
James Galvin	Claude Thompson
Donald Emmons	Jack Cram
Claude Merchant	

Two Flyers Marry

Wedding Secret From All But Three

A romance in which Cupid rode the airways climaxed yesterday when the strains of "Lohengrin"

GLADYS VICKERS
Quietly Wedded

rose softly from the Plymouth Congregational Church organ and Gladys Vickers, twenty-three-year-old Seattle aviatrix, and Edward Crooks, twenty-six, aviator, were married.

The wedding, kept a secret from all but three friends who attended them at the ceremony, culminated a romance which began on Boeing Field, where the young couple took daily hops.

The two met a year ago, shortly after Miss Vickers had taken her first plane for a solo flight. Since then she's been doing considerable flying, and is a leader in Seattle's feminine flying corps.

Crooks, who is office manager for the Leonard R. Peterson, Inc., flying school and service, holds a limited commercial air license, and friends say he and Miss Vickers have been flying together for the past three months.

Miss Vickers was graduated from Washington State College in 1933. Crooks' home was in Longview before coming to Seattle.

Friends learned of the ceremony when Crooks called the Peterson company at Boeing Field yesterday afternoon, saying he was taking a "little vacation" until next Sunday.

EDWARD CROOKS WED TO YOUNG GIRL AERIALIST

SEATTLE, July 24.-(AP)-Edward Crooks, 26-year-old aviator, formerly of Longview, and his bride, the former Miss Gladys Vickers, 23, a Washington State college graduate two years ago, were honeymooning today. They met here a year ago shortly after Miss Vickers, also a flier, made her first solo flight.

They were married yesterday at the Plymouth Congregational church. Friends learned of it when he telephoned his office he wanted a "vacation until Sunday."

Edward Crooks is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Crooks, who reside at 3103 Pine Street in Columbia Valley Gardens. The newlyweds stopped for a short time in Longview last night. They were enroute to Long Beach for their honeymoon. Mr. Crooks is well known locally as an aviator and ardent huntsman and fisherman. His bride is also known here. She is one of the few women stunt fliers of the Northwest.

1st She Soloed, Then Met 'Him'; Now It's 'Duet'

Climaxing a romance of the airways, Miss Gladys Vickers, 23-year-old Seattle aviatrice and 1933 Washington State College graduate, became the bride yesterday of Edward Crooks, 26-year-old aviator, at Plymouth Congregational Church.

Friends learned of the marriage when Crooks telephoned the office of a flying school where he is office manager, and said he was taking a "vacation" until Sunday. The couple met a year ago at Boeing Field, shorthly after Miss Vickers had taken her first solo flight. She and Crooks, who holds a limited commercial air license, have been flying together frequently in the past three months.

Crooks formerly resided at Longview. Miss Vickers was a member of Delta Zeta Sorority at the State College.

AVIATRIX WEDS

Kennewick friends of Miss Gladys Vickers have received word of her marriage to Mr. Edward Crooks of Longview. The ceremony was performed at the Plymouth Congregational church in Seattle Tuesday morning.

Mr. Crooks is the Seattle aviator who accompanied Miss Vickers to Kennewick for her stunting exhibition the Fourth. They met in Seattle about a year ago, about the time Miss Vickers obtained her pilot's license.

Miss Vickers was formerly a resident of the Highlands community. She graduated from the local high school and later from Washington State college and University of Washington. She is 23 years old and her husband 26.

It is expected Mr. and Mrs. Crooks will both continue in the flying industry, and we join with their friends in wishing them happy landings.

Bernie Neuman to Make Parachute Jump Monday

Eight out of ten people will brazenly declare their willingness to jump out of an airplane with a parachute—until confronted with an actual opportunity.

Pilot Ed Crooks, who is putting on the air circus for the local celebration, has about lost faith in humanity over people's foibles in this respect. After receiving half a score replies to his request for a local jumper, the quest narrowed down to just one. That one will actually do the trick, however.

"Bernie" Neuman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gus Neuman of the Garden Tracts, will make the thrilling leap from Crooks' ship sometime Monday before the rodeo starts.

"Bernie" has had three years' experience in the aviation section in the army, with more than 2,000 hours of actual flying. The trip in the ship will be no thrill for him, but he claims that the first five seconds of a jump is thrilling for the most blase jumper.

The flight will be made from the grounds near the park and Mr. Crooks is hopeful of being able to "dump" his passenger right in the middle of it. He says he will fly to an altitude of 2500 feet before releasing his passenger, which will give a margin of safety and still be low enough so that everyone will be able to see the leap.

"Bernie" says that the landing with the 28-foot "umbrella" is about equal to a leap from a twelve-foot height, so that complete relaxation must be had upon contact.

Complying with the department of commerce regulations, Mr. Neuman will wear a double 'chute in his drop from the clouds. At that, he says, he'd rather step out into the thin air than climb aboard one of Richmond's bucking horses.

Mr. Crooks will make passenger flights from the local field all three days of the celebration.

SEVEN WOMEN FLYERS GIVEN NEW CHEVRONS

U. S. Inspector Makes Presentations at Meeting of Association; 23 in Group Now

New chevrons adorn the blue flying suits of seven of the members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field.

The chevrons were presented at the organization's final meeting of their calendar year, and it is planned to make an annual events of the awards.

William S. Moore, inspector of the United States department of commerce, presented the chevrons —one stripe for possessors of amateur license, two stripes for private license, three for limited commercial and four for transport license.

ALL ACTIVE FLYERS

The seven women who received chevrons were Cora Sterling, Mary Riddle, Dora D. Skinner, Gladys Vickers, Midred Filz, Virginia Ogden Andrews and Edna Barrie Anderson.

There are twenty-three members in the organization, seven having joined since the first of January, and all are active flyers. Gladys Vickers is president, Mildred Filz, secretary, and Mary Riddle, vice president.

Last Sunday seven members of the organization flew to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, and took part in the air show there.

Chevrons and Stars Will Be Presented

The Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field will hold their first annual "Awards Day" Wednesday, June 5. The awards are to be white chevrons and stars to be worn on the club uniforms. The chevrons designate the license each pilot holds, and each star represents 100 hours of solo flying time. The presentation is to take place at Boeing Field at 6 p. m., and William Moore, United States department of commerce inspector, will present the awards.

Following this event, the members will go to the New Washington Hotel, where dinner will be served at 7:30 p. m. to the pilots and their friends. Mr. Moore will be guest of honor.

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Girl Flyers Given Stars By Inspector

White chevrons, designating the grade of license each pilot holds, and a white star for every 100 hours of solo flying, were presented to members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field at their first annual "awards day," held yesterday.

The awards were presented in military fashion in front of the Administration Building at Boeing Field by William Moore, United States department of commerce inspector for the state of Washington. Following this a dinner was held at the New Washington Hotel for the pilots and their friends and with Mr. Moore as honor guest.

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Insignia were received by members as follows:

Miss Cora Sterling, transport pilot's license—Four chevrons and two stars for 280 hours of flying time.

Mrs. Dora D. Skinner of Yakima, private pilot's license—Two chevrons and two stars for 250 hours of solo flying.

Miss Mary A. Riddle, private pilot's license—Two chevrons and two stars for her solo flying time, which is over 200 hours.

Miss Gladys Vickers, private pilot's license—Two chevrons and one star for 170 hours of solo time.

Mrs. Edna Barrie Anderson, amateur pilot's license—One chevron.

Miss Mildred E. Filz, private pilot's license—Two chevrons and one star for 125 hours of solo time.

Mrs. Virginia Ogden Andrews, one star for 140 hours of solo time.

Attending the dinner, besides Miss Vicekrs, president of the Women Pilots, were Mrs. Andrews, Miss Jane Field, Miss Filz, Miss Kathleen Green, Miss Louise Green, Miss Jerry Fletcher, Mrs. Lettie Johnson, Miss Edna Olson, Miss Betty Mayer, Mrs. Robert Mensing, Miss Louise Patterson, Miss Riddle, Miss Hazel Twining, Miss Grace Shanahan, Mrs. Skinner, Miss Sterling, Mrs. Florence West, Mrs. Helen Whitehead, Mrs. Helen Ogden and Mr. Moore.

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The six licensed pilots, belonging to the organization, flew ships to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, June 2, to attend the air show at which they were honor guests. Those participating in the flight were:

Miss Sterling, who flew a Waco Cabin plane; Miss Vickers, who piloted a Great Lakes plane belonging to Leonard R. Peterson, Inc.; Miss Riddle and Miss Filz, who flew the low-wing Kinner Sportser belonging to Washington Aircraft Transport Corporation, and Mrs. Skinner and Mrs. Anderson, who were the pilots of the Cardinal. Mrs. Skinner's own plane.

The women's event on the air show program was a bombing contest, which was won by Mrs. Anderson, with Mrs. Skinner and Miss Vickers coming in second and third, respectively.

The Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field is said to be one of the most active women flying groups in the United States.

Seattle P.I. - April 5.

WOMEN PLAN FLIGHT SUNDAY

Nine Seattle flyers, members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, will fly to Olympia tomorrow morning for breakfast with Olympia birdwomen.

It will be their first air jaunt of the season and several other such trips will be made before they fly to Spokane the latter part of June to attend the Northwest women's air meet.

Those who will take part in tomorrow's air junket, flying their own or rented planes, are Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, president of the group; Miss Opal Hiser, Miss Grace Shanahan, Mrs. Lettie Johnson, Miss Mary Riddle, said to be the world's only Indian woman flyer; Miss Mildred Filz, Miss Lucille Stone, Miss Rose Trick and Miss Mildred Ajax.

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SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER — April 7

FLY INSTEAD OF KNIT
These Business Girls ARE UP TO DATE

MRS. GLADYS CROOKS GRACE SHANAHAN LUCILLE STONE

OPAL HISER ROSE TRICK MILDRED AJAX

GIRL PILOTS WATCH SKIES FOR SISTER FLYERS

First Six "in" From Olympia Flight Awaiting Planes of Five Comrades

—(International News Photo by Post-Intelligencer Staff Photographer.)

Seattle Women Pilots Make Mass Flight

Eleven women flyers, three of them holding pilots' licenses, and all of them members of the Associated Women Flyers of Boeing Field, early yesterday morning hopped for Olympia on their first flight of the season.

"We flew over to visit the Olympia flyers—flying is a convenient way to be neighborly," Mrs. Gladys Crooks, president, said, as they returned to Boeing Field a few hours later. "We went to tell them of our organization, and the fun that it is, and also to give our new members more time in the air."

Those who made the flight were Mrs. Crooks, Mildred Filz and Mary Riddle, all of whom hold pilot's licenses; and Grace Shanahan, Lucille Stone, Opal Hiser, Mrs. Lettie Johnson, Mrs. Gladys Smith, wife of Mayor Charles L. Smith, Kathleen Green, Mildred Ajax and Rose Trick.

"We plan to hold a series of breakfast flights," Mrs. Crooks said, "meeting at our club rooms in the administration building for breakfast, two or three times a month, then spending several hours in the air.

"Our Western chapter here is different from the women's flying groups in the East. Most of those are moneyed groups, while most of our members are business girls."

DAILY TIMES

FLYING BRIDE'S HOME LOOTED

Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, bride of two months and president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, lost clothing and $75 worth of jewelry last night when burglars looted her home at 1756 Spokane St.

Mrs. Crooks and her husband, Edward Crooks, Boeing Field aviator, were away when the burglary occurred. The loot included a muskrat fur coat.

JUNIOR BIRDMEN OF AMERICA

DEVOTED TO THE INTEREST OF AMERICAN YOUTH IN AVIATION.

TODAY'S PILOTS OF MODELS — TOMORROW'S MODEL PILOTS.

By GEORGE PRATT
Seattle Wing Commander

Three young ladies who are making names for themselves in aviation will be featured guests on tonight's Junior Birdmen of America program on KOL at 8:45.

Gladys Vickers Crooks, with 200 hours of flying on her log book, and Lucille Stone and Louise Patterson, who just this last week achieved their first solo hops, will face the microphone as typical members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field.

Their views on the subject of aviation should be interesting to Birdmen, especially the girls in our organization, and of course every boy will wish to listen in, even if a bit envious of the performances of these girls who are already "off the ground" and in the thick of things in an aviation way.

Bobby Kruse, the young Wing junior reporter, and Al Merry, with his "Tips to Model Builders," will join your Wing commander at the mike to complete the program.

FLYERS PERILED AT EXPOSITION

With attendance figures close to the 25,000 mark, the three-day South District Exposition and Air Show ended yesterday at Boeing Field in a flurry of aerial thrills as two pilots had narrow escapes. One plane crashed and another nearly cracked up.

Thousands on the rim of the airport and other thousands on nearby hillsides saw a plane piloted by Robert Lane, Aberdeen, crash into two parked automobiles. Lane escaped injury. Lieut. C. J. Messer furnished another unexpected thrill when he brought his plane out of a tailspin after the craft had fallen from 300 feet to about seventy-five feet over the field.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce, Air Show sponsor, presented a trophy cup to Lana Kurtzer, flying school operator, for making the best individual showing in the many flying contests. Miss Cora Sterling made the best showing for women flyers.

Event winners were: Puddle jumpers sweepstakes for planes of forty-five horsepower or less, Elliott Merrill; stunting, Leonard .R Peterson; free-for-all handicap race, Al Berthold of Aberdeen; women's bombing contest, Gladys Vickers; puff race, Lana Kurtzer; spot landing, John Amunsen.

Girl Flyers Elect Officers for Year

Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks was reelected president of the Women Pilots of Boeing Field at a meeting held recently in the offices of Dr. Harry Vanderbilt Wurdemann in the Stimson Building. Others chosen to serve for the coming year are Miss Mary Riddle, vice president; Miss Mildred E. Filz, secretary, and Miss Edna Olson, treasurer.

The purpose of the organization is to promote interest in aviation and to encourage women to become flyers. This is the third year for the club, which began with five women flyers. The membership is now twenty-five. Women must have flying time to be eligible for membership.

FLYERS MEET TONIGHT

Beginning a year's program of serious study in aviation, members of the Seattle Chapter of the Women's National Aeronautic Association tonight will hear Gladys Vickers Crooks, young pilot, talk on "Types and Styles of Aircraft in Commercial Use."

The meeting will begin with a social hour at 6 o'clock in the chapter's clubrooms at the New Washington Hotel, followed by dinner at 7 p. m. Grace Shannahan will discuss current events in aviation and Patricia Callahan, vice president, will preside.

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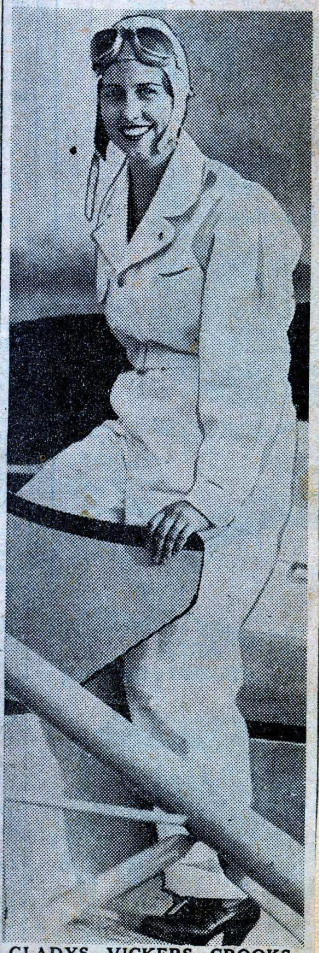
GIRL *Pilot Will Talk on* AIRCRAFT



GLADYS VICKERS CROOKS, pilot, who will talk on aircraft to the Women's Aeronautic Association at a meeting tonight. —(A. N. Nickols Photo.)

Flying Trio Will Stage Air Circus over City at Labor Day Celebration

Seattle Aviator To Bring Three Planes and Girl Acrobat for Aerial Act

REP. HILL TO SPEAK

Special Labor Day Edition Will Replace Regular Issue of The Miner-Echo

An air circus in Cle Elum is the extra feature added to the Big Labor Day celebration here September 3, the Cle Elum-Roslyn Central Labor Council announced yesterday.

Three planes will arrive in the city in the morning and wil maneuver over the city during the morning street parade with spectacular air stunts. One of the leading attractions will be acrobatic flying by Miss Gladys Vickers, aviatrix. During the afternoon the planes will do stunt flying and give rides at Cle Elum's new airport.

A unique prelude to this year's celebration will be the publishing of a Special Labor Edition to herald the celebration in adva... innovation that ha... been atte...

Two young flyers who served as air hostesses during the day are Miss Mildred Filz (left) and Miss Gladys Vickers (right). Center is Miss Sterling.

Girl Stunter Loses Log Book

While Miss Gladys Vickers, well known Seattle aviatrix, was performing over the Yakima airport with her plane yesterday at a 2000-foot altitude, her log book fell from the cockpit and dropped to the ground. Miss Vickers, who flew from Seattle to visit with Mrs. O. S. Sullivan, is a former Yakima girl. In the course of her flying career she has collected a great many autographs of noteworthy personages, all of which are in the little log book that's now —somewhere. As nearly as she can estimate, Miss Vickers was about one-eighth mile south of the Yakima port when the book fell. She left a reward for return of the book with C. D. McAllister at the field.

Girl Flyer Will 'Stunt' as Club Members Dine

Dining al fresco on the roof of the Administration Building at Boeing Field tomorrow morning, members of the Olympic Breakfast Club will be entertained by a dainty young Seattle flyer performing loops and barrel rolls overhead.

She is Miss Gladys Vickers, twenty-two, recognized as one of the most spectacular and capable women exponents of acrobatic flying in the Pacific Northwest.

GLADYS VICKERS
Spectacular Flyer

Seattle Post-Intelligencer

Girls Find Aviation Is Not Mere Sport for Wealthy; Examinations Are Hard

BY ISABEL HARRIS HARLEY

Seattle women are becoming air-minded.

Seattle women are finding that aviation is no longer a sport only for the wealthy, and most of the girls now taking it up work in offices and earn their own living.

When girls learn to fly, they are given no special privileges because they are women.

They must pass the same rigorous, two and one-half hour physical examination that is given to men, before they are issued a student permit to learn to fly.

Eyesight Important

Good eyesight is especially important, but heart, lungs, feet, sense of balance and aptitude must also be right.

The amateur license is the first one obtainable. It is given after a student has soloed for 25 hours, and passed an examination.

A private license and limited commercial license are both granted after 50 successful hours of flying, but the test for the commercial license is much more difficult.

A transport license is granted after 200 hours.

Not Enough Stamina?

Lieut. George Hasselman, now in command of Sand Point Air field, has more than 4000 hours to his credit, and was a world war aviator doing submarine patrol duty. He says of women fliers:

"They make good fliers, but do not have the stamina that men have for commercial flying."

John Harding, around-the-world flier with Smith, Nelson and Wade in 1924 when long distance flying was in its infancy, however, believes that they may be just as good as men fliers. He said:

"Women are competent and capable of learning to operate an airplane correctly. They may be as good or better than men. It all depends on their experience, ability and knowledge of the subject."

Women fliers now have a club for those actively flying. It is called the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field. They are still looking for a suitable insignia. A skirt with wings attached has been suggested, but they don't fancy that.

Indian Girl a Flier

A Quinault Indian girl, Mary Riddle, whose family home is in Grays Harbor, has the most hours of any member of the club. She has 205 hours to her credit and has a limited commercial license. She lives at the Evangeline hotel here in Seattle.

Cora Sterling is the other member of the club to have a limited commercial license. She works in the County-City building.

A number of girls have private licenses. Gladys Vickers, stenographer, has about 100 hours. She is a graduate of W. S. C.

Mildred Filz, Virginia Ogden Andrews, Floy Beagles and Dora Skinner of Yakima all have private licenses.

Anne Shrouger, who is employed by the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co., soloed on her first day of instruction.

Edna Barrie, has passed the examination for an amateur license and her sister, Edith Barrie learned to fly in four days.

Patricia Buchanan, Juanita Mosey, and Grace Shanahan, are active members of the club, but have not yet received licenses.

Ruth Ford, and Miss J. Reynolds are both attending ground school at Boeing field.

Co-eds Are Flying

Two University of Washington co-eds fly. Verna Reed of Anchorage, Alaska, has more than 25 hours to her credit, and Mercedes Sprague of Olympia has a number of hours.

No one could tell from looking at pretty little blonde Ruth Babcock, Garfield High school senior, that she can handle a big plane. She is the daughter of Dr. O. D. Babcock.

Grace Shanahan, a registered nurse; Jane Fields, Kathleen Green and Grace Listman, a nurse at Harborview, are other enthusiastic devotees of aviation, and members of the Women's Flying club.

"Just try it once," say thees girls, "and you will always want to fly."

Seattle Star

Girl to Fly for Breakfast Group

Looping and barrel rolling several hundred feet above solid ground, Miss Gladys Vickers, young Seattle stunt flier, will entertain members of the Olympic Breakfast club tomorrow morning. Miss Vickers, 22, is recognized as one of the most spectacular and capable women acrobatic fliers in the northwest.

Seattle Times

Gladys Vickers and **Cora Sterling** are flying gals that Seattle ought to be mighty proud of! Whenever there's any doings at the airport it's these two gals who are on the job entertaining with a whole bag of air stunts. And know their loops! Whenever sassiety has a Boeing Field outing, as was the case when the Olympia Breakfast Club met there and when the elite pulled a bridge party on the roof of the ad building, Cora and Gladys is right on the job. Gladys says "Well, here I be—with my loops!" But she knows a lot more!

Election day rolled around for the **Associated Women Pilots** of Boeing Field, Seattle, without one worry whether the parties elected were Republicans, Democrats, or Presbyterians! **Gladys Vickers,** with her loops, was elected president; **Mary Riddle,** Injun girl flier with her tomahawk, vice-president, and **Edna Barrie,** secretary. (P. S.—There was no hairpulling either!)

Western Flying

The **Associated Women Pilots** of Boeing Field, which, brewed down to brass tacks, means **Cora Sterling, Gladys Vickers, Mildred Filz, Kathleen Green, Jane Field, Miss E. Berrie** and **Juanita Mosely,** hopped en masse to Portland recently in five ships. The Junior Chamber of Commerce had invited 'em in behalf of Portland fliers. Well, Eugene invited the Portland fliers in behalf of the Eugene fliers, so when the Seattle gals got to Portland they found everyone there had hi-tailed it to Eugene. Nothing was said of where the Eugene pilots went. The whole gang was running around after free meals and it was just a case of "The grass is always greener in the other fellow's yard"! Well, they couldn't fool Gladys—she flew on to Eugene, by heck, and won a Mickey Mouse at a carnival! **Dora Skinner,** Yakima, was included in the flight. Nobuddy got losted!

FLOWERS

For the Living

TODAY, a bouquet to: MISS GLADYS VICKERS, for her efforts toward the advancement of aviation as an activity for women, and upon her election as president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field.

THE SEATTLE STAR
STAR BUILDING
1309 7TH AVE.
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

October 13, 1934

Miss Gladys Vickers
Jefferson Park Apts.
1756 Spokane Street
Seattle, Washington

Dear Miss Vickers:

I am pleased to advise you that your name has been selected to appear in the "Flowers for the Living" column in The Star today, in recognition of your efforts toward the advancement of aviation as an activity for women, and of your election as president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field.

It also gives me great pleasure to send you the flowers enclosed herewith and to express the hope that you will enjoy them as much as The Star enjoys the opportunity of giving your work this well-deserved recognition.

Cordially and sincerely yours,

THE SEATTLE STAR.

R. J. Benjamin

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SEATTLE JOINS IN ARMY DAY CELEBRATION

Military Parade and Pageant of Preparedness This Afternoon. High Point of Demonstration

Dawn Patrol Flight by Women Pilots Will Open Fete; Dance in Evening at Sand Point

Seattle turns expectantly today toward a rousing Army Day, "Wake Up, America!" program, to be climaxed at 3 o'clock this afternoon by a military parade and pageant of preparedness.

The parade, which will traverse 2nd Ave. between Virginia St. and Yesler Way, 4th Ave. between Dilling Way and University St., and University St. from 4th Ave. to 6th Ave., is expected to attract thousands of visitors from outside the city.

The day will be officially ushered in at 6 o'clock by a "dawn patrol flight" over the city by the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field. On their way around the rim of the city, the girls will drop a message of greeting to Lieut. Col. R. P. Howell, commanding officer at Fort Lawton. Participating in this flight will be Miss Mary A. Riddle, leader; Miss Cora Sterling, Miss Mildred E. Filz, Miss Gladys Vickers and Miss Grace Shanahan.

SEATTLE IS GAY FOR ARMY DAY

Colorful Parade Is Feature of Celebration

Hundreds of uniformed men, army men, pride of America's defense forces, marched today to military music as the climax to what promises to be the greatest Army Day program in the history of Seattle.

The parade was to start at 3 p. m. and move along Second avenue between Virginia street and Yesler way, along Fourth avenue between Dilling way and University street and on up to Sixth avenue.

The Dawn Patrol

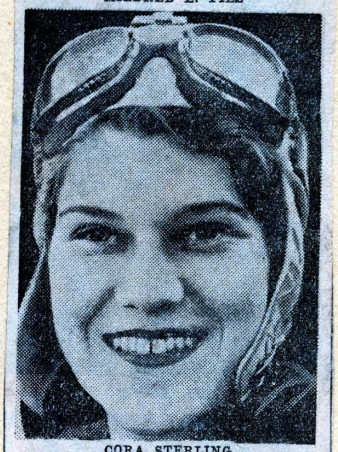
The day's events started with a dawn patrol flight by the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field over the city at 6 a. m. During the flight the girls dropped a message of greeting to Lieut. Col. R. P. Howell, commanding officer at Fort Lawton.

Those taking part in the flight were Miss Cora Sterling, Miss Grace Shanahan, Miss Gladys Vickers, Miss Mildred Filz and Miss Mary A. Riddle, who led the formation.

THEY'LL *Greet* ARMY DAY

GLADYS VICKERS

MILDRED E. FILZ



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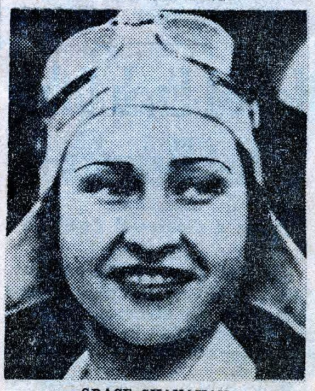

GRACE SHANAHAN

DAWN PATROL!—These pretty girl flyers will soar over Seattle this morning, ushering in the city's great celebration of Army Day.

Women Pilots Up in Arms!

PROTEST OVER BAN ON FLYING

Disclaim Theory That They Lack Stamina

Seattle women pilots—and their name is legion—were up in arms yesterday over the bureau of air commerce's announcement that it planned to impose a ban against feminine flyers on scheduled airways, because of medical examiners' reports that members of the fair sex are "physically unfit" for the daily grind on transport planes in all kinds of weather.

Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field—who, incidentally, has the 200 hours of flying required for a transport license and plans to apply for one in the near future—said her organization would make a formal protest.

Have Endurance

"I see no reason why a woman who can meet the requirements isn't as capable of being a transport pilot as any man," said Mrs. Crooks. "They're as conscientious in their training as men—if not more so—and they undergo the same physical examination. If they can pass it, how can they be considered physically unfit?

"A woman has the endurance to do eight hours of nursing or typing at a stretch, and heaven knows they're more exhausting than flying, which I find exhilarating and almost entirely lacking in physical strain."

"Of course I realize that flying is newer to women than to men," said Mrs. Charles L. Smith, wife of the mayor, with whom she learned to fly, "but I can't see why they should be considered physically inferior. I'm just as physically capable of flying as my husband—and we're both going after our transport licenses.

Cites Amy

"I recognize that there are lots of women—just the same as there are lots of men—who are not physically equipped for transport piloting. But a blanket indictment against the whole sex is silly when you consider the achievements of Amelia Earhart Putnam and other women flyers who have made record flights."

"It's foolish to say that no woman is capable of transport flying," said Miss Lucille Stone, who recently set a record by taking her first solo flight after only five lessons from Leonard R. Peterson. "If she can pass the same tests as a man it's obvious that she is on an equal basis. You bet I'm going right ahead training for my transport license—and I'll be entitled to it if I earn it!"

BIRD'S-EYE VIEWS
What Ladies Think
OF FLYING EDICT

MRS. GLADYS VICKERS CROOKS—"I see no reason why a woman who can meet the requirements isn't as capable of being a transport pilot as a man."

Mrs. Crooks Will Speak on Aviation

"Women's Place in Aviation" is the subject of a talk to be given before the "Y" Business Girls' Club tomorrow evening by Mr. Gladys Crooks, president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field. Mrs. Crooks, treasurer of the Presidents' Council of Seattle, is a seasoned pilot, operating under a non-commercial pilot's license. She and her husband, Edward Crooks, also a flyer, own a private plane, in which they make many extensive trips.

Dinner will be served at 6 p. m., preceding Mrs. Crooks' talk. The business girls' orchestra will entertain during the dinner hour.

Pilots Plan Large Party to Hear Byrd

When Rear Admiral Richard E. Byrd lectures at the Civic Auditorium tonight, Seattle's women pilots and their guests will be in the audience.

Mrs. Ed Crooks, the former Gladys Vickers, is president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, who will be hostesses to the Women's Aeronautical Association and the Men's National Association, groups interested in aviation.

Mary Riddle is in charge of arrangements.

The lecture party will include the Misses Mary Louise Patterson, Jerry Fletcher, Mildred Filz, Emma Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. Forest Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Aleck Buchan.

Among others who have made reservations for the lecture are: Mrs. Mary I. Bash, Dr. and Mrs. Norman W. Clein, Dean and Mrs. Herbert Condon, Dr. and Mrs. William A. Glasgow, Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Guy, Dr. and Mrs. David Hall, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Lyle, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Parvin, Capt. and Mrs. H. B. Riebe and Mr. M. M. Urquides.

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10,000 WATCH PLANE CRASH

Boeing Field Pilot Not Injured

As more than 10,000 spectators gasped in horror, a single-motored plane, piloted by young Robert Lane of Aberdeen, crashed groundward, smashing into two parked automobiles and ending in a dive upon its right wing at the Junior Chamber of Commerce air show at Boeing Field yesterday. Lane escaped injury.

Lieut. Cleo Messer narrowly escaped death in another near-crash when his plane slipped into a spin 300 feet in the air and dived crazily earthward. Messer was able to right the ship as it skimmed fifty feet above buildings, hedging the north end of the field.

A tall, lanky pilot from Seattle, Lana Kurtzer, operator of a flying school, skimmed his plane around the field, stunted and dropped to a "spot landing" to win the challenge trophy as the best flyer of the day.

Feminine Honors

Gladys Vickers, pretty Seattle aviatrix, took honors for the women, placing first in the women's bombing contest.

Other winners were:

Puddle jumpers' sweepstakes for planes of forty-five horsepower and under: Elliott Merrill, first; Lana Kurtzer, second. Stunting: Leonard R. Peterson, first; Lieut. Cleo Messer, second; Dr. Frank Parsley, third. Free-for-all handicap race: Al Berthal, first; Les Bowman, second; Ed Rasmussen, third; Cora Sterling, fourth.

Women's bombing contest: Gladys Vickers, first; Mary Riddell, second; Cora Sterling, third. Puff race: Lana Kurtzer, first; Ray Webb, second; Leonard Peterson, third. Spot landing: John Amunsen, first; Kurtzer, second; Ed Crooks, third; John Ringer, fourth.

The air show was the climax of the three-day South District Exposition and aerial pageant sponsored by the Duwamish Industrial Club. Doors closed last night on exhibits of more than 200 concerns, the Northwest Dahlia Show and other features of the exposition. H. Van Wyk, general chairman, announced the success of the enterprise assured its repetition next year.

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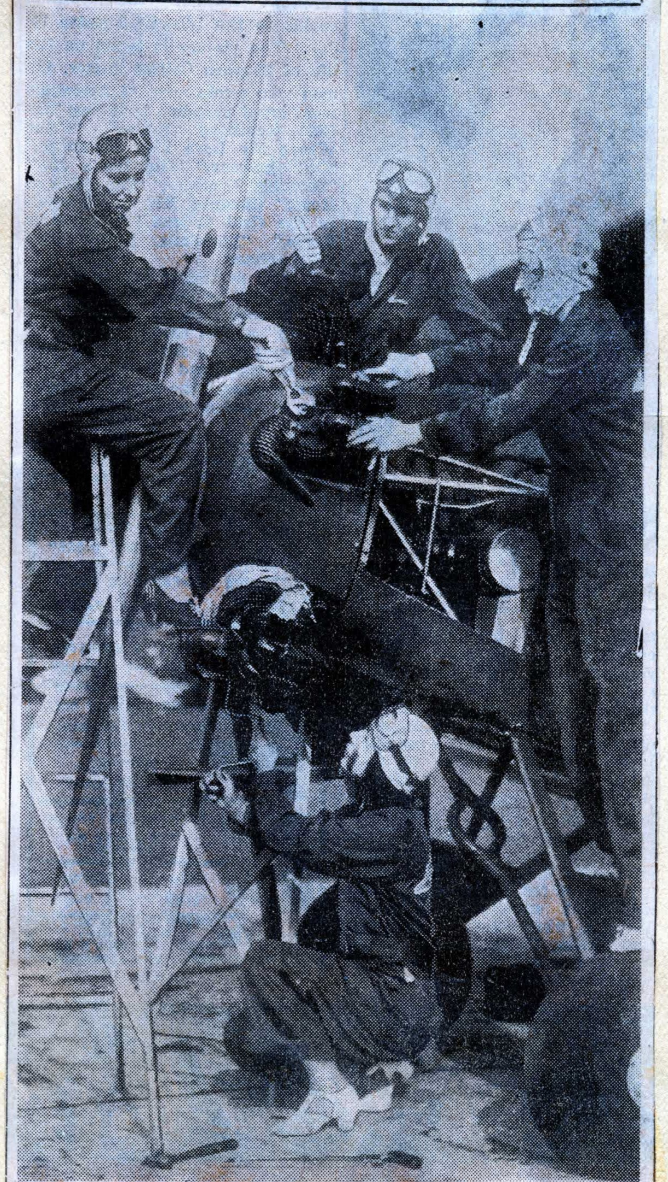
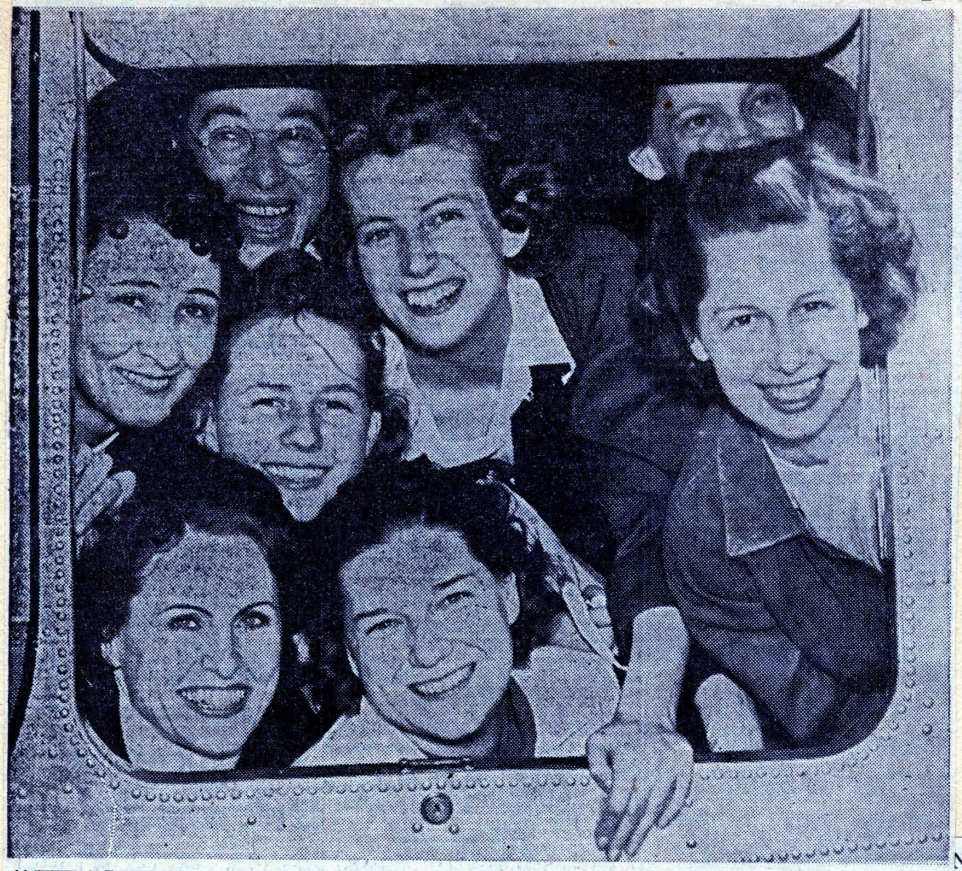
WOMEN INVADE AIR
They'll Stunt in Circus



TUNING UP!—Four Seattle women pilots getting their plane ready for the air circus to open today at the South District Exposition at Boeing Field. Stunts are listed.
—(Picture from International News Photograph Service.)

'Sky Women' Take Busmen's Holiday



ATTRACTIVE AIR CARGO—Just before going aloft on a courtesy flight over Seattle aboard a United Air Lines Mainliner, these members of the Associated Women Pilots of the Northwest peeked out of the Mainliner's cargo compartment for a picture. From front to rear: Violet Knudsen, Seattle; Elaine Hunt, Boise; Dorothy Carothers, Seattle; Margaret Loy, Boise; Gladys Crooks, newly elected president of the organization, Kennewick; Edith Bogert, Boise; Mary Ilene Kreuger, Boise, and Muriel Hurtubise, Boise.

NE 30, 1940

we Adjourn

Mere males still have a place in the air, in spite of the steady infiltration of the upper atmosphere by flying women.

Proof of that statement was furnished yesterday when twenty members of the Associated Women Pilots of the Northwest went aloft of a United Air Lines Mainliner—and let a couple of men do the flying.

Ordinarily the "sky women," whose annual convention was held here yesterday, do their own piloting. Hence it was somewhat unusual for the lot of them to relax as passengers in the Mainliner's cabin as Capt. Lee Brusse and First Lieut. Homer Cain handled the controls. And when it all was over, the women conceded that they did a pretty good job.

United's flight was arranged as a feature of the women pilots' annual meeting.

Gladys Crooks of Kennewick w[as] elected president of the organi[za]tion Saturday night. Others elec[ted] were Margaret Loy, Boise, v[ice] president; Lucille Johnson, Bo[ise] secretary, and Mildred Merrill, [Se]attle, treasurer.

Spokane was named conve[ntion] city for 1941.

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MRS. GLADYS CROOKS
New President
—(A. N. Nichols Photo.)

of Boise, Idaho, and Miss Margaret Wendelin and Miss Cecil Goodwin of this city.

At the recent convention, held here at the Roosevelt Hotel, Miss Lindy Jasper was chosen chairman of the chartering committee, while the following were elected members-at-large of the executive board: Miss Betty Shaefer of Spokane, Miss Elaine Hunt of Boise, and Mrs. Frances Sherley of Tacoma.

The other members of the executive committee include the new officers, who are Mrs. Gladys Crooks of Kennewick, president; Miss Margaret Loy of Boise, vice president; Miss Lucille Johnson of Boise, secretary, and Mrs. Mildred Filz Merrill of Seattle, treasurer.

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This Certifies, That GLADYS VICKERS is licensed to pilot registered aircraft of the United States as a PRIVATE pilot.

The privileges and restrictions for this class of license are set forth on the reverse side hereof.

This license is not valid unless accompanied by pilot's identification card.

Unless sooner suspended or revoked, this license expires AUGUST 31, 1936

Gladys Vickers
(Pilot's signature)

J. Carroll Cone
Assistant Director of Aeronautics.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
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BUREAU OF AIR COMMERCE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

CIVIL AERONAUTICS AUTHORITY

TEMPORARY
IDENTIFICATION CARD NO. 30702

This identification card issued on DECEMBER 8 1938
to GLADYS VICKERS CROOKS
accompanies and is a part of Certificate of Competency bearing the same number.

The terms of this certificate include each and every provision of the currently effective Civil Air Regulations issued by the Secretary of Commerce pursuant to law.

Unless sooner suspended or revoked, this certificate shall be kept until taken up by a Bureau of Air Commerce Inspector.

By direction of the Secretary of Commerce

Gladys Vickers Crooks
SIGNATURE OF HOLDER

Robert K Reining
CHIEF, REGISTRATION SECTION

Any alteration of this identification card is punishable by fine or imprisonment.

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SEATTLE, SEPTEMBER 7, 1934.

Famous Aviators to Compete in Air Show Next Sunday

Varied Program Arranged for Annual Exhibition at Boeing Field

Men and women pilots from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Alaska are coming to Seattle to compete in the second annual Seattle air show to be staged at Boeing Field Sunday afternoon under auspices of the Seattle Junior Chamber of Commerce.

GLADYS VICKERS

The show will be preceded by an aviation ball at the airport tomorrow night.

The air show, free to the public, will include stunting and races by some of the West's most noted pilots, according to A. L. Blum, director in charge.

The opening number at 1 o'clock will be a parade of aircraft, taxiing by the reviewing stand.

SURPRISE EVENT

There will be "puff" races for men and women, puddle-jumper handicaps, dead stick landings, a parachute jump and a surprise event.

Miss Gladys Vickers, young Seattle aviatrix, will be one of the Seattle entries in the women's events. She is also scheduled to give an exhibition of stunt flying.

A feature will be war-time flying acrobatics by Harold Wilson of Vancouver, B. C., Canadian World War ace.

Gladys Vickers — Allen Blum
Seattle Annual
Air Show
September 9th, 1934

Second Acrobatic Exhibition
At Seattle
Sept. 9th 1934

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At Boeing Field

FAIR PILOTS RECEIVE INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE TAKEOFF

Left to Right: Mildred Trick, Mildred Merrill, Mary Riddle, Lucille Stone, Gladys Crooks, Kathleen Green, Kay Buchan, Rita Sutherland, Gerry Fletcher, Hildegard Schmit, and Louise Patterson.

BANQUET GIVEN TO AVIATRICES

Several Women at Pasco-Kennewick Convention Over Week-End

KENNEWICK, June 20—Visiting members of the Northwest association of Women Pilots were entertained Saturday night at a banquet at Arrow Grill. Other guests were Mrs. Harry Linn, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Reed and Dr. P. O. Stone, who gave the welcome address. After the banquet the association held a short business meeting and elected the following officers for the coming year: Jessie Dunn, Boise, president; Henrietta Palmer, Tacoma, vice president; Lorraine Smedley, Boise, secretary, and Cora Sterling, Seattle, treasurer.

Mrs. Ed Crooks, outgoing vice president, was in charge of arrangements for entertainment of the women flyers during their stay.

Sunday morning a group of flyers from Walla Walla paid a short visit to the convention group at the Pasco airport. Later Mrs. Crooks arranged a picnic lunch at the hangar, after which most of guests left for their homes. There were six visiting planes, and guests included nine from Seattle, three from Tacoma and two from Boise.

NORTHWEST AVIATRICES AT KENNEWICK SESSION

KENNEWICK, June 18 (AP)—The Northwest Association of Women Pilots opened its two-day convention here Saturday. Gladys Vickers Crooks, vice-president, welcomed the delegates.

Mrs. Henrietta Palmer, Tacoma, is president of the group. Women pilots from Boise, Portland, Seattle, Tacoma and Olympia attended.

Women Pilots To Get Tests At Kennewick

A spot landing contest and a bombing contest, with trophies to be awarded for each, will be a feature of the second annual convention of the Associated Women Pilots of the Northwest, scheduled for tomorrow and Sunday at Kennewick. These events will take place Sunday morning, while in the afternoon the girl flyers will hold a picnic. A business session, banquet and dancing have been planned for tomorrow evening.

Seattle women, who will pilot planes to the conclave, include Miss Lucille Stone, president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field; Mrs. Mildred Filz Merrill, Miss Cora Sterling and Miss Emma Leavenworth. Their passengers will be Miss Reta Sutherland and Miss Grace Shanahan. Miss Ruth Anderson and her instructor, Capt A. Elliott Merrill, will fly to Kennewick together, Miss Anderson being at the controls one way.

Mrs. Henrietta S. Palmer of Tacoma is president of the Associated Women Pilots of the Northwest, while Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks of Kennewick, a former Seattle resident, is vice president. Miss Jessie Dunn of Boise, Idaho, is secretary and Miss Stone is the treasurer.

Among the Tacomans attending the convention will be Miss Mildred Beattie. There will be at least five delegates from Boise, Idaho; three from Olympia and one from Yakima.

Feminine Pilots of N. W. to Hold Convention Here

Associated Women Pilots of the Northwest will hold their annual convention in Kennewick, June 18 and 19, and preparations for their entertainment are already being undertaken by the local aviatrix, Mrs. Ed Crooks.

Between 25 and 30 women pilots will attend the sessions, Mrs. Crooks states, and there will be eight or ten planes making the trip. The visitors will come from all parts of the Northwest, from as far east as Boise and from the western airports, Seattle, Portland, Tacoma and Olympia.

Election of officers will be one of the features of the convention. Mrs. Cooks is vice president of the organization. The business session will be followed by a banquet, to which several local citizens are to be invited.

BOISE WOMAN TO HEAD NORTHWEST AVIATRICES

KENNEWICK, June 19 (AP)—Miss Jessie Dunn, Boise, was elected president of the Northwest Association of Women Pilots Sunday as their two-day convention ended.

Other officers named: Mrs. Henrietta Palmer, Tacoma, vice president; Miss Lorraine Smedley, Boise, secretary; Miss Cora Sterling, Seattle, treasurer.

FLYING WOMEN DISLIKE RULES

KENNEWICK, Wash., June 19.—Disapproval of some new regulations of the department of commerce was voiced by the Northwest Association of Women Pilots, here for their two-day annual convention. A letter will be written protesting these regulations.

Miss Jessie Dunn, Boise, was elected president; Mrs. Henrietta Palmer, vice president; Miss Lorraine Smedley, Boise, secretary, and Miss Cora Sterling, Seattle, treasurer.

Flyers from Boise, Tacoma, Seattle and Yakima were welcomed here by Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, Kennewick aviatrix, retiring vice president of the organization. Portland members were prevented by rain from attending.

Present from Yakima was Mrs. Dora Skinner, middle-aged flyer, wife of a Yakima physician who is also a pilot. Their combined ages make them the oldest flying couple in the United States. The largest delegation came from Seattle, among them Emma Edwards, Leavenworth, who learned to fly at 56.

At the banquet last night visitors were welcomed by Dr. Paul Stone, president of the chamber of commerce. Cherries grown on the ranch of Mrs. Crooks were featured. Invitations were extended from Boise for the convention in 1939, and for dedication of a new airport there. Another invitation was extended for the Tacoma air

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THE WEATHER

Forecast for tonight and Tuesday: Partly cloudy with some fog in the mornings. Nearly normal temperature and gentle southerly winds.

Temperature at noon today, 49.

Temperature during past 24 hours: Maximum, 48; minimum, 43.

Sunrise, 7:54 a. m.; sunset, 4:17 p. m.

Today's Tides		Tomorrow's Tides	
1st high.	3:32 am, 10.5 ft.	1st high.	4:24 am, 11.3 ft.
1st low.	8:04 am, 7.6 ft.	1st low..	9:11 am, 7.9 ft.
2d high.	1:12 pm, 11.1 ft.	2d high.	1:51 pm, 10.8 ft.
2nd low.	8:44 pm, -1.2 ft.	2nd low.	9:24 pm, -1.6 ft.

IN AERIAL CELEBRATION

These five women pilots flew their planes over Seattle today in the aviation anniversary celebration. The women, members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, are (left to right) Gladys Vickers, Edna Barrie, Mildred Filz, Jerry Fletcher and Jane Field. **(For details see First Page, Second Section.)**

PROGRAM

Parade: Rodeo participants, decorated bicycles and cars, headed by White Bluffs Band.

Flag Raising at park

Judging Decorated Bicycles $3.00; $2.00; $1.00

Address of Welcome ..... Mayor A. C. Amon

Patriotic Address ..... Hon. E. A. Davis

10:00 a.m. Water Sports:

Potato Race, boys and girls under 10	50c	25c
Potato Race, girls under 16	50c	25c
Potato Race, boys under 16	50c	25c
Candle Race, boys and girls under 16	50c	25c
Speed Race, boys and girls under 10	50c	25c
Speed Race, boys under 16	50c	25c
Speed Race, girls under 16	50c	25c
Speed Race, free-for-all, 75 yards	$1.50	1.00	50c
Under Water Race, boys and girls under 10	50c	25c
Under Water Race, boys under 16	50c	25c
Under Water Race, girls under 16	50c	25c

Bicycle Race, free for all, two mile cross country $2, $1, 50c

Picnic Lunch:

Concert (White Bluffs Band) 12:30 to 1:30.

Races: 1:30 p.m.

35-Yard Dash, boys and girls, 6 or under	50c	25c
50-Yard Dash, boys 10 or under	50c	25c
50-Yard Dash, girls 10 or under	50c	25c
50-Yard Dash, boys 16 or under	50c	25c
50-Yard Dash, girls 16 or under	50c	25c
100-Yard Dash, free for all	$1.00	50c
Wheelbarrow Race (passenger and pusher)	$1.00	50c
Bicycle Shoe Race	50c	25c
"Hittin' Hubby" free for all, married women	50c	25c

Rodeo: 2:00 p.m., Inland Empire Championship Finals for $50 Belt.

Kitty Ball Contest, 4:30 p.m.—Grange Championship.

Aerial Acrobatics by Miss Gladys Vickers

Band Concert in Park (White Bluffs Band) 6:30 p.m.

Dancing and Games, 9 p.m., City Center

C. L. Powell, Master of Ceremonies

BIGGEST CROWD YET ATTENDS CELEBRATION

Rodeo Big Success. Plan for Annual Two - Day Event; White Bluffs Band Entertains; Prizes Awarded

The largest crowd to ever attend a celebration in this area flocked to Kennewick on July 3 and 4 to witness the two day rodeo and join in the festivities of the two days of celebration.

Cars bearing practically every county license identification in the state were here and many from Oregon and Idaho were found parked along the streets.

It is estimated that a crowd of easily 7500 persons were here the Fourth. The city park was overflowing with people all through the day, while the rodeo had more than a sell-out and had to turn some people away.

During the morning and afternoon hours there was a continuous array of entertainment features to attract young and old and over 100 prizes representing cash and other awards were given away.

The White Bluffs band gave a number of concerts through the day while the address of welcome during the morning was made by Mayor A. C. Amon and E. A. Davis of Pasco delivered a stirring patriotic address.

Thousands of pairs of eyes were turned skyward during the late afternoon hours as Gladys Vickers, a former Kennewick resident, gave a series of thrilling air acrobatic stunts.

Both evenings Happy Canyon was in full swing on the main street of Kennewick, where many sorts of games of fun and skill were in full play.

PARADE, RACES CONCERTS FOR CELEBRATION

Celebrated Riders Coming to Compete for Championship at Rodeo; Dancing and Games Both Nights

They are coming from far and wide, North, South, East and West, both rodeo champions and thousands of people to participate in the that will celebration to be staged two days. Richmond, July 3 and 4. a special prize of ten dollars ing one who can bring in the hardest bucking horse.

Air Thrillers

Miss Gladys Vickers, renown aviatrix of the Northwest, will be at the celebration both the 3rd and 4th to thrill the throngs with many air acrobatics on both afternoons.

Each evening Happy Canyon will

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THEY HAVE WON THEIR WINGS

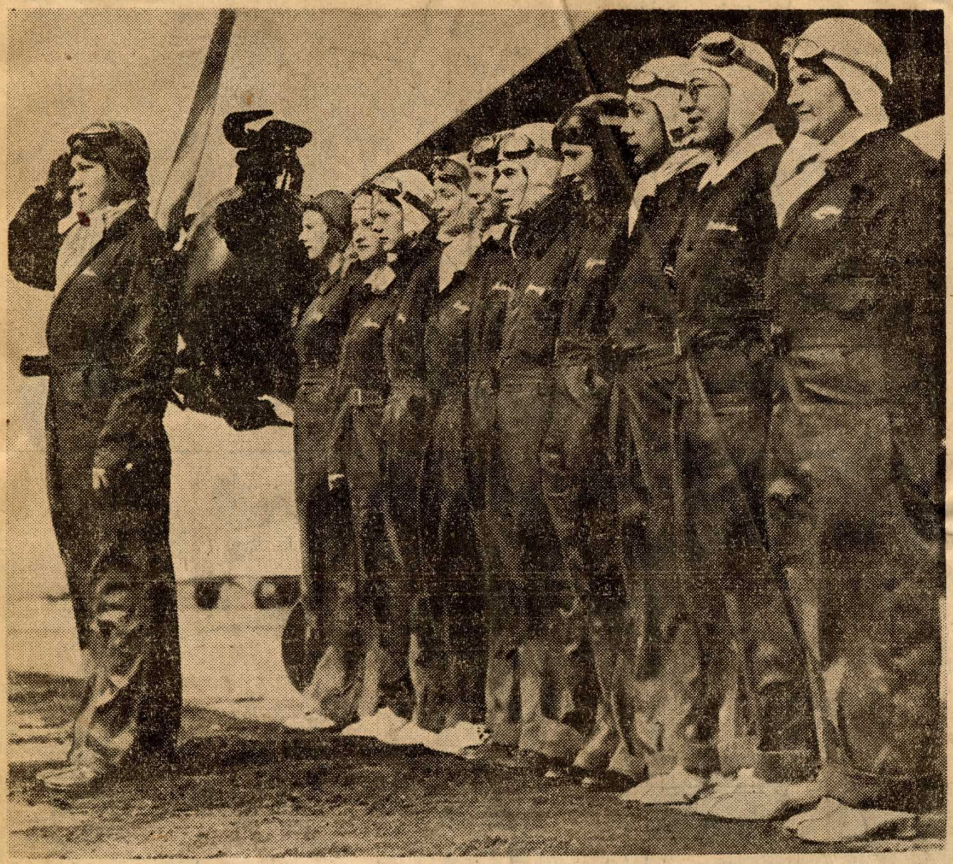
MILDRED FITZ VIRGINIA OGDEN GLADYS VICKERS

MRS. DORA D. SKINNER WILLIAM S. MOORE CORA STIRLING MARY RIDDLE

GETTING THEIR WINGS — William S. Moore, department of commerce inspector, awarding chevrons to members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field. The chevrons denote the kind of license the wearer holds—one stripe for the amateur up to four for transport.

—(Post-Intelligencer Photo.)

WOMEN PILOTS TO APPEAR IN COEUR D'ALENE AIR CIRCUS SUNDAY



Attention! Pictured here are some of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing field, who will take part in the air circus to be staged Sunday at Coeur d'Alene by the Lake City Chamber of Commerce. The flying contingent will arrive here tomorrow afternoon, and at 10 o'clock Sunday morning will join a sky caravan to Coeur d'Alene. Between 40 and 50 pilots from all over the northwest will take part in the program, which will include races, acrobatics, bomb-dropping, balloon-busting, parachute jumps and other aerial novelties. Miss Grace Vickers, president of the Associated Women Flyers, will represent her club in the stunting contest.

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Planes from all parts of the Pacific coast are heading for Coeur d'Alene to participate in the Lake City's big air circus Sunday.

Pilots will stop at Felts field here late this afternoon and will take off at 10 o'clock Sunday morning to travel en caravan to Weeks' field at Coeur d'Alene.

PROGRAM

The air circus program follows:

10:30 a. m.—Sky parade, following arrival of western contingent from Seattle.

1 p. m.—Race, 125 horsepower limit, 18-mile closed course.

1:15—Dead-stick landing contest.

1:35—Acrobatics, open field.

2:05—125 to 220 horsepower race.

2:15—Acrobatic exhibition, open field.

2:45—Bomb dropping.

3:15—Acrobatic exhibition.

3:45—Free-for-all, Inland Empire championship race, 30 miles.

4:00—Acrobatic exhibition.

4:30—Balloon busting contest.

5:00—Acrobatics, Tex Rankin, holder of the world's record for 131 outside loops.

5:30 Parachute drops.

PLANES THRILL SPOKANE TODAY

Aircraft Will Circle City at 10 A. M. on Way to Coeur d'Alene Show.

Spokane will enjoy a pre-view at 10 this morning of the air circus the Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce is staging at Coeur d'Alene this afternoon when the many planes to take part in the circuit will leave Felts field and circle over the city before departing for the Idaho field.

Frank Kammer, Wenatchee flyer, manager of the show, anticipated a record crowd at Coeur d'Alene today. The field has been leveled for the benefit of visiting motorists and 50 Idaho guardsmen will patrol it.

Coast flyers and airmen from many interior towns will be present. Aviators began arriving in Spokane Friday night and others came yesterday, although most of the visitors will not arrive until this morning.

Coast Sends 16 Women Flyers.

Associated Women Pilots of Boeing field, Seattle, will be represented by 16 members and they will have a number of entries.

While the planes are expected to reach Coeur d'Alene at 10:30 this morning and the program of racing starts at 1 o'clock, Tex Rankin of Portland, formerly of Spokane, is expected to furnish the chief thrills of the meet at 5 o'clock. Rankin holds the world record for outside loops.

COMMITTEE

AIRMEN THRILL LAKE CITY CROWD

Tex Rankin, Aided by Nick Mamer, Big Show.

ANN HEFLIN HURT

Spokane Girl Breaks Leg on Completion of Her First 'Chute Jump.

The air circus held yesterday afternoon at Weeks field, Coeur d'Alene, was a huge success as far as flyers, planes and crowds were concerned, with only one minor mishap to mar the day's events.

Miss Ann Heflin, Spokane, making her first parachute jump, fractured her left leg when she landed after making a successful jump from a plane piloted by Roy Schreck of the Mamer-Schreck company, Spokane. Miss Heflin was taken to the hospital in Coeur d'Alene, and was reported resting comfortably last night.

Weeks field, said to be the oldest commercial airport in the United States, was completely circled by spectators and automobiles. Fifteen ships varying in size from a tri-motor Ford to a single passenger ship kept the crowd of 10,000 interested from the time things got under way shortly after 1 o'clock until the exodus began about six in the evening.

Tex Rankin in Spotlight.

Two great flyers drew the majority of attention. One did his stuff in the air while the other extolled him through the public address system Tex Rankin, Portland, flying a Great Lakes training plane, went through his complicated evolutions and the pilots themselves, who should know, claim that Rankin takes a back seat to none when it comes to stunting. At the public address system describing his moves so that all could understand and follow him was Nick Mamer, Spokane. Mamer, who did a lot of his early flying at Coeur d'Alene, attracted almost as much attention as did Rankin.

Rankin did the famous outside loop at 2500 feet, an upside down spin of eight turns, an upside down figure eight at 2000 feet, the vertical figure eight (inside and outside loop), slow rolls, falling leaf, roll and a half stopping inverted, Immelman turn, reversement, slow rolls in a 360-degree circle, tail spin of five turns, vertical roll, double roll, flying on side, upside down dive and speed dash and the side-slip landing.

The Officials Had Busy Day at Coeur d'Alene Air Circus

What with keeping interested spectators out of the way of whirling propellers, and officiating in the events themselves this group of men spent a busy afternoon yesterday at Weeks field, Coeur d'Alene. Left to right, they are: H. R. Elliott, Coeur d'Alene; H. F. Kritchman, president of the Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of the circus; E. T. Miller; Don Reath, an official of the National Pilots' association; Bruce McDonald, Coeur d'Alene; Oscar Nelson, Coeur d'Alene, and J. K. Coe, mayor of Coeur d'Alene.

The top picture is the group of women pilots at the circus. Left to right they are Gladys Vickers, president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing field, Seattle; Edna B. Anderson, Mrs. Dora Skinner, Mary A. Riddle and Mildred A. Filz. All except Mrs. Skinner are from Seattle, and she is from Yakima.

In the women's bombing event Mrs. Edna Anderson, Seattle, was winner, her bomb landing within 30 paces of the target. This was the only event of the day for the women.

Women's Events Off.

Other planned events did not materialize although the following women members of a flying organization in Seattle went to great expense to make the trip to Coeur d'Alene. Besides Mrs. Anderson they were Gladys Vickert, Mildred Filz, Cora Sterling, Mrs. Dora Skinner, Yakima, and Mary Riddle, Seattle, one of the few Indian girl pilots in the United States.

The final event of the afternoon was the dead-stick landing, the pilots trying to see who could come the closest to the 40-foot circle in the center of the field. Rankin was the only pilot on the field who went to 1000 feet, shut his motor off, made a complete circle and landed. He stopped within 40 feet of the circle. E. H. Anderson, Coeur d'Alene, flying in a two-cylinder, low-powered plane, coasted into the circle to stop, but because his propeller was turning when the plane stopped he was given second place.

Leonard R. Peterson INC.

GIRL PILOTS ENTERTAIN

They Can Fly and They Can Cook

AND HERE'S HOW THEY PROVED IT

WITH APPETITES WHETTED BY AERIAL JAUNT, THEY COME TO EARTH FOR . . WAFFLES!
Elliott Merrill, Bill Brandt and A. D. Smith Sample the Wares of Mildred Ajax and Gladys Crooks, Members of Boeing Field Women Pilots' Group
—(International News Photo by Post-Intelligencer Staff Photographer.)

'FLYING BREAKFAST' SERVED

They can fly! They can cook! They can entertain as well as pilot a plane, these versatile, young and attractive Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field.

They did both with equal facility when they flew their planes on long and short sorties in the skies above Boeing Field, then left their cockpits, still in flying togs to turn out as delicious waffles as ever tickled a palate.

And they served their waffles with all the graces of hospitality to their invited boy friends and husbands at a flying-breakfast in their new clubrooms in the Administration Building.

They even took the men flying to give them an appetite!

Among the men who braved both clouds and cooking with the girl pilots were Ed Crooks and Bill Brandt, Adney Smith, Forrest Johnson and Lieut. A. Elliott Merrill.

THEIR 'AIR' HERO

LOUISE PATTERSON GLADYS CROOKS JIMMY ALLEN

MARY RIDDLE

WOMEN PILOTS GREET JIMMY ALLEN

"My Adventures? I Feel Like I'm Living Them in the Air While I'm Acting Them on the Air"

—(International News Photo by Post-Intelligencer Staff Photographer.)

Jimmy Allen Will Arrive by Plane

Jimmy Allen, aviator and movie and radio star, will arrive this morning at 8:25 at Boeing Field aboard a United Air Lines plane for his personal appearance of one week on the Paramount Theater stage.

Allen is to be met at the airport by a delegation of local aviation enthusiasts, including Mayor Charles L. Smith; W. W. Connor, governor of national aeronautics for Washington; Alan Blum, president of the Seattle Chapter; Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, and her entire group of girls in their new flying uniforms, including Mary Riddle, the only Indian aviatrix in the world.

Jimmy Allen, Air Hero, Arrives

Jimmy Allen, young ace hero of countless hair-raising radio air thrills, got a new thrill himself yesterday when he landed at Boeing Field.

He stepped from the big United Air Lines plane almost into the arms of the only Indian girl in this country who flies and stunts and is a licensed pilot—Mary Riddle, the blood of Quinault chieftains in her veins, waiting there in beads and buckskins and headdress to welcome this lad who is making thousands of boys and girls the world over, air-minded.

There was a quick exchange of flying parlance while Jimmy Allen greeted Miss Riddle and the committee of girl flyers with her, in flying togs, all members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field. Mayor Charles Smith, himself a flyer, and motion picture and Richfield oil officials were on hand, too.

HIS REAL NAME

"My adventures? I feel like I'm living them in the air all the while I'm acting them on the air," Jimmy Allen said. "Yeh, Jimmy Allen's my real name as well as my radio name. Sure, I can fly. I've got a license. I'd like to see every boy and girl learn to fly. Maybe they won't have all the thrills they listen to in 'The Air Adventures of Jimmy Allen,' but I honestly believe they will get a lot of fun and learn self-control and efficiency and quick-thinking. And that's a long speech!"

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Jimmy Allen will be a junior at Northwestern College, Chicago, his home town, next fall. He flew by United Air Lines to Seattle from Los Angeles, where he has been in motion pictures.

He will make a personal appearance at the Paramount Theater this week in connection with his own first picture, "Sky Parade."

Quartet of Seattle Women Pilots Will Appear at Air Show Here

Here are four of the Seattle women pilots who will strive to make the first Northwest Women Pilots' Air frolic a success at Felts field next week-end. They are, left to right, Mildred Filz, Opal Hiser, Mary Riddle and Gladys Crooks. All are accomplished flyers, members of the Seattle A. W. P. and holders of Red Cross first aid certificates. Miss Filz and Mrs. Crooks, rated among the best of the northwest women pilots, will take part in all competitive events. Miss Riddle, who is the only full-blooded Indian pilot in the world, will give a parachute jumping exhibition as well as entering in the events. The girls are wearing the official blue flying suits and white helmets which are the uniforms of the Seattle association of women pilots.

Society

Call Main 3311 for Society and Club Notices

Women Pilots Slate Convention Socials

The women pilots of the Pacific northwest will mix social with aerial activities when they meet in Spokane Saturday and Sunday for the first aviatresses' convention and air frolic to be held in the western states.

Approximately 50 out-of-town women, who will fly to the city Saturday, will spend the day at Ruth Wallace's cottage on Spirit lake, Idaho. A dinner at the cottage will precede the evening's meeting.

Sunday, the girls will meet for an 11:30 luncheon at the Roundup room of the Dessert. Mrs. Rose Pearson of Millwood, the first woman to be recognized as a pilot, will be a guest at the luncheon. Miss Dorothy Sartori, acting president of the Associated Women Pilots, Spokane hangar, will be toastmistress.

Members of the local group are: Alma Heflin, secretary; Mrs. Charlotte Smith Partridge, treasurer; Bernice Harvey, Jean Whitman, Reta Ann Johnson, Connie Read, Lila Peterson, Mary Towne Opal Sims, Shirley Fish and Dorothy Sartori, president.

Trophies will be presented to the winners at the airport Sunday.

Among the out-of-town visitors will be the four Seattle women members of the only Red Cross unit: Mildred Filz, Opal Hiser, Mary Riddle and Gladys Crooks. Other interesting personages to attend include Doris Skinner of Yakima, who with her husband, Dr. H. H. Skinner, form the only married couple over 50 years of age flying in the United States.

Other out-of-town visitors are expected from Yakima, Walla Walla, Boise, Idaho; Portland, Ore., and Missoula and Wheeler, Mont.

Sunday's air frolic is being opened to the public free, except for a car-parking charge.

2 Seattle Women Win Race Honors

Several Seattle women pilots took part in the cross-country air race to Spokane in which two Portland women disappeared yesterday.

The Seattle group took off from Boeing Field yesterday morning, and two of them succeeded in winning honors in the race. They were Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, who placed second, and Gladys Smith, who was third.

Mrs. Ed Crooks Heads Air Derby Entrants

SEATTLE, June 25.-(AP)-Eight fliers from Seattle will participate in the all-women's air derby at Spokane Sunday, Mrs. Gladys Crooks, wife of Ed Crooks, former Longview resident, president of the Associated Women's Pilots at Boeing Field, said today.

Others to take part include Mercedes Sprague, Centralia, Mrs. Doris Skinner, Yakima, and Edith Barrie, Port Townsend .

FLIER LANDS AT KELSO AIRPORT IN NEW PLANE; TO SPEND EASTER HERE

Ed Crooks, former Longview resident and now a Seattle commercial aviator, flew in from upstate today to spend the Easter week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crooks of Columbia Valley Gardens.

Crooks piloted a Rearwin Junior two-place cabin plane here and announced that he plans to give instructions in flying to several local students and take passengers on scenic flights during the next few days.

Seeking to create new interest in aviation, the young pilot, formerly with the Leonard R. Peterson, Inc., commercial flying concern but now piloting independently, is making arrangements to enlarge his student class to permit his flying here twice a month to give personal instruction. Crooks also is desirous of organizing a flying club and persons interested in aviation are requested to communicate with him here.

Crooks said there appears a real need for an active interest in aviation locally and pointed out that eight commercial pilots have established headquarters in Olympia.

The young aviator will be joined here by his wife, the former Gladys Vickers, well known stunt pilot. She left Seattle today by automobile.

SEATTLE AVIATORS HERE FOR TWO DAYS

The flying Crooks — Ed and Gladys—arrived in Longview yesterday to conduct their semi-monthly class in aviation and take flying enthusiasts on flights above the two cities. Mrs. Crooks, the former Gladys Vickers, and one of the best women fliers in the northwest, flew down from Seattle in the couple's Rearwin Junior plane, while Ed, a former Longview resident, motored here.

They were joined today at the Kelso airport by Miss Mildred Ajax, who flew a three-place Curtis Challenger Robin ship from Seattle. The three will be at the airport all day today and Sunday to take passengers on short flights.

Aviator Here to Instruct Students

Ed Crooks, former Longview resident and now an independent commercial aviator in Seattle, was at the Kelso airport today to give the second of a series of flying instructions to a group of local flight enthusiasts enrolled during his last visit here April 9.

Piloting a Great Lakes training ship, Crooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Crooks of Columbia Valley Gardens, arrived from Seattle Friday afternoon. The plane is owned by Miss Grace Shanahan, also of Seattle. May 3-'36

FLYING ED CROOKS IS VISITING HERE

Ed Crooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Crooks of Columbia Valley Gardens and formerly a resident of Longview, is visiting here over the Thanksgiving holiday period with his parents. He arrived from Seattle yesterday morning. He is accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, woman flier, from Seattle in their plane.

Crooks, who is now an instructor for Leonard R. Peterson at Boeing field, Seattle, has his plane at the Kelso airport and is taking up passengers there during his visit here. He plans to return to Seattle Sunday afternoon.

He is flying a Great Lakes training ship formerly used by Tex Rankin. Rankin used the ship in setting a world record for outside loops.

Flying Couple Land at Kelso

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Crooks each flew a plane down from Seattle yesterday, landing at the Kelso airport for a weekend visit with his parents who live in Columbia Valley gardens, and for the training of the students whom Crooks is instructing. He now has 10 students locally and also devotes a good deal of time to carrying passengers. Mrs. Crooks is to be queen of the Seattle air show August 28 and 29.

THEY HELP MAKE AIR SHOW SUCCESS

The official opening yesterday afternoon of the three-day King County Industrial and Air Exposition at Boeing Field was quite an event, due considerably to the presence of these four young women. They are (left to right): Miss Vera Hylton (Miss Duwamish), Miss Shirley Ellis (Miss Central Seattle), Miss Beverly Rolin (Miss South District) and Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, queen of the air show. The exposition is open from 2 to 10 o'clock daily, with more than three hundred industrial and community exhibits.

E ELUM, WASHINGTON

Seattle Aviatrix Flies Gillett's Airplane In Derby

Flying the Porterfield cabin airplane owned by E. H. Gillett, Cle Elum train agent, Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks of Seattle captured second place in the Northwest Women's derby race from Seattle to Spokane Saturday morning.

Mrs. Crooks, leaving Seattle at 10:30 a. m., flew the distance of 235 miles over rugged mountain country in two hours and 20 minutes, in spite of a detour necessitated by a severe storm between Lake Sammamish and Snoqualmie pass.

Her plane had but 70 horsepower, compared to the 240 horsepower generated by the winning ship's motor. The race was run on the handicap basis.

"I really should write a testimonial for the Porterfield plane, as it performed in great shape," Mrs. Crooks, visiting here Monday, told a Miner-Echo reporter.

The pretty aviatrix has a special regard for the Cle Elum airport, since it was from here that she flew her first passenger when a private pilot. Mr. Gillett, Cle Elum's first pilot, was high in his praise of her flying ability.

'Women in Aviation' Topic Chosen for Talk at Club

Leonard R. Peterson will speak on "Women in Commercial Aviaen's City Club" at 12:15 p. m. tomorrow in the Chamber of Commerce Auditorium.

Mrs. W. D. McKay, program chairman, has invited special guests, including Mrs. Dorothy Hester Hoefer of Portland, and Mrs. Dora D. Skinner of Yakima, as well as Mrs. Charles L. Smith, wife of the mayor.

The following members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field will be introduced: Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crookes, president; Mildred E. Filz, Edna B. Olson, Virginia Ogden, Mary Riddle and Grace Shanahan. Lucile Stone will also be introduced.

The education in citizenship class, of which Mrs. Anna Green Grant is chairman, will hear a talk by J. C. Herbsman on "Customs" at 10:30 a. m. The parliamentary law class, with Mrs. W. H. Utter as instructor, will meet at 9:30 a. m. Mrs. E. G. Waldron will drill the Club Chorus at 1:45 p. m.

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New Washington Hotel - Seattle

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Miss Alice Murray
820 Allison Street

Formal
7 p.m.
Two Dollars

Please Present Invitation

Women Executives Dine at Washington

Campus leaders, hoping to become business executives, and professional women with fond memories of their campus days, envied each other as they gathered at Theta Sigma Phi's fifth annual Matrix Table last night at the New Washington. Theta Sigma Phi is a national honorary journalism sorority.

Coming together were five women air pilots, their group including Miss Cora Sterling, first girl in the state to get a transport pilot's license, who was attractive in white lace with gold accessories; Miss Grace Shanahan, in a green dinner dress with gold trimmings; Miss Gladys Vickers, rose crepe with a jacket; Miss Mary Riddle, black crepe and gardenias, and Miss Mildred E. Filz, cotton printed chiffon trimmed with white pique.

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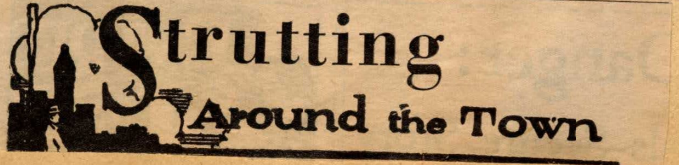

OWED TO THE PILOTS

The intrepid women flyers
Holding meetings in the skies
Command respect and envy
From the Theta Sigma Phis.

Women Pilots of Boeing Field to Be ertained at Naval Air Station

Girl Flyers Making Trip Next Sunday

Five airplanes, with members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field at the controls, will fly in mass formation next Sunday to the Sand Point Naval Air Station, where the United States Marine Corps and the U. S. Marine Corps Reserves will entertain them with air demonstrations. The flight, of course, is subject to weather conditions.

MISS GLADYS VICKERS
President

Piloting the planes will be Miss Cora Sterling, who has a limited commercial license; Miss Gladys Vickers, Miss Mary Riddle and Miss Mildred E. Filz, who have privates pilots' licenses, and Miss Grace Shanahan, who has an amateur pilot's license. The passengers will include "flying women" who are working toward their licenses.

The Sand Point trip will be the first occasion on which the members of the organization will wear their new uniforms, royal blue coveralls with white scarfs, white helmets and white shoes. The first names of the flyers are stitched in white on the breast pockets, while on the back of the uniform is the organization insignia, a high heeled winged slipper done in white.

The women flyers are asked to meet at 10 a. m. at Boeing Field, the take off being scheduled for 10:30 a. m. sharp. It is possible that the flyers will find it necessary to make more than one trip each to Sand Point so as to provide transportation for all of the passengers.

Miss Vickers is president of the Associated Women Pilots, while Miss Riddle is vice president, and Mrs. Edna Barrie Anderson, secretary-treasurer.

SECOND ANNUAL SEATTLE AIR SHOW

Boeing Field—Sunday, 1 P. M.
September 9, 1934

Sponsored by

Seattle Junior Chamber of Commerce

PROGRAM

1:00 P. M. Parade of Planes
1:15 P. M. Transport Plane Arrival
1:30 P. M. Transport Plane Departure
1:35 P. M. Small Plane Race (Limited to 125 H. P.)
1:50 P. M. Men's Puff Race
2:10 P. M. Puddle Jumper Handicap
2:30 P. M. Large Plane Race (Limited to 225 H. P.)
2:45 P. M. Special Event
3:00 P. M. Women's Puff Race
3:15 P. M. Men's Dead Stick Landing Contest
3:45 P. M. Hal Wilson (Stunt Flying)
4:00 P. M. Women's Dead Stick Landing Contest
4:30 P. M. Gladys Vickers (Special Acrobatics)

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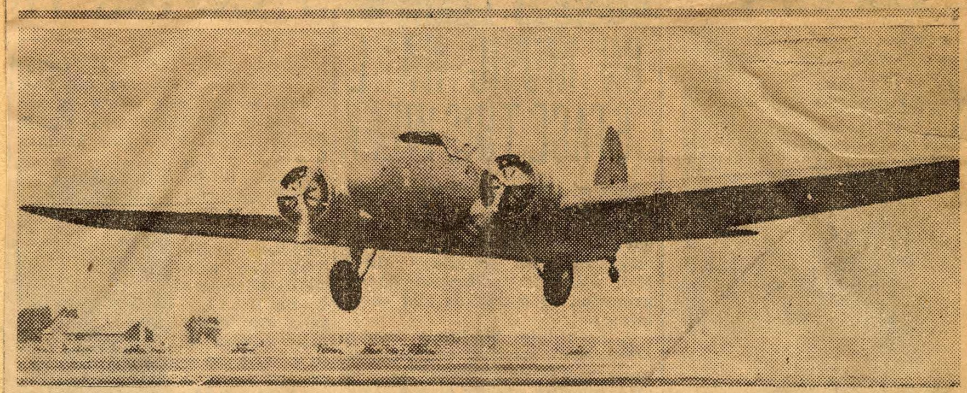
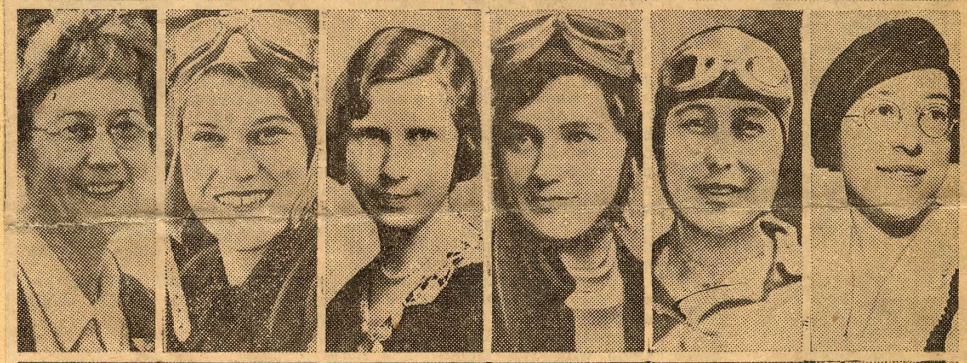




MRS. DORIS SKINNER | MISS CORA STERLING | MISS KATHLEEN GREEN | MISS EDNA BARRIE | MISS MARY RIDDLE | MISS MILDRED FITZ

AIR WOMEN—Here are six of the women pilots of Boeing Field, five of whom will pilot planes carrying seven others as passengers on a group flight to Portland Saturday. They refer to their organization which meets at the field as a "practical study club."

WOMEN PILOTS ARRIVE

FIVE FEMININE FLIERS MAKE TRIP FROM SEATTLE.

Low Ceiling and Fog Conditions Encountered on Portion of Air Jaunt.

In the largest mass flight of its kind in the Pacific northwest, five women fliers of Seattle and Yakima, with three women passengers, all members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, piloted five airplanes from Seattle to Portland yesterday, landing at Swan Island airport at 4:35 o'clock.

They had low ceiling and fog conditions from Seattle to Chehalis, but encountered better weather conditions near Portland to make the two-hour hop without mishap. They plan to leave Swan Island airport today at 11 o'clock for the return trip.

Leading the group was Miss Cora Sterling, president of the club, who is a limited commercial pilot, the only woman holding that grade of license in the Pacific northwest. Miss Mildred Filz and Mrs. Dora D. Skinner of Yakima have private licenses and the other five women are active fliers. All fly for sport.

"This is our first mass flight and the big event so far of our first year of organization," Miss Sterling said. "We plan other cross-country flights."

Despite the fact that two planes were turned back by low ceiling and fog over the Cascade range and Seattle, Mrs. Skinner, flying her own Cardinal monoplane with Dr. Ted Shott as passenger, flew from Yakima to Seattle in time to make the trip south with the Boeing field club. She flew over the fog until she found an opening to get under it to complete the trip to Boeing field.

The roster for the trip:

Miss Cora Sterling, flying a Waco Menasco biplane, owned by Dr. Frank E. Parsley, with Miss Jane Field as passenger.

Miss Mildred Filz, flying a Kinner Sportster monoplane of the Washington Aircraft & Transport company, with Miss Jaunite Mosey as navigator and co-pilot.

Mrs. Dora D. Skinner, Yakima, flying her own Cardinal monoplane, with Miss Kathleen Green as passenger.

Miss Edna Barrie, flying alone a Rearwin monoplane, owned by Leonard R. Peterson, Inc.

Miss Gladys Vicker, flying alone a Fairchild monoplane, owned by Leonard R. Peterson, Inc.

12 GIRL PILOTS TO FLY SOUTH

Twelve women flyers, five of them piloting planes carrying the others as passengers or co-pilots, will take off from Seattle Saturday in group formation for Portland.

They are members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, and they are going down to help the Portland girl flyers organize a similar chapter.

"Yes, I guess this is the first time such a number of women polits have flown in group formation," Miss Cora Sterling, president of the chapter, said casually. "Our organization is a sort of practical study club." (With planes as laboratories and the skies as black boards.)

Mary Riddle, Quinault Indian girl, the only Indian woman in the world to pilot a plane, will also fly.

Miss Mildred Filz, who also has a private license, will fly in the same plane with Miss Riddle.

Miss Floy Beagle, who has a private license, will take Juanita Mosey and Grace Listman.

Mrs. Doris Skinner of Yakima will have Miss Kathleen Green as passenger

Gladys Vickers will fly alone, and so will Edna Barrie, the "flying girl evangelist."

Miss Sterling will take Jane Field and Anne Shrauger in her plane.

PINE WORKERS DEBATE ISSUES

Wages and Vacations Share Interest With Union Label on Products.

A government survey of the pine area, one week's vacation with pay and a union label granted only when a fair minimum wage and differential were established were three of the first proposals handed up to the resolutions committee of the lumber and sawmill workers and affiliated unions, American Federation of Labor. The conference, continuing through today, was held at union headquarters, 305½ Riverside, with about 100 workers representing nearly 40 northwest locals in attendance.

The government survey recommended was qualified in that it should deal particularly with company profits and the labor costs in finished lumber products. There was dissension from a Baker, Ore., delegate that such a survey would be prolonged and accomplish nothing. The resolution was passed with the one dissenting vote.

Feeling Runs High.

Feeling ran high over the week's vacation proposal. Because of the seasonal nature of the industry different points of view were taken on those qualified for the paid holiday. In some districts, discussion revealed, men were getting one week a year, while in others a week was being granted with six or eight months' work.

Stepping down from the chair Chairman Brown, Oregon delegate, declared that the vacation should be earned by the worker in his laboring period, and that he stood wholeheartedly for it.

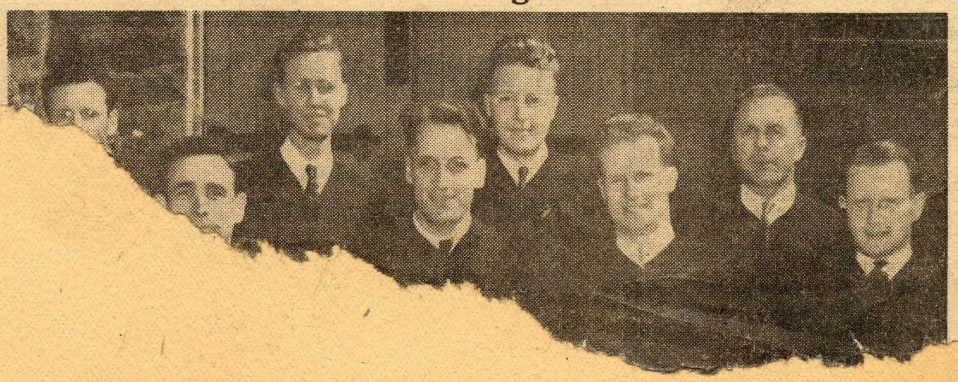
Discuss 75 Cents as Basic.

There was heavy discussion of the union label resolutions. Many delegates felt that a fair wage in the pine area could not be determined in the short conference and motion was made to appoint a committee to set wage and differential. One proposal was made that workers be united with those [illegible] some of whom already [illegible] products and [illegible] of

Northwest Women Pilots Gather Here for Meeting

The Northwest Women Pilots' association held its convention yesterday in Spokane, and, typically enough, transacted most of their business in the aeronautical atmosphere of Felts field. Shown are (1) Jean Cunningham, (2) Margaret Loy, (3) Sally Walker, (4) Marguerite Reinhart, (5) Elaine Hunt, all of Boise, Idaho; (6) Mrs. Gladys V. Crooks, NWPA president; (7) Marcella Fried, vice president, Spokane chapter; (8) Mary Ileen Krueger, Spokane chapter treasurer; (9) Muriel Hurtubise, (10) Edith Bogart, (11) Georgie Grove, (12) Rosalyn Stafford, Spokane secretary; (13) Ruth Justiss, (14) Ruth Anderson, president, Boeing field (Seattle) chapter; (15) Violet Knudsen, secretary, Boeing field chapter; (16) Dorothy Crothers, (17) Mildred Merrill, treasurer, Boeing field; (18) Celia Hunter, (19) Eunna E. Leavenworth, (20) Irene Hagerstrom, (21) Mildred Campbell, all of Seattle.

Methodist Church Adds Eight Ministers to Roster



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JOHNSONS DROP IN FROM AFRICA

MISS VICKERS MARTIN JOHNSON MRS. JOHNSON

FAMOUS EXPLORING PAIR ARRIVE!—While MARTIN JOHNSON looks on, MRS. JOHNSON autographs the log book of Miss Gladys Vickers, Seattle aviatrix, who met them at Boeing Field.

Flying Women Salute Dawn Of Army Day

Thirty Blocks of Marching Units on Streets Here This Afternoon

Seattle's business district streets, gayly decorated with flags, were filled with thousands of persons today as the city observed Army Day with a parade of the greatest peacetime assembly of military units and equipment in many years.

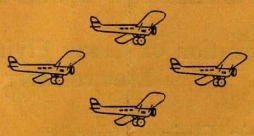
The Stars and Stripes flew proudly as the Army took over the city for the day.

Army Day was ushered in with the dawn as the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field flew a patriotic salute in the sky. Army Day moved in again with realism as the 9th Field Artillery of Fort Lewis, with 220 men and officers, bivouacked last night at Sixth Avenue and Battery Street. The schedule will continue today with the luncheon meeting at the New Washington Hotel and the climax at 3 o'clock when thirty blocks of marching units parade the streets.

Military units from Fort Lewis, Fort Lawton, Fort Worden, Everett, Mount Vernon and Bremerton poured into Seattle at early hours by automobile, truck, train, Coast Guard cutter and Navy tugs.

THIRD ANNUAL

SEATTLE AIR SHOW



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THE SEATTLE JUNIOR CHAMBER
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★ PROGRAM *of* EVENTS ★

12:00 P.M. [illegible]e of Planes over the City

1:30 P.M. Exhibition and Judging of Model Airplanes
(Built by Members of the Seattle Wing of the Junior Birdmen of America)

2:00 P.M. Departure of Northwest Airlines
(Lockheed Electra Transport Plane)

2:05 P.M. Puddle Jumper Sweepstakes
(Limited to Planes of 45 h.p. and under)

2:20 P.M. Demonstration of Crazy Flying
LIEUTENANT A. ELLIOTT MERRILL

2:25 P.M. Acrobatic Flying Contest

2:55 P.M. Arrival of the United Airlines Boeing Transport Plane

3:10 P.M. Special Event

3:07 P.M. Transport Plane Arrival

3:20 P.M. Free-for-All Handicap Race

3:40 P.M. Women's Bombing Contest

3:50 P.M. Stunting Exhibition——GLADYS VICKERS CROOKS

4:05 P.M. Puff Race

4:20 P.M. Soaring Parachute Jump

4:40 P.M. Spot Landing Contest

4:55 P.M. Speed Dash

5:15 P.M. Passenger Flying
(An excellent opportunity to see Seattle from the air)

Announcer: LIEUTENANT JOSEPH P. ADAMS, U.S.M.C.R.

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AIR SHOW EVENTS WILL BE NUMEROUS

One Seattle Firm To Send Four Airplanes To Take Part

Eastern Washington's only air show this spring will be held in Walla Walla two weeks from this week-end. The dates are May 25 and 26.

There will be three plane races daily, two each of 30 miles and one of 18 miles. In the two 30-mile races one will be for planes with motors of more than 125 horsepower and the other for those powered with less than 125-horsepower motors. The 18-mile race will be open to any and all planes. It will be a slow race, the object being to see how long it takes the pilots to cover the 18-mile course. Planes that touch the ground will be disqualified.

Women Fliers Expected

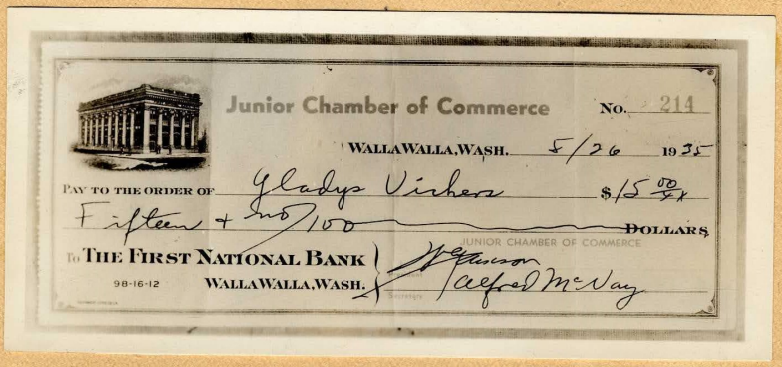
Two Great Lakes planes will be flown here by women pilots: Miss Gladys Vickers, president of the association of Women Pilots, Boeing field, Seattle, and Miss Grace Chanahan of the same organization. Miss Vickers will enter all of the contests arranged for women. Miss Shanahan will not compete. In addition the company will send over a four-place Robin for passenger carrying. It has been announced that pilots will not be charged commission for passenger carrying but the times at which they may carry passengers will be governed by the air show sponsors.

Gladys Vickers Wins in Air Stunting Contest

One of Kennewick's former residents brought home some more honor to the old home town, this week when Miss Gladys Vickers won second in stunting, a contest at the Walla Walla air show staged by the Junior Chamber of Commerce over the week-end. All three used the Great Lakes trainer in which Rankin performed his thrilling stunts. Stunting judges were Tex Rankin, Carey L. Strome, Junction City, chief race judge, and Glen W. Neel, Portland, aeronautical inspector.

Miss Vickers is the only daughter of the late Captain and Mrs. J. W. Vickers, pioneer settlers in the Kennewick district. She is a graduate from W. S. C. and also from the University of Washington. She is employed at Boeing field in Seattle.

Dr. Parsley drew a first in the stunting exhibition in which he, Miss Gladys Vickers of Seattle and Lt. C. J. Messer of Seattle competed. The flying doctor showed a nice assortment of barrel rolls, Immelmans and tailspins. Miss Vickers was second, showing particularly well with barrel rolls. Most of Messer's exhibition was conducted too far from the crowd to be easily seen. Art Whitaker and Seth Davidson, both of Portland, gave a "bombing" exhibition.



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WOMEN CONQUER THE AIR!

The Ladies of the Winged Slipper

SKYWOMEN!—Standing at salute behind Flight Leader Cora Sterling are members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field who flew to Sand Point yesterday. Left to right are Jerry Fletcher, Grace Shanahan, Kay Middleton, Gladys Vickers, Kathleen Green, Mercedes Sprague, Virginia O. Andrews, Mary Riddle, Mildred E. Fitz and Lettie Johnson. They were wearing their new uniforms for the first time.

NIFTY!—Miss Jerry Fletcher exhibits the new uniform adopted by the women pilots, with their novel insignia.
—Post-Intelligencer Photo.)

Airwomen Capture Sand Point Base

12 Fair Pilots Boast New Uniforms

Sand Point naval air base, where men are airmen, was "captured" by an invading force of feminine flyers yesterday.

A few minutes after taking off from Boeing Field. Six planes droned over Sand Point, swooped to graceful landings — and out stepped twelve aviatrices clad in snappy royal blue flying suits decorated with a winged slipper done in white.

They were members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, and their visit was in response to a luncheon invitation from Sand Point air reserve forces. Their official host was Lieut. B. B. Smith.

Miss Cora Sterling was flight commander; Miss Gladys Vickers is president of the Associated Women Pilots; Miss Mary Riddle is vice president and Mrs. Edna Barrie Anderson is secretary-treasurer.

Sand Point aviators put on an aerial demonstration for the visitors, including a bombing exhibition.

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Women Flyers Featured in Air Circus

Attention! Pictured here are some of the Associated Women Flyers of Boeing field, Seattle, 16 of whom are expected to take part in the air circus at Week's field here Sunday.

One of the most unusual women's flying organization in America, the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing field, Seattle, will be seen in Coeur d'Alene during the Inland Empire air circus Sunday at Weeks' field. The club, organized to prove that women have a definite place in aviation, the fastest growing industry in America, has 23 members owning five planes. Miss Gladys Vickers, club president, and about 15 of her ladybirds, will make the flight from Seattle to Coeur d'Alene for the show.

Included in the group will be Miss Cora Sterling, one of the few women transport pilots in the United States; Mary Riddle, an Indian maid with 210 flying hours to her credit; Mildred Fitz, 110 hours; Dora Skinner, 100 hours; Floy Beagles, 75 hours; Edna Anderson, 40 hours; Virginia Andrews, 120 hours; Grace Shanahan, a plane owner with a 40-hour rating; Edith Barrie, Ruth Babcock, Pat Buchanan and Jane Field.

Official Event for June

"Our club, which is interesting in proving that women can take their place in any branch of aviation, has voted to make the Coeur d'Alene show our official event for June," writes Miss Vickers, who will be entered in one of the acrobatic exhibitions at the air circus. Miss Cickers won the women's acrobatic Vickers won the women's acrobatic and recently put on a stunt program at the second annual Seattle junior chamber of commerce air show.

Besides assuring a thrilling performance in the air, the Seattle women flyers will provide an interesting show on the ground. All wear flying suits of royal blue, with the club emblem, a white winged slipper stitched on the back.

"The Sky is Our Clubroom" is the motto of this unusual group, and "meetings" are held each month at various parts of the northwest. The December meeting consisted of participation in the Orville Wright memorial flight; March, a trip to the Sand Point naval air station; April, a flight over Seattle and to Fort Lawton; July, group flight to Yakima; August, group flight to Centralia.

Flight Here Longest Hop

"The flight to Coeur d'Alene will be the longest our members have taken," said Miss Vickers. "Miss Shanahan and myself will pilot stunt planes, and Miss Sterling will fly a larger transport plane carrying several other members. While in Coeur d'Alene, Miss Sterling, our only transport license holder, will probably conduct passenger flights."

Miss Vickers reports that members of the Seattle club will be entered in every event open to women during the meet. This covers plenty of ground, for the women's program includes races, stunting, bomb-dropping, balloon-busting and parachute jumping.

In the acrobatic department, Miss Vickers gives many of the men pilots a thrill, and her performance Sunday will probably be second only to that of Tex Rankin, nationally known stunt pilot who holds the world's record for 131 outside loops. This type of loop, said to be the most dangerous known to aviators, will climax a half-hour program in which Rankin will show visitors practically every stunt in the flying book.

Indications are that the air circus will draw several thousand people from Spokane. Extra service will be provided by the Auto Interurban company.

CRACK AIR FOLK TO AID CIRCUS

Score or More of Coast Men and Women Here Today En Route to Coeur d'Alene.

Coeur d'Alene Air Circus Sunday.

10:30 a. m.—Sky parade, following arrival of western contingent, which will take off from Felts field, Spokane, at 10 a. m. carrying passengers and visiting pilots.

1 p. m.—Race, 125 horse power limit, 18-mile closed course.

1:15—Dead-stick landing contest.

1:35—Acrobatics, open field.

2:05—125 to 220 horse power race, 18-mile course.

2:15—Acrobatic exhibition, open field.

2:45—Bomb dropping.

3:15—Acrobatic exhibition.

3:45—Free-for-all, Inland Empire championship race, 30 miles.

4—Acrobatic exhibition.

4:30—Balloon busting contest.

5—Acrobatics, Tex Rankin, holder of world's record for 131 outside loops.

5:30—Parachute drops.

A score or more airplanes from points west, bound for the air circus to be staged tomorrow at Coeur d'Alene by the Lake city chamber of commerce, will arrive at Felts field late this afternoon. Pilots, including 16 members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, will spend the night in Spokane, taking off tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock to travel en caravan to Weeks' field in Coeur d'Alene.

"Ladybirds" Are Coming.

The flight of the "ladybirds" will be led by Miss Gladys Vickers, Seattle stunt flyer, and president of the Seattle women flyers' organization. Miss Grace Shanahan will pilot a Great Lakes training plane, and Miss Cora Sterling, the club's only transport pilot, is expected to bring several members of her organization in a large transport plane.

Included in the women's group will be Miss Mary Riddle, Indian maid, who expects to make her first parachute jump at the Coeur d'Alene show.

The program of the air circus includes six hours of races, acrobatics, bombing and dead-stick landing contest, balloon busting and parachute drops. Planes of all types are signed up to take part in the show, the largest being a Ryan speedster, designed by the builder of the Lindbergh Spirit of St. Louis, and a trimotor wasp-powered 12-passenger Ford from the Johnson air service at Missoula.

Tex Rankin of Portland, former Spokane flyer, is expected to provide the high light act of the program, a half-hour series of difficult acrobatics climaxed by the outside loop, a stunt for which he holds the world's record

Miss Gladys Vickers, Seattle girl pilot who will lead her flock of 16 lady-birds, all members of the flyers club known as the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing field. Miss Vickers won the women's stunt event at the Walla Walla air show last week and will go after top honors at the Coeur d'Alene show.

CLOUD CARAVAN TO FLY SUNDAY

A sky caravan taking off from Felts field at 10 o'clock Sunday morning, then circling the city before heading toward the Idaho state line, will give Spokane a preview of the air circus Sunday afternoon at Coeur d'Alene under the auspices of the lake city Chamber of Commerce.

The circus is expected to attract between 40 and 50 pilots who will present a five-hour program of races, acrobatics, bomb dropping, balloon busting, and parachute jumping.

Anticipate Record Turnout.

Anticipating a record turnout of planes as well as spectators, the Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce has regraded the airport, and will have 50 national guardsmen out to patrol the field. The Idaho state highway department will be on hand to direct traffic.

The western contingent of flyers, including planes from Portland, Seattle, Yakima and Wenatchee, was to arrive late this afternoon at Felts field, led by Tex Rankin of Portland, and Miss Gladys Vickers, president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing field, Seattle. A delegation from the Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce planned to be here to greet the visitors.

The entry list, as yet incomplete, shows the following types of planes at the circus:

Waco and Fleet trainers from the Lana Kurtzell Flying service of Seattle; Eaglerock, entered by S. J. Stursey of Yakima; training plane, entered by W. Penn Stoht of Plains, Mont.; Curtis Thrush Wright four-place cabin plane, entered by Frank Kammer of Wenatchee; six-place Bellanca and open planes, entered by Mamer-Shreck of Spokane; Ryan Speedster, two Great Lakes training planes, and a four-place Robin, entered by Leonard Peterson of Seattle; four-place Cessna, entered by Eddie Mileski and Jim Galvin, Boeing field, Seattle; Ford tri-motor and open standard, entered by the Johnson Flying service of Missoula.

Frank Kammer, Wenatchee flyer, is manager of the program.

The feature act of the afternoon will come at 5 o'clock when Rankin, former Spokane flyer, takes the air for a half-hour program of acrobatics which will be climaxed by outside loops. He is the world's record holder for this type of stunting, having established the mark at 131 at the southern air pageant at Charlotte, N. C. in 1931.

Will Release Models.

A surprise feature of the circus will be the release of 200 miniature "Air Hawks" monoplanes from a mother ship high above the flying field. The stunt is in conjunction with the aviation drama, "Air Hawks" currently opening at the Orpheum theater. Many of the miniature "ships" will carry complimentary tickets to the movie.

EVERYTHING IS READY FOR CELEBRATION

Rodeo Preliminaries Wednesday Afternoon; Happy Canyon on Streets in Evening; Full Day on Fourth

Nice weather is all that the Fourth of July committee is now looking for. All details for the big two day celebration are now nicely in hand and the show promises to be the biggest and best celebration Kennewick has staged for years and years.

The celebration will start with the rodeo preliminaries Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at the specially constructed park adjacent to the school playfield. Grandstands and bleachers have been set up on the grounds, which have been leveled and watered. At this performance, the kids will get a break for Mr. Richmond, who is conducting the show, is inviting all youngsters under 12 to be his guests, free.

Wednesday evening the celebration will be brough to town. Happy Canyon will be in full swing in the streets which will be roped off against car traffic for the evening. The open air dance will be run all evening and fun and pleasure will reign supreme.

Rodeo Big Feature

At two o'clock in the afternoon the finals in the rodeo will be run off for the Inland Empire championship. A $50 belt will be awarded the winner in the rodeo. At the close of the show in the arena, the crowd will be thrilled with a malf hour of aerial acrobatics by Miss Gladys Vickers, who has been secured as a special attraction.

Along about this time the grange kitty ball tournament will be started for the championship of the county. Those who do not care for ball games will have a chance to watch the married women fling rolling pins and such at a dummy husband. It can't dodge, however.

ADMIRING SEATTLEITES SEE PARADE OF AVIATION SKILL

Gladys Vickers Cops Feminine Honors; Kurtzer Wins Challenge Trophy; Plane Hits Parked Autos

The progress of aviation and the ability of women to cope with men in the world of flying was paraded yesterday at Boeing field before more than 10,000 persons.

The air show, sponsored by the junior chamber of commerce, was a decided success with no casualties and a display of piloting that kept spectators gasping.

The thrill of the day was provided by Robert Lane of Aberdeen whose ship plunged toward the earth when a few feet off the ground, crashed into two parked automobiles and then careened over on one wing. Lane was not injured but his ship was badly damaged.

The crowd had no more than recovered its breath after this bit of excitement when the plane piloted by Lieut, Cleo Messer went into a tail spin 300 feet in the air.

The ship zoomed towards the earth but Messer, accomplishing the seemingly impossible, straightened it out when it was no more than 50 feet above the buildings at the north end of the field. He made a safe landing and the crowd cheered.

Honors of the day went to Lana Kurtzer, Seattle aviator and operator of a flying school, who stunted over the field and brought his plane to a "spot" landing to win the challenge trophy.

Feminine honors went to Gladys Vickers, comely Seattle aviatrix, who took first place in the women's bombing contest. Mary Riddell of Portland, only Indian aviatrix in America, took second place. Cora Sterling was third.

In the puff race Lana Kurtzer was first, Ray Webb second and Leonard Peterson third. In the spot landing contest John Amunsen won first honors, Kurtzer second, Ed Crooks third and John Ringer fourth.

The free for all handicap race was won by Al Berthal, with Les Bowman second, Ed Rasmussen third and Cora Sterling fourth.

Elliott Merrill took first place in the puddle jumpers sweepstakes for planes of 45 horsepower and under. Lana Kurtzer was second. In the stunting contest Peterson took first place, Lieut. Messer second and Dr. Frank Parsley third.

The air show was such a complete success that H. Van Wyck, general chairman, announced that it would be repeated next year. There was considerable interest during the show in the arrival and take off of the big air transports moving north and south from Boeing field on their regular runs.

The show was the climax of the three-day south district exposition and aerial pageant, sponsored by the Duwamish Industrial club and the junior chamber of commerce. More than 200 firms took part with displays at the exposition. The Northwest Dahlia show also ended last night.

Bombing? Let Her Show You!

A man's world? Not entirely—and Miss Gladys Vickers, noted Seattle girl pilot, will prove it to you. She will demonstrate that women can drop bombs from planes as accurately as bombers of the sterner sex. She is entered in the women pilots' bombing contest in the big air show to be staged Sunday at Boeing field. It is one of the most spectacular events on the day's program.

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SEATTLE READY FOR AIR CIRCUS

Young Glider Expert to Be Seen in Numerous Stunts

Seattle's biggest airplane circus in recent years and the South District exposition sponsored by the Duwamish Industrial club will open at 2 p. m. Friday for a three-day showing.

Speakers at the opening ...

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Under Subpoena

Flyers Wait to Testify On Airport Probe

WAITING TO BE CALLED—*Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, Seattle aviatrix, and her flyer husband, Edward Crooks, waiting outside the grand jury room yesterday. Crooks was subpoenaed and his wife came with him. He wasn't called.*

—(International News Photo by Post-Intelligencer Staff Photographer.)

THE SEATTLE STAR

Mrs. Crookes Will Reign

Lady Flier Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crookes, 1715 Spokane street, will reign at the fourth annual air show sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce a week from tomorrow. Mrs. Crookes, who is a member of the Associated Women Pilots, will do a bit of stunting herself when it comes her turn. She's an expert at the business and, as a queen—well, judge for yourself.

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ASSOCIATED WOMEN'S PILOTS
Kurtzer Flying Service
Boeing Field
Seattle, Washington

ATTENTION: GLADYS CROOKS

Ladies:

The Aviation Committee of the Seattle Junior Chamber of Commerce wishes to extend its appreciation for the fine cooperation given by your organization during our Fourth Annual Air Show.

We wish to especially thank Gladys Vickers Crooks for her participation this year as Queen.

It is the desire of our organization to enlist the participation of your organization in all future shows. Any suggestions you have to offer for a better show will be appreciated.

Please extend our thanks to the members of your organization.

Very truly yours,

Lowell P. Mickelwait

LOWELL P. MICKELWAIT, PRESIDENT
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CURTIS W. SPILLERS, CHAIRMAN
FOURTH ANNUAL AIR SHOW

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Ladybirds Drop In On Tacoma!

Six of the 25 members of the Associated Women Pilots, of Boeing Field, flew their own planes to Tacoma, Sunday morning to invite Tacoma girls to attend the opening of new club rooms at the Boeing Field administration building, Sunday afternoon. They dropped smoothly to the Mueller-Harkins airport where they were met by Don Emmons, field manager, and several Tacoma girls who are interested in flying. The Tacomans accepted the invitation and flew to Boeing Field later in the day.

Reading from left to right in the picture are Gladys Crooks, president; Mildred Filz, secretary; Kay Buchan, Lucile Stone, Lettie Johnson, Mr. Emmons, Eleanor Elliott, Adeline Holt, Virginia O'Brien and Ann Ogle.

FAIR FLYER WINS HER WINGS

MILESTONE IN HER AIR CAREER

Gladys Crooks Pins Insignia on Louise Patterson's Sleeve

—(International News Photos by Post-Intelligencer Staff Photographer.)

Several members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field are wearing new decorations on their natty flying suits today, following presentation of accomplishment awards at the annual dinner in the New Washington Hotel.

The awards were presented by William S. Moore, federal aeronautics inspector stationed here. Gladys Crooks, president of the association, presided at the dinner.

Those receiving wings for solo rating were Mercedes Sprague, Virginia Ogden Andrews, Louise Patterson, Emma Leavenworth, Ann Shrauger, Grace Shanahan, Patricia Buchanan and Edith Barrie.

Chevrons, designating holders of amateur pilots licenses, were presented to Gladys Smith and Lucille Stone.

Stars for 100 hours flown during the year were received by Gladys Smith, Grace Shanahan, Gladys Crooks, Dora Skinner and Mildred Filz.

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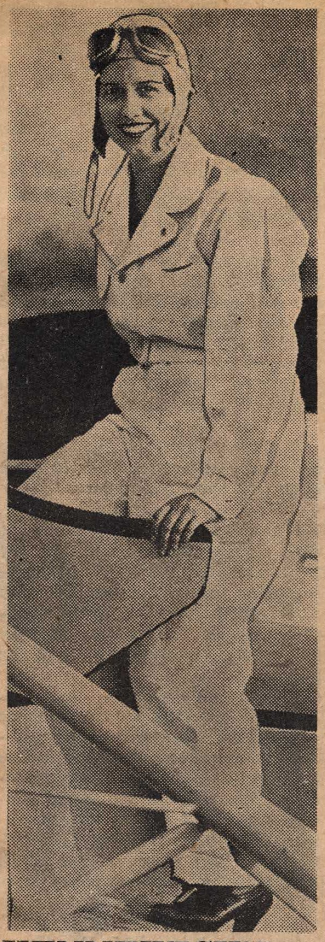
Kennewick Girl Flyer Flying There Again

Mrs. Ed Crooks, the former Miss Gladys Vickers of Kennewick is again to be seen flying this weekend over Pasco. Mrs. Crooks and her husband are in Kennewick to care for the cherry harvest on the Vickers place and will do some passenger carrying Saturday and Sunday over the two towns. They have a three-place cabin ship. Mr. Crooks is an independent operator on Boeing field, conducting a student training and charter service.



KENNEWICK'S AVIATRIX TO FLY SUNDAY

Former Miss Gladys Vickers Here with Husband Flier; May be Feature at Fourth Celebration

Mrs. Ed Crooks, the former Gladys Vickers, is in Kennewick for the week attending to the cherry crop. Mrs. Croops is the daughter of the late Captain and Mrs. J. W. Vickers, pioneer residents of Kennewick.

Mrs. Crooks is accompanied by her husband, Ed, who is a well-known Seattle pilot, operating flying schools there and also in Kelso. Mr. and Mrs. Crooks were at the local airport during the celebration last July 4th, at which time they put on stunting exhibitions in a Great Lakes stunt plane. Ed Crooks will be flying a three-place Curtiss Challenger Robin airplane on the landing strip south of the park on Saturday and Sunday. Gladys Crooks will sell flight tickets for the two days.

Mrs. Crooks is president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, a group of 25 Seattle women pilots, whose activities are well known throughout the state Gladys won prizes in several airshows thruout this section last summer, among which was a prize for stunting at the Walla Walla airshow last June, She expects to enter the airshow for women to be held in Spokane at the end of June, where many valuable prizes are being offered.

The ship Mr. Crooks will fly this week-end is owned by Bud Trick, another Seattle pilot. Mr. Trick will arrive here Saturday morning, and will be accompanied by Miss Mildred Ajax, another of Seattle's feminine pilots.

Mr. and Mrs. Crooks are stopping with Mrs. J. B. Thomas.

Associated Women Pilots

Group Flight to Portland, Oregon

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Seattle, Washington: July 1934

SEA: I269 AN ALL TIME RECORD FOR SOLOING FOR THIS ESKIMO BOY.

Seattle Washington.- It may llok easy, but when you can hop into a plane in one hour and twenty six minutes from the time you land from the wilderness of Alaska and take a plane aloft, thats a story. John Dull just out from the frozen North is an apt pupil, never has there been a pupil so alert and when Miss Gladys Vickers (Mechanical expert of the Leonard Pederson Flying school De-Lux) Pronounces him fit, he must be right. Photo shows John Dull examining an oil line under the supervision of Miss Gladys Vickers.

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Seattle Women Pilots Will Compete in Aerial Contest

Aviatrices Will Fly to Portland To Attend Air Show

MRS. O. D. TRICK JR. MRS. A. ELLIOTT MERRILL MARY RIDDLE LUCILLE STONE MRS. EDWARD CROOKS KATHLEEN GREEN MRS. KAY BUCHAN RETA SUTHERLAND GERALDINE FLETCHER HILDEGARD SCHMIDT LOUISE PATTERSON

SKY'S THE LIMIT — *Members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field shown standing alongside a plane at the Airport. The association yesterday announced flights to Olympia to organize a branch there, and to Portland to attend the air show, as highlights of the coming season's activities. They have also divided into two teams and the team whose members spend the most time in the air between now and June will be given dinner, to be paid for by the losers. Each team will get a credit of fifty points for each hour a member flies, and bonus for solo flight.* *(Story on Page 13.)*

(Picture by Post-Intelligencer Staff Photographer.)

Keeping Up With the Clubs

It isn't every club which furnished its own strawberries for strawberry shortcake at a hotel dinner. However, this is exactly what the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field did at its annual awards day banquet Thursday evening at the New Washington. To be exact, the strawberries were furnished by Mrs. Edward Crooks (Gladys Vickers), who brought them here herself from Kennewick, where she now lives.

Besides the strawberries, Mrs. Crooks brought with her a crate of cherries, the first to be shipped out of Kennewick this season. These were presented to the group from both Mrs. Crooks and her husband. The former Gladys Vickers was president of the Associated Women Pilots at one time.

Invitation for the women flyers to hold their next year's convention at the Kennewick Airport has been extended to the women flyers by the mayor and council of that city.

The awards were presented by William S. Moore, United States aeronautical inspector. Miss Cora Sterling was given three stars for 300 hours of flying. Miss Sterling's total is now 500 hours. "Solo wings" for making her first solo flight were presented to Mrs. Alene Vinther, who soloed during the recent contest conducted by the Associated Women Pilots.

Felt emblems, representing a ig" and a zag," which are the ards for the third class tele- ne licenses, were received by Crooks, Mrs. Kay Buchan, Helen Brattus and Mrs. A. t Merrill (Mildred Filz). ificates for completing the ross first aid course were o Miss Louise Patterson, t of the organization; Miss Fletcher, Miss Hildegart Miss Ann Miller and Miss tone, treasurer. Miss venworth received one hours of flying time.

VALLEY'S WOMAN PILOT VISITS HERE

Mrs. Edward Crooks Admits She Would Rather Cook Than Fly as Occupation

First woman pilot in Seattle to receive an airplane radio operator's license, Mrs. Edward R. Crooks, whose home is now in Kennewick, stopped off in Yakima a short time yesterday afternoon while en route to the coast city where this evening she will attend the annual banquet of the Association of Women Pilots of Boeing field. Mrs. Crooks will be remembered here as Miss Gladys Vickers.

Due for Award

Mrs. Crooks has been active in coast flying circles for the last three years. She has appeared at many air meets in the northwest and has also served as guest and stunt pilot. She holds a private transport license and has more than 250 hours' flying time to her credit. Mrs. Crooks amazed Seattle pilots when she made her solo flight after two lessons three years ago.

At the association banquet this evening, Mrs. Crooks will receive an award for becoming the first woman pilot to receive the radio operator's license. She formerly was president of the association.

Cooking vs. Flying

Accompanying Mrs. Crooks to Seattle is Miss Elizabeth Frazier, also of Kennewick. They are driving, and are taking with them the first box of Kennewick cherries to be moved to the coast this year. They also are hauling a crate of Kennewick strawberries to Seattle, to be used this evening for short cakes at the banquet.

"I would rather cook than fly," Mrs. Crooks declared. "My husband and I have a plane in Kennewick, but he does most of the flying in the family now. We expect to fly to Yakima some week-end soon."

Mrs. Crooks Vice Pres. Lady Pilots

Mrs. Ed Crooks made a trip to Portland on the United Air Lines to attend the Air Show last week-end. She also attended a banquet and convention given at the Arrow Club for the Associated Women Pilots of the Northwest There were women flyers presented from Boise, Tacoma and Seattle Mrs Crooks was elected vice president of this organization at the convention This is quite an honor for Mrs. Crooks and it is the first time this same group of women have met together.

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Delta Zeta is proud of Gladys Vickers, a stunt flyer, seen here in a Kinner Sportster.

AIR CIRCUS LURES WOMEN PILOTS

THEY'LL FLY HIGH!—Women Pilots of Boeing Field accept Dwyer Hawley's invitation to the Spokane Air Circus, to be held June 2. They are Mary Riddle, Kathleen Green, Edna Olson, Jerry Fletcher, Gladys Vickers, Hawley, Grace Shanahan, Virginia Ogden Andrews and Letty Johnson. They'll take part in the event, too.
—(Post-Intelligencer Photo.)

Leads Ladybirds

Gladys Vickers, president of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing field, Seattle, will lead 16 ladybirds to Coeur d'Alene Sunday for the Inland Empire air circus, sponsored by the Coeur d'Alene Chamber of Commerce. The women pilots will arrive at Felts field Saturday afternoon, spend the night in Spokane, and join a sky caravan taking off at 10 a. m. Sunday for Coeur d'Alene.

AVIATRICES TO ATTEND MEET

Seattle's famous girl flyers, members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field, will have a leading part in the spectacular aviation show, plane races and air circus to be held in Spokane June 2.

At the membership tea party which the women pilots held at Boeing Field yesterday, Dwyer Hawley of the Inland Empire Air Service tendered them an official invitation to participate in the circus, which was promptly accepted by Dorothy Vickers, president.

The women pilots will fly to Spokane the day preceding the air circus, and five of them will do formation flying and will enter their ships in the special women's events. Miss Vickers will do stunt flying and Grace Shanahan, Cora Sterling, Mary Riddle and Mildred Filz will go through their air paces, together with Floy Beagles and Edna B. Anderson; and Mrs. Dora Skinner of Yakima.

They will hold the spotlight of the show whose main event will be flying by Lee Miles, internationally known flyer, who will try to break officially, the seven world records he now holds.

Student flyers of the women pilots group who will also make the trip are Virginia Ogden Andrews, Edith Barrie, Ruth Babcock, Pat Buchanan, Jane Field, Kathleen Green, Jerry Fletcher, Mercedes Sprague, Lettie Johnson, Ann Shrauger and Kay Middleton. Also the "rookies," or newest members, Edna B. Olson, Helen Whitehead, Opal Heiser and Flora Zackery.

Leonard Peterson of the Seattle air service that bears his name will be a favored contender in the air races.

FLYING ED CROOKS IS VISITING HERE

Ed Crooks, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Crooks of Columbia Valley Gardens and formerly a resident of Longview, is visiting here over the Thanksgiving holiday period with his parents. He arrived from Seattle yesterday morning. He is accompanied by his wife, Mrs. Gladys Vickers Crooks, woman flier, from Seattle in their plane.

Crooks, who is now an instructor for Leonard R. Peterson at Boeing field, Seattle, has his plane at the Kelso airport and is taking up passengers there during his visit here. He plans to return to Seattle Sunday afternoon.

He is flying a Great Lakes training ship formerly used by Tex Rankin. Rankin used the ship in setting a world record for outside loops.

Leonard R. Pet
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Solo Flight to
Portland, Ore. with Ass'd Women Pilots,
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Celebrating First Officers
"Aviation Day"

Pilots Up in The Air Down On The Farm

Cherries don't grow on bushes.

Milk doesn't always come from bottles.

And tractors are a darned sight harder to pilot than an airplane.

That's what ten Seattle aviatrices discovered when they spent a day playing farmerettes on a farm in Kennewick Sunday.

Many of the girls who work in Seattle business offices when they are not piling up solo hours had never been on a farm until the Northwest convention of the Women's Aeronautical Association presented an opportunity.

The flying farmerettes were Gladys Crooks, owner of the farm; Cecil Goodwin, Grace Shanahan, Ruth Anderson, Cora Sterling, Rita Sutherland, Mildred Merrill, Muriel Fitzpatrick, Emma Leavenworth and Lucille Stone.

Accustomed to going to the nearest corner grocery when they felt like a snack they soon learned that country life presented a new and more difficult problem for the beginners.

For instance, cherries. There's many a slip twixt the branch and the lip. But nevertheless they shinnied up ladders and trees to pick pails of delicious Bings with the only casualty occurring when Miss Stone got her foot caught in a tree.

And milk. Before they could eat lunch the girls had to milk two cows. They soon learned that Bossy had more than horns for a weapon when they got the full force of a misdirected squirt of milk in the eye.

The aviatrices drove tractors—much as little boys play choo-choo in dad's car—they chased geese, played hide and seek among the orchard trees and then flew home to Seattle.

State Meeting Of Lady Pilots June 18 and 19

Flying Women Will Stop at Airport For Annual Meet

The Northwest Association of Women Pilots will make Kennewick and Pasco their headquarters for the 1938 flying convention June 18 and 19. Planes flown by women pilots will arrive from other airports in the northwest on Saturday afternoon. Plans for the week-end include a short business session and election; an aeronautical banquet, and a picnic and swimming party Sunday.

Each year since 1934, the women pilots in Seattle have made flights to Portland, Spokane, Coeur de' Alene, and other points for a vacation outing. Women pilots from other airports in the northwest have joined Seattle on these tours, so now they meet at some designated spot for a flying convention. This year women will arrive from Seattle, Boise, Tacoma, Olympia, and Portland.

Flying is a hobby with these women. Many of them are housewives, some are college students, some nurses, and others business girls. But each year they save up their extra money for the convention flight. Several times during the spring and summer these women pilots get together on Sunday mornings, warm up their ships, and take short group flights to visit neighboring women. On such occasions they wear their royal blue flying coveralls with their emblem, a flying slipper. The Seattle group has a club at the airport fitted up with easy chairs, a studio lounge, and a good library of good aeronautical books. They frequently serve breakfast or tea in their club room after one of these trips.

The Northwest Association of Women Pilots have become quite famous because of their many activities in the promotion of aviation. On May 19, five of the women flew the air mail on the special flight to commemorate the founding of the air mail service. Each winter they organize ground school classes and study aeronautics, navigation, radio and first aid. There is no wealthy group of sportswomen in the larger cities that can compete with this ambitious group of business girls and housewives from the northwest who make flying their hobby.

Reservations have been made for 25 visitors. Among those expected are Henrietta Palmer, Association president, of Tacoma, who will fly a Fairchild 22 monoplane. Jessie Dunn, secretary, of Boise, Idaho, will fly a Taylor Cub. Lucille Stone, treasurer, who passed her examination for private pilot's license last week, will fly a Rearwin Sportster from Seattle. Others from Seattle will be Mildred Merrill flying a Kinner low-wing monoplane; Cora Sterling, only woman commercial pilot in Washington, flying a four-place Kinner Envoy cabin plane; and Emma Edwards Leavenworth, 58 year old flying enthusiast and solo pilot. Flying with these pilots will be Ruth Anderson, Rita Sutherland, Grace Shanahan, Alene Vinter, and Louise Patterson. Further reservations have been made by Lela Walker and Mildred Beatty of Tacoma; Loraine Beymer and Lorraine Smedley, Boise; and Mildred Campbell of Olympia.

Women Pliots Get Professional Awards

THEIR JUST DUES—Aviatrices don't feel at home on the ground, so they got up in the air to receive awards from Inspector William S. Moore. From left are Ruth Anderson, Mary Stewart, Cora Sterling, Lucille Stone and Mrs. Edna Anderson.
—(Picture by Post-Intelligencer Staff Photographer.)

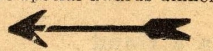
Girl Flyer Sings to Kill Jitter Jinx

And when you get the jitters—sing them away!

Imagine the consternation of the birds in the air when a plane piloted by a girl zoomed above Seattle leaving bits of the "Daring Young Man on the Flying Trapeze" in its wake.

That was Lucille Stone, singing her jitters away.

When the Seattle aviatrix was being tested for her private pilot's license by an inspector a severe attack of pilot's jitters came upon her, she revealed Thursday night at the special awards dinner of the



Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field.

Familiar with such cases the examiner suggested through the headphones that she do something to relax herself.

So Miss Stone started to sing.

"Oh he floats through the air with the greatest of ease . . ."

She gained confidence as she flew and sang.

"His actions were graceful . . ."

As she sang, the words about the daring young man had the same effect on Miss Stone, and she passed her test with the greatest of ease.

She received her private pilot's license from William S. Moore, federal aeronautical inspector, at the dinner.

Other aviatrices who, dressed in coveralls and silver high-heeled slippers, won awards were Ruth Anderson, Mary Stewart, Cora Sterling, Mrs. Edna Barrie Anderson and Mrs. Emma Edwards Leavenworth.

TAKING A FLYER AT FARMING

GROUNDED—Here are Seattle aviatrices down on the farm! Playing goose girls above are Gladys Crooks, Cecil Goodwin, Grace Shanahan, Ruth Anderson, Rita Sutherland, Cora Sterling, Mildred Merrill, Muriel Fitzpatrick, Emma Leavenworth and Lucille Stone. Miss Crooks and Miss Anderson are the dairymaids below.

CHERRY PICKER—What's play for Muriel Fitzpatrick Seattle woman pilot, is work to some people. Here sh fills her pail with the luscious fruit from a laden branch

—(Pictures by Post-Intelligencer Staff Photographer.)

Kennewick to be Host to Convention of Northwest's Lady Pilots

Louise Patterson gives final instruction for Sunday morning flight, to members of the Associated Women Pilots of Boeing Field in Seattle. Left to right : Mildred Trick, Mildred Merrill, Mary Riddle, Lucille Stone, Gladys Crooks, Kathleen Green, Kay Buchan Rita Sutherland, Gerry Fletcher, Hildegard Smidt and Louise Patterson.

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