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Hopefully this article will be rather brief. I guess I find myself like most of you -- just getting involved in too many things -- and then getting caught trying to meet a deadline on this newsletter.

I did manage to get away for a few days after Easter. Flew several friends to New Orleans. In addition to enjoying the atmosphere of that great city it gave me an opportunity to spend some time with Al Sigur with whom I stayed at Notre Dame Seminary.

Would like to call your attention to several important items in this newsletter. Naturally, everything is important. But a couple of things perhaps are a little more important than others.

Of special importance are the notices of two meetings. The first is a reminder of the Central Region's Spring meeting in Des Moines on May 8. This is the only notification (along with the one in the last issue) that will be given. Please plan to attend and also <u>please</u> notify P.J. McDonald of your intentions. He has a very fine program planned.

Secondly is the detailed notice of the ANNUAL CONVENTION to be held in Kansas. It looks as though Bob Pool and George Seuferling have come up with a real goodie for this year. Hope many of you can put that on your agenda and be with us this year. Also, please let them know what your plans are. Priests are notoriously consistent in never letting anyone know what their plans are. It's awfully hard to plan something that way so please give them the courtesy of letting them know when you are coming.

You have also found in your envelope by this time the NAPP directory. Membership-wise we are just about the same as last year. Right around 130

members. Almost all of them paid the \$10.00 annual dues. A couple were unable but still wanted to stay in the organization.

The IFR Sanderson film-strip course is booked up through June of 1973. The PRIVATE Course through July of this year. So if you know of anyone who wants that please let me know. It might even serve as a good review for some who've had their private ticket for sometime.

Had a letter from Monsignor Joseph T. O'Brien, Col. in the U.S.A.F. Presently he is assigned to national headquarters of C.A.P. and is in charge of recruiting chaplains. I know many of you already serve in that capacity but if you are interested contact him at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama 36112.

Guess that's about it for now. Must get to work and turn this over to the printer. Keep your news items coming.



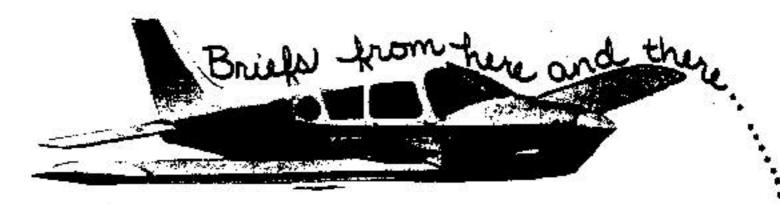
P. J. McDonald of Des Moines will host the Central Region's NAPP Spring meeting on May 8th. P. J. in cooperation with the Iowa Aeronautics Commission, the FAA Accident Prevention Specialist and the Des Moines Science Center, has put together a very fine program.

At 1:30 a new and reportedly very excellent film on instrument flying called "Sign Posts Aloft" will be shown. The film lasts about 45 minutes and will be followed by a demonstration in the vertigo chair. The Science Center's new IFR simulator has been reserved for the rest of the day and this will give all an opportunity for a FREE brush-up on those IFR maneuvers. Dinner will follow the activities at the Science Center.

In the past notices have been sent to all Central Region members. Because of the time and expense involved we have decided to discontinue this practice. The only notice you will have will be this one and the April newsletter. Any NAPP member is invited to join us in Des Moines on May 8th. All of you live with appointment books or calendars-so mark this one down NOW!!!

Please notify: Rev. P. J. McDonald 1308-32nd St. Des Moines, Iowa 50311

if you are planning on being there, when, and if by car or air.



Fr. C. J. Schlarman of Peoria, Ill is a technical collaborator on a land clearing project in Guatemala and consequently makes 3 or 4 trips a year there in Cessna 210.

Father Phil Schmitt is still coordinator of Marquette High School in Bellevue, Iowa, but has also been given the added responsibility of pastor of SS. Peter and Paul Church in Springbrook, Iowa.

Father Chales Young of Baker, Oregon is now Diocesan Director of Religious Education. Charles now has his instructor's rating and is hard at work instructing his Bishop (that must be a first) in a C-172.

He is planning a trip to South America next winter for 6 weeks and is looking for two compatable companions. Complete cost around \$1,500.00 all inclusive, Central American, Peru and return.

Charlie is willing to instruct any NAPP members free of charge if they provide the plane. His speciality is instrument flying.

Father John Porter of Cincinnati, Ohio is youth director for his diocese. He hasn't done any flying the past year but is helping out as a CAP chaplain.

Father John Birk of Pasco, Washington has received the good news that he will represent this Country and the Civil Air Patrol this summer as an escort for some CAP cadets on a foreign exchange to Australia.

The trip also includes a stop over in New Zealand.

Magr. Ben Bauer of Algona, Iowa had his flying club break up when he left Sioux City and presently is searching to form some sort of club. Meanwhile he is renting.

Father Hubert Spanel of Burwell, Nebraska flies to a neighboring Catholic High School-53 n. miles-and teaches 38 sophomores.

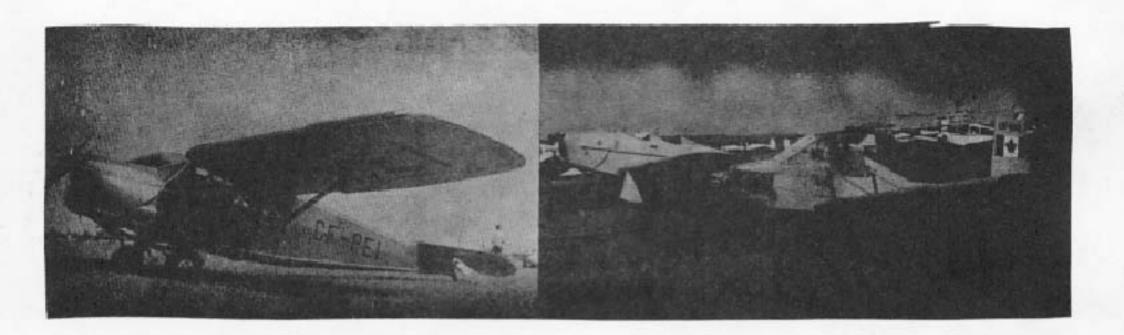
Father Don Evrard of DePaw, Ind. says Glenn Aire Ranch airport is home base and one mile from the rectory. Over night's welcome.

Fr. John Murphy has formed a non-profit corporation for purposes of operating a Day School and Summer Day CAmp for children to bring them the joys and experience of farm life.

In january, John took an 8-day flying trip to Eleuthera in the Bahamas. He flew with Capt. Alan Moccia who recently returned from 18 months combat flying a "bird dog" in Viet Nam. With the Capt. he had some fun doing low level flying over the waters along Eleuthera's east coast.

Father Larry Mullin, C.P. of Tupi, Phillipine Islands has not been flying for over a year due to complications resulting from stepping on a nail. The complications included 12 days in the hospital in Manila.

Larry will be returning homse this summer and would appreciate a lift from the East coast to the Kansas convention in July. Anyone having an empty seat contact him at: Passionists, Box 5, Union City, New Jersey.



Father John MacGillivray of the Canadian Air Forces sends the two pictures. The one at left is a DH80A PussMoth and the picture was taken at the EAA Fly-in at Oshkosh. The plane is painted red, black and silver like a Puss Moth flown in the 30's by the first lady pilot in the province of Prince Edward Island.

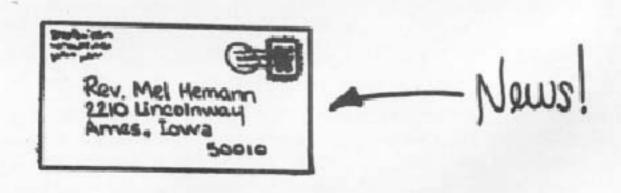
The other picture shows the Protestant Chaplain at a neighboring base seated in the Volksplane he built, next to the Hawk John flew to attend a Fly-in in connection with Armed Forces Day in October.

Father T. T. Thielen of the Josephine School of Theology is now a Professor of Pastoral Care and Marriage Counseling at the School and also the local Methodist and Lutheran seminaries.

Last year he finished up 10 months of supervised marriage counseling in Philadelphia. Had his usual 2 weeks training with the Ohio Air National Guard. In July he flew an American Yankee from Northern California to Washington State, then east to Snake River (Idaho border), back to Klamath Falls and back to Chico.

During October he spent a month as a Career Development Institute seminar leader for Air Force chaplains-one week in Anchorage at Elmendorf; two weeks in Japan; one week in the Philippines. Got back to the States just in time to hold a Marriage Encounter renewal and take off the next day for 4 weeks to Budapest, Bucharest, Moscow, Novosibirsh (2000 miles east of Moscow in Siberia), back to Moscow, Warsaw, Helsinki and Brussels. He was one of a group of 125 in a Comparative Education Seminar, studying the education system of the socialist countries.

So with almost 50,000 miles traveled in 2 months, he's home teaching a course entitled Christian Perspective on Group Dynamics in the Family in an ecumenical post-grad program.



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"We must be in Kansas. I see a sunflower."

A WARM WELCOME FROM THE SUNFLOWER STATE to all NAPPER'S and our annual National Convention in Emporia, Kansas, July 17, 18, 19. Pool and I have as our theme for this momentous gathering: "Everything that flies and floats in the clear, clean sir of Kansas." We like to show off our state and have scheduled for you quite a variety of things to do as well as to get together for some Padre Hanger-Flying. We offer you water skiing on Pamona, one of our numerous and beautiful lakes, possibility of doing some soaring (with a sail-plane, of course), optional side trips by plane to Abilene to the Isenhower Museum, the factories of the Helio Courier at Pittsburg, Bede's factory, and the Cessna plant in Wichita or Front Street in Dodge City; or an auto trip to Kansas City and the Star Light Theatre (Vine Street, etc.), FAA speakers, films, meetings, visiting the luxurious pad of George Seuferling and lodging at the AKL Fraternity. As if that is not enough, our airport has the finest facilities, repairs, etc., hard surface runways (Lites too), and if any of you need instrument repair or replacement, we have one of the finest exchange facilities available from Wichita.

Transportation into Emporia is best by your own plane (stage coaches no longer run here). If you take commercial flights into the area, we suggest Kansas City, Missouri. There is a commuter service to Emporia from Wichita and Kansas City but their schedules change so we will fill you in on that laterathe bus and train are a real hassle. If you will tell us the exact time of your errival, we can arrange to have you transported to our fair city, home of William Allen White.

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To arrange to have the sail-plane brought into this area, we will need to know how many are interested and a \$5.00 deposit in advance. Cost for tow, etc. will be about \$15.00 per hour. Other costs are outrageously low, just \$15.00 registration (includes most of the meals, banquet, drinks, etc.), and \$6.00 per nite for lodging. You just cannot afford to miss this great event.

You can help us in finalizing this temporary schedule by sending back the conveniently enclosed survey sheet and indicating what you would like to do while enjoying the Kansas summer:

## THOSE ARRIVING SUNDAY, JULY 16:

Cocktails, movie, rapping, card games, etc.

MONDAY: July 17:

Morning Arrivals: Could (indicate preference by checking one:)

( ) Side trip to Pittsburgh, tour Helio Courier Plant

( ) Side trip to Abilene, Isenhower Museum

( ) Golfing or swimming

Afternoon Arrivals ( ) Water skiing & swimming at Pamona, Lake followed by outdoor Bar-B-Q, and for some a flight back, others come back by car to Emporia

TUESDAY: July 18:

A M Business Meeting, F A A Films

Noon Lunch:

( ) Soaring

( ) Side trip to Newton, Kansas, Bede's Factory

( ) Golf or swimming

Evening Banquet

WEDNESDAY: July 19: AM Flight to Wichita & tour of the Cessna Plant

PM Relaxation and Films

Some may want to depart -- may stay over till Thursday

SEND THE INFORMATION & OTHER SUGGESTIONS TO:

George Seuferling

Box 160

Emporia, Kansas 66801

Phone 316/342-8727

## N.B.

Several of the members' dues arrived the day we were ready to go to press. We were able to get some of them listed at the end of the Directory. Those arriving after will be listed in the next issue of the newsletter. Sorry!!! We tried.