

A Little Bit Of History On Their Wingtips



Watsonville airport yesterday resembled an old-time airshow.

With the streaks of jet lightning fighting our present wars, leaving only white vapor trails in the sky, ground people see little of today's aeroplanes.

But when goggled and scarfed members of the Northern California Antique Airplane association gather in one airport, one does not have to turn his head very fast or raise his chin very high to study the basic flying machine.

More than 60 ancient aircraft have drifted noisily into the Watsonville airport and will be on display today, for the conclusion of the first annual antique air show, co-sponsored by the Watsonville junior chamber of commerce.

Some 2000 persons peppered the airport yesterday afternoon, opening ranks to make way for whirring propellers.

The air pattern above the airport resembled a migration of soaring hawks, their ancient wings dipping and wobbling to the air currents, like birds recovering from the flu.

There is no charge to see the planes.

The oldest is a Tommy Morse Scout, a World War I fighter, authentic to the machinegun sights. It is owned by James Nissen, 50, who manages the San Jose Municipal airport.

It was built between 1914 and 1915 and restored authentically, according to a spokesman. The engine turns with the prop.

Some other oldies include: a 1929 Perth-Amboy Bird BK, owned by Amelia Reid, San Jose; a 1930 Waco RNF; a 1929 Curtis Robin, owned by Bob Setterberg, 28; a 1929 Fleet (tiny single seater); a 1928 Lincoln Page, owned by G. E. Maxon, 43, of San Jose; a 1938 Minx Capon; a 1946 J-3 Cub.

A 1929 Davis DIW, owned by Clay Graves, Thousand Oaks; 1944 Stinson, owned by D. Towse, 40, of San Jose.

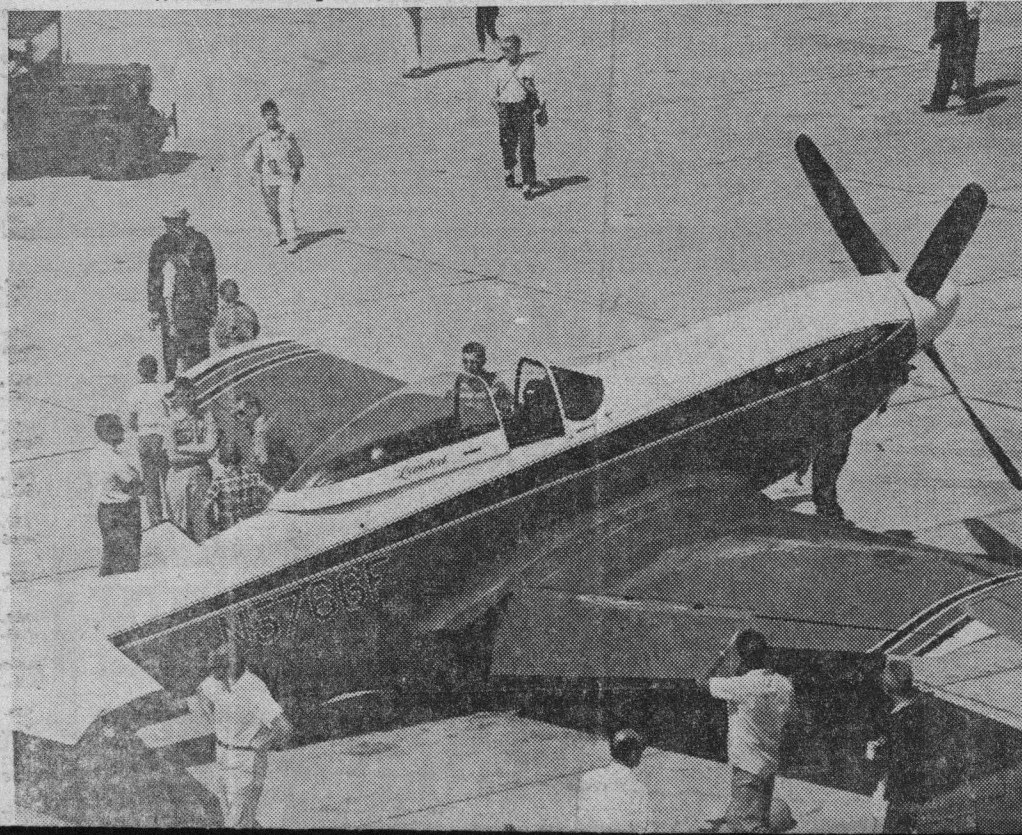
A 1939 Moth, owned by W. M. Orbeck, 34, of San Jose; a 1933 Waco, owned by James Lynch, 43, of San Jose.

A 1927 Waco 10, owned by Larry Stephens; a 1929 Fleet 2, owned by George McKee, 32, of San Jose; a 1929 Kreider-Reisher 34, owned by John Reid, 34, of San Jose.

A 1929 Detroit Parks P2A, owned by Richard Bach, 28; a 1930 Great Lakes, owned by Ole Fahlin of Palo Alto; a 1937 Ryan, owned by Don Carter, 37.



A Waco, built in the 1930s, uses little runway to take off.



A World War II P-40 owner flew in for yesterday's show.

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Silvers, Singer Open At Sahara

Las Vegas, Nev. — A veteran and newcomer team up Tuesday for the beginning of the Sahara hotel's summer parade of stars when Phil Silvers and recording artist Marilyn Michaels debut.

Silvers will present segments of his famous character, Sgt. Ernie Bilko, plus a musical departure with a clarinet solo.

Marilyn has gained fame with her imitations of top stars.

Another debut takes place the same night in the Casbar theater. Comedian Morey Amsterdam opens for the first time, replacing Don Rickles.

The Silvers-Michaels duo remains through June 14.

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of San Francisco; a 1935 Agronca C-3, owned by Joel Whitehorst, 46, of Los Banos.

Today a Ford tri-motor, owned by the American Airlines, is expected to fly in.

One of the old-time celebrities at the show is Bob Fowler, reputed to be the first man to fly non-stop across the United States.

To these ancients, the Watsonville airport seems a pure waste of taxpayers money.

They rose into the air in the space it would take a cow to kick a milk pail.

They crowded the last landing leg like they were late for supper; it was a sight that would make an airport manager break down and cry.

They landed so slowly it created the illusion — to the modern eye—that they were actually flying backwards.

Some of the tiny aircraft were marked "experimental," indicating they were home-made. A few looked incredibly small, leading one to assume that a sneeze while in the air could cause serious aerodynamical problems.

Among the visitors were some 60 consul attaches from seven foreign countries who dove down from San Francisco for the show.



James Nissen, 50, of San Jose, tells folks about his World War I Tommy Morse Scout fighter. The motor ro-

tates with the propeller. It was built between 1914 and 1915.



County NAACP Unit Discusses Help For Young Job-Hunters

Several practical suggestions for young job-hunters were passed on to members and guests of the Santa Cruz county chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People at its meeting Friday night at the YWCA.

Fred Buck, minority group specialist at the state employment office, urged more young county residents to explore the training offered in the federal Job Corps.

Buck also said the employment office will be open on Saturdays, beginning this week, with a special window to take care of summer job applicants.

Larry Dominguez of Goodwill Industries described vocational

training facilities available to young people referred by the welfare department for help in developing skills. Though handicapped persons are given first choice, the training is not exclusively for the handicapped, he said.

Mrs. Frank Woods of the YWCA and Cy Rockins, president of the new county Human Rights Action committee, presented summer programs under "Operation Head Start" — the national program designed to give pre-school youngsters a culturally richer background before entering regular school.

The NAACP is promoting such programs during its county-wide membership drive, which opens tomorrow, the 11th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision on school deseg-

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