BIRTH OF AN AIRPORT

Cessna 120:

This 1940s era Cessna 120 was used by the flight club in the 1950s and 60s. The plane had fabric wings and no flaps.



Board of Trustees approves new airport.

First airplane lands at airfield.



An excellent flying field is created:

Opening day, November 5, 1942. From left, Julius F. Stone, emeritus chairman of board of trustees, Dr. Howard L. Bevis, university president, Major George Stone, Civil Air Patrol, and Ohio Governor John W. Bricker.



Construction begins.

1942

1943

1945

1946

All-American honored: In November 1943, University Trustees name the new airport Don Scott Field in honor of the former All-American quarterback.



Flight Instruction at Ohio State:

In 1945, flight instruction begins. Ruth Gouthey is the first female flight instructor at KOSU (pictured in 1947). She will go on to become a founding member of the Columbus Chapter of the 99s, an organization of women pilots formed by Amelia Earhart.

Columbus Chapter of the 99s is formed.



1946: Aerial view of the Ohio State airport.

