

## Hangar of Hope

The new Wings of Hope hangar at Spirit of St. Louis Airport was dedicated last month. The organization provides humanitarian aid throughout the world such as medical air rescue and disaster relief.

## Wings of Hope Gets Hangar

A 9,600-square-foot airplane hanger was dedicated recently which will house aircraft for the St. Louis-based humanitarian organization Wings of Hope.

The \$300,000 structure is located at county's Spirit of St. Louis Airport. County Executive Gene McNary, commenting on the dedication, said: "We are highly pleased that Spirit of St. Louis Airport will be the world headquarters for Wings of Hope's worldwide

humanitarian work."

Wings of Hope was founded in 1962 by area businessmen to provide air transportation and radio communication equipment and services to the needy in remote parts of the world. It is nonprofit, nonsectarian supported by donations of money, aircraft, equipment and avoinics. Medical rescue and disaster relief work are its primary missions.

The dedication took place

June 19. Aircraft used by the organization was on display during the ceremony. Edward J. Schertz, a veteran Wings of Hope pilot, discussed missions undertaken by the organization in Peru, Paraguay and Central America.

Wings of Hope is currently making preparations to ferry a plane to the Sudan for work in refugee and starvation relief services. A plane is also being readied for work in Indonesia.