

# PIEDMONT PRESS NOTES



I NOT ONLY RECOMMEND... I DEMAND THE AIRPORT COMMISSION BE NOTIFIED IMMEDIATELY CONCERNING THIS RAMP DRAINAGE PROBLEM...

**CINCINNATI-F** — The holiday season is fast approaching and everyone is looking forward to the CVG Employees Club Christmas party, writes collaborating correspondents **Elaine Sturr** and **Bob Stepe**. This year it's to be held December 22 at the Holiday Inn. On the vacation scene **Terry O'Connell** just returned from short trips to St. Louis and Evansville, and **Charlene Seaver** took a tour of the West Coast. Cuba was the main topic among draft-age men, and in the recent reactivation **John Rohling**, CVG-M, was recalled to duty.

**BALTIMORE** — "A great loss is being felt in BAL this month," reports **Gary Schuman**, "with the transfer of Manager **Don Shanks** to DCA. I'm proud to say that through the 14th of November we've boarded almost 25,000 lbs. of air freight. We're shooting for 50,000. Everyone in BAL is anxiously awaiting the arrival of **Evelyn** and **Hank Eisenbath's** first child. Hank has already test driven the run to the hospital and we expect him to set a new course record. I'm happy to report that **Bob Gilley** is improving rapidly. In fact, Bob is getting in a couple of hours every few days at the airport now in order to get back in the groove."

**WINSTON-SALEM** — **Betsy Buford** acts as guest reporter this month, subbing for **Ray Bullard** who was in New York in connection with the March of Dimes program. Ray is this year's March of Dimes Forsyth County Chairman. A very successful October Furniture Market was reported from the Piedmont sales counter in High Point, N. C. The booth was manned by Sales Rep. **Andy Foster** and INT Manager **Jack Brandon**. The sudden death of **Roy Moser**, cab dispatcher at INT airport, was a shock to all who knew him, says **Betsy**. He was a part of the airport for many years.

**ASHEVILLE** — **Naomi McGuinn** reports on the AVL state of confusion: "**Dave Cameron** has changed the PX Plan to return within 30 days," she writes, "**Evon Whitacre** is making clear coffee, **Joyce Putney** is answering calls by saying 'Asheville Space Control,' and the office is expecting yours truly to ride her motor bike backwards to work one of these mornings!" **Ralph Jarvis** and **John Queen** were good elves and traveled to TYS to help out while they had their party.



Guess who department — are there any among you who know the name of this beardless youth, pictured here in a 1946 photograph unearthed by **Betsy Buford**? After you've made your bets, check the INT news. He's listed as this year's March of Dimes County Chairman.

**BLUEFIELD** — Everyone is shaking the bushes to make that elusive quota, says **Joe Roberson**. The Agents and their spouses finally had that hoped-for steak and as usual everyone had a good time. Vacations wound up with **E. E. Jones** going to LAX, JAX, TPA, PHL, and DCA. Joe stayed at home remodeling a just-bought house with hopes of moving in soon, and **Kent Moses** has been waiting, expecting soon to get an invitation from Uncle Sugar.

**MYRTLE BEACH** — "Agents coming and going has been the main event at MBC of late," writes **Gene Shore**. "Sorry to say we lost Agent **Bobby Butler** to the FAA in MEM as control tower operator." Agents **Dave McGregor** and **Jerry Gaither** gave up the sea shore for golf by transferring to SOP. New Agents joining Piedmont are **Bill Ray**, formerly with EAL in HTS; **Mike Bullard**, formerly stationed with the Air Force in MBC; and **Gene Anderson**, who is from MBC but used to be with Southern. Manager **Charles Dona-**

**hoo** and family recently went to the AVL mountains for plenty of rest. Gene says boardings are down slightly but believes this is due to half the Air Force Base moving out during the Cuban crisis.

**PARKERSBURG-MARIETTA** — A bulletin from PKB and marked for **Bob Reed** to especially note: During October Piedmont boarded 13,244 lbs. of air express and 37,842 lbs. of air freight for a total of 50,000 lbs. of cargo boarded. "Lots of sore backs and empty stomachs here," writes **Virg Flinn**. "Turby gives steak dinners for increase in passengers (hint, hint). Quote from **Vize Dotson**: 'Paul Loar and Virg Flinn made calls on air freight customers in October. Hope they call on passengers this month or we'll have to keep Paul here to help load it.' Glad to have **Don Shanks** and his wife here for a visit, and **Cliff Johnson** in from fixed base calling on local operators."

**ATLANTA-O** — A fine cookout was enjoyed by ATL supervisors when Manager **Bruce Parrish** invited them all to his home. Reporter **Tommy Young** reports the unhappy fact that his wife slipped in the carport of their new home and broke her collarbone. Contrary to rumor, says Tom, he didn't hit her. Two recent innovations there which the staff says are proving a blessing are the new porter service and a duplicator. Visitors are always welcome though you may have to put on your track shoes to keep up with the station crew.



And here's another well-fed group, posing after feeding on the filets in Bluefield. Registering post-dinner gastronomical gusto are (left to right) **Ed Best**, **Vize Dotson**, **R. E. Turbiville**, **Bill Grubbs**, **J. A. Lawrence**, and **Bob Reed**.

**GREENSBORO-HIGH POINT** — Cupid drew a bead on Agent **Bob Plummer** and he bit the dust by marrying the former **Florence Davis** November 2. Congratulations go to the **Ralph Cashatts** as they announce the birth of a seven lb. girl. Everyone's fine. "Station Manager **Vernon Moore** left to do some fishing in Tampa, Fla. waters," reports **Don Tate**, "but there were unofficial reports that he plans to take his little red rowboat on down to Castro land, as if Castro did not have enough trouble. All we at GSO can say is lots of luck to someone!"

**CHARLESTON** — This communique comes from **Ruth Shumate**: "CRW personnel have been busy moving to new abodes preparing for the long winter and the visit from ole Santa. The Hansons have moved to their new home in Teays Valley and held an open house. **Jim Bithisel** and family have purchased a roomy trailer with all the trimmings. **Jerry Young** has moved his spouse into a new house where they will be visited by the stork in December. The Abshires have moved to another house in Belle. The annual Christmas party is planned for December 15 in the airport Savrin Dining Room. **Charlotte Fuda** winds up the '62 vacations with a trip to LAX."

**PULASKI** — "We at PSK are proud to report that we went over our quota for October, the first time since the station opened," says **Glen Walters**, "this included cargo boardings of over 15,000 lbs. Our Chief Agent and reformed Tennessean, **Glen Shanks**, was presented his 10-Year Pin by President **Davis** at INT in October. Our Manager **Milt Ward** and Agent **Ronnie Price** are getting everything in line to do some deer hunting. They convinced their wives they really do need a few days away from home. We hope BLF weather breaks soon. If not we'll need an addition to the airport building to store their cargo. We wish a very speedy recovery for Agent **Dan Love's** wife who is in the hospital in RIC."

**SHENANDOAH** — SHD has been getting a beauty treatment par excellence, with the terminal building getting a sharp new coat of paint courtesy Piedmont personnel and the boys from Holliday Aviation. **Doelph Pitcock** has the ramp equipment shining, and there's been a resurfacing job done on the driveway and parking lot. The bowling team fell to second place, mourns **Roger Greenlaw**, but has high hopes of being on top again. Recent visitors include **Les Watson** and **Mitch Everhart**, **Dave Evans** of NAL, **Pete Ginter** of Luft-hansa, and **Bob Minard** of UAL.

**FAYETTEVILLE** — **June Greer** says their headline for the month is the marriage of Agent **Opal Taylor** to **Otto Kuger**, with congratulations to them both. The male Agents have really been giving their muscles a workout with the large amount of incoming and outgoing freight they've been hoisting. Doing a bit of globe trotting have been **Jane Fryar** to DCA and **Robert Bear** to LAX.

**LONDON-CORBIN** — **Jim Minnix** sends us this report from LOZ: "Manager **Roy Caldwell** and I joined LEX in a very fine steak dinner recently, with **Carl Simpson** and **Ted Arnold** working LOZ so we could attend. In return, Roy covered TYS so all employees could attend their dinner. Thanks to LEX for having us and to Carl and Ted for working. Over 20,000 people gathered at LOZ field a couple of weeks ago to hear former President **Ike** speak in behalf of Senator **Morton** (Morton won). This was no doubt the largest crowd ever to attend anything in eastern Kentucky. For the past five months, or since we finally had some industry located near, we have been enjoying good business both in passengers, air freight, and air express."

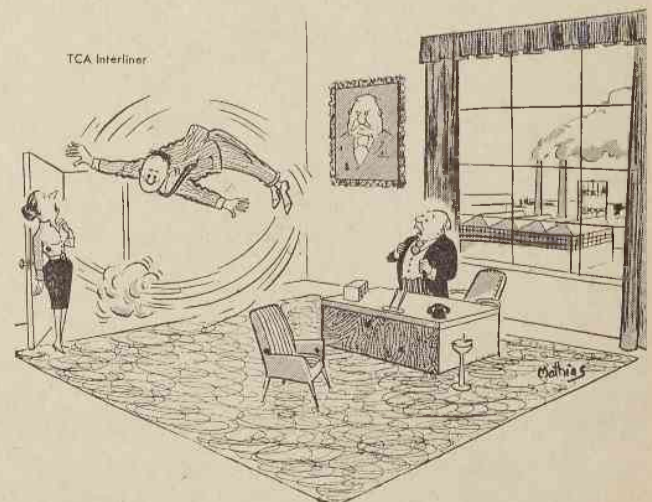
**RICHMOND** — The station looks like an Army base lately, reports **Marie Prillaman**, with plane loads of troops going to unknown destinations. A new Agent, **Kenneth Edwards**, is welcomed. He is from ROA and served six years with EAL before joining Piedmont. A new jet arresting cable was just installed by the Air Force on one of the runways and will be used for the AF jet practice.

**ATLANTA-R** — Our girl in Atlanta, **Peg Pequignot**, writes: "Although we missed our quota of 4800 last month the station was kept quite busy. Passenger boardings have shown a marked increase since the schedule change and with all the military troop movements we are confident we'll meet and exceed this month's quota. **Mary Strane** is a new employee in the res department. She was formerly a teller at the airport bank, and before her marriage was a stewardess with EAL. We had lots of visitors the past few weeks, among them **K. E. Ross**, **T. R. Cowen**, **W. A. Blackmon**, and **Cleta Covington**. **Gig Young**, the movie star, rode Flight 48 to INT and author **Erskin Caldwell** spent a few hours in the terminal. The entire staff extends their sympathy to **F/O Curt Ivey** whose father passed away recently.

**LYNCHBURG** — Assistant Manager **C. R. Blackmon** just returned from two weeks vacation. Didn't go anywhere much, just baby-sat at home so his wife could go to the hospital and have their new son, **Clarence Jeffry**, born October 19, five pounds, ten ounces. Buck fever has once more hit the station, according to **Frank Reynolds**, and it can now be indulged as hunting season is officially underway. Operations Agent **Bob Smith** has returned from a week's vacation playing golf.

**FLORENCE** — Reporter **Julian Morton** advises that FLO staff is about to get settled in their handling of EAL flights, "**Adams, Lewis**, and I transferred from INT-F to get to work one-engine stops after working ship changes and mechanicals at INT. Now we are right back in it. EAL has had three mechanicals here already and we can't cut one engine on their Convairs. We are enjoying our association with them, though, and feel we're doing a fairly good job. We welcome **Dave Baxley** to our staff at FLO. He came to us from EAL at Columbia. Also **Bill McKay**, another former Eastern Agent, has come along fast and is now checked out on most of our procedures. This reporter will be March of Dimes Director for Florence County in 1963. We don't have too many visitors — at INT-F we constantly had crew members and NRSA's. Now we want somebody to talk to, so come on down anytime. We welcome any of you."

**NEWPORT NEWS** — **Fred Smith** brings us up-to-date on the state of things at PHF, and writes that their new office space has finally been completed, and that now all they lack is a new ticket counter which should be ready soon. He also adds a "welcome aboard" to the newest face there in the form of Agent **James L. Carey**.



"Mr. Finchley, sales representative, Trans Parent Air Lines to see you, Sir John!"