PIEDMONT PRESS NOTES



...AND WE DO WANT YOU TO SOLICIT AIR FREIGHT... BUT PLEASE... BE DISCREET...

CHARLOTTE-F — CLT's biggest recent news comes from Dianne and Watson Furr, who just became the parents of a four-and-a-half-pound girl that Santa brought just a little early. Congratulations to all three. Barbara Rippy is substituting this month for vacationing Madge Lanier, who recently went 'way south to San Juan. The station has had some painting done recently and Manager John Newell says the Operations office wall looks like Hollywood and Vine with all the shoe prints on the newly-painted wall. The prints, says Barbara, come from ILM, ORF, INT and TYS, so, kind visitors, next trip bring your paint brush.

SOUTHERN PINES — The y're an optimistic group there, says **Dave McGregor**. "Our station started the season with a staff of three," he continues. "They were **E. G. Cooke, J. W. Gaither**, and yours truly. But now we have added an additional Agent, giving us the largest staff here in the history of the station. We welcome **R. M. Bradford** of INT to the Piedmont ranks. Just to be sure we keep our complement SOP boarded more passengers this November than any November since 1956, thanks to the cooperation of the local resort hotels, travel agencies, and the extra effort our boss has given to public relations. And here, we lowly Agents wish to congratulate our boss, Ezra Cooke, on his promotion to Chief Agent in Charge.

WASHINGTON - From DCA-CTO Peggy Sauser writes: "Dedication of the Dulles Airport was very successful with opening ceremonies being handled by President John F. Kennedy and former President D. D. Eisenhower and other dignitaries. Piedmont was well represented by a DC-3 special flight from Winston-Salem with top management and various members of their families attending. With the tremendous amount of work that had to be done for a successful Piedmont participation, **Bud Halsey** wishes to thank each and everyone who took part in our success. Jo Ann and Chuck (former Agent) Marginot just returned from a weekend in Paris, compliments of Air France's "Weekend in Paris for \$49." Kay Gateley who also took the Air France trip said she hated to come back. Jackie Hutcherson won the ticketing by mail contest, which entitles her to a roundtrip to Copenhagen via SAS. Marilyn Eastes, fans and all, just returned from her trip to the Orient. We turned our quota party into a combined "Quota and Going Away Party," with Bill Clark being guest of honor due to his recent promotion. We know that he'll make good use of the attache case which was presented to him.'

SHENANDOAH — A convention at Westinghouse boosted SHD's boardings considerably, says Roger Greenlaw, and with the holidays coming up looks as though totals will be tops. Mitch Everhart and Les Watson were recent visitors, and since the new marker went in they seem like one of the crew. Other visitors included Terry Freeman, AA Sales Rep., and John Faber from Air France.

CHARLOTTESVILLE - The Dick Mahn family has completed a full house — three girls and two boys - writes Libby Reed, with the arrival of Barbara Carol November 26. "Ken Lucas is our most closemouthed Agent," she continues, "having kept marriage to the lovely Agnes Fox secret from all since last spring. Bill Walker vacationed during football season and took in all home games and dances after. He should now be the best Twister on the system. Tommy Durrer bagged a deer on the first day of hunting season, and Don Pierce and his family are now in their new apartment in CHO. Your reporter vacationed on the interline tour of Germany with Lufthansa and the opening of the Christmas mart in Nuremberg and a sightseeing trip of East Berlin were among the many interesting things on the ten-day tour.'

ATLANTA-0 — Reporter Tommy Young and John Comer spent December 14 brushing up on their aviation knowledge by touring the ARTC center at Hampton, Ga. They termed it "truly a fantastic sight," and said they were warmly received and shown everything from top to bottom. "It is worth the time," says Tom-

my, "for every Agent to see this."

NORFOLK — This weather report comes from Bob Wylie: "We hope by the time this article reaches the press the very pleasant weather we've been having will be straightened out. For a ten-day period we had nothing but high winds and rain, and only one runway in use. The winds didn't get below 25 knots and the runway we had was the wrong one (80 degrees crosswind). None of the three carriers here were running any flights but we all became very proficient in operating a bus line. Congratulations to Don Holloman of ORF-M and wife on the arrival of a baby girl. At last report all are doing well, even Don. Hot news flash — after many years of struggling the Piedmont bowling team in ORF is in first place in the Midtown Commercial Duckpin League. We've been in first place before but only if you counted from the bottom up."

LYNCHBURG — Large congratulations go to Agent Lloyd Jones and missus on the arrival of their first child, a boy, weighing seven pounds, seven ounces. Mother and baby are fine but they're not sure about dad. Reservations Agent Charlotte Winfrey took a pre-Christmas vacation to get ready for Santa. Frank Reynolds notes the new tower and weather bureau at LYH will be ready for occupancy January 15. The United Fund gave LYH employees its Citizenship Award for their participation in the recent UF drive.

GREENSBORO — Don Tate titles this report, "Never Argue with a Customer," and says: "A passenger called GSO recently and requested a reservation on Flight 500 from INT to DCA. We suggested to the passenger that he might prefer Flight 42, a more direct flight leaving only seven minutes later. The passenger told us he wanted to see the country and preferred Flight 500 with more stops. We agreed that he had really chosen the right flight!"

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Old Office Rules

Ever catch yourself griping about not getting a long enough coffee break, or get out of sorts when the boss seems to be constantly looking over your shoulders? Well, pal, you don't know how lucky you are!

We reprint herewith the following which recently appeared in TCA's Between Ourselves. It concerns the rules of a certain office in the year 1872, to wit:

Office employees will daily sweep the floors, dust the furniture, shelves, and showcases . . . Each clerk will bring in a bucket of water and a scuttle of coal for the day's business . . . Clerks will each day fill lamps, clean chimneys, trim wicks, and wash the windows once a week . . . Make your pens carefully. You may whittle nibs to your individual taste.

This office will open at 8 a.m. and close at 8 p.m. daily except on the Sabbath, on which day it will remain closed . . . Every employee should lay aside from each pay a goodly sum of his earnings for his benefits during his declining years, so that he will not become a burden upon the charity of his betters . . . Men employees will be given an evening off each week for courting purposes, or two evenings a week if they go regularly to church.

Any employee who smokes Spanish cigars, uses liquor in any form, gets shaved at a barber shop, or frequents pool or public halls, will give me good reason to suspect his worth, intentions, integrity and honesty . . . The employee who has performed his labours faithfully and without fault for a period of five years to service, and who has been thrifty and attentive to his religious duties, is looked upon by his fellowmen as a substantial and law abiding citizen, will be given an increase of five cents per day in his pay providing a just return in profits from the business permits it.

Anybody still longing for the good old days?

CHARLESTON — The station's representative at the recent service pin luncheon was Carl Lipscomb, who received his Five Year Pin. Eastern Airlines communications will be closed there by January and most of the res. agents transferred to Chicago. CRW had a swingin' party December 15. Ruth Shumate describes it: "The Airport Cloud Room was beautifully decorated and had beautiful flowers - mums, carnations, roses - a gift sent by Cleveland Plant and Cut Flowers, a local wholesale flower dealer. Each lady attending was presented a dozen flowers in a bouquet to take home. A delicious steak dinner was served, and dancing until late hours finished the evening in great style." Girl watchers should keep an eye on CRW. Beauty queens from all over the state gathered there for the Miss Centennial contest. Five finalists were chosen and will be announced in April.

CINCINNATI-F — Our reporting team of Bob Steppe and Elaine Sturr sends this communique: "The

bowling team sure has improved recently. They moved from eleventh place to fifth place, just six games out of first. Everyone at CVG-F is wishing congratulations and yet a sad farewell to Chief Agent Sherl Brown as he will now assume the Station Manager's job at BAL. We will all miss Brownie. Debbie Tully, CVG-C, is the proud mama of a baby boy. A good time was had by all at our Christmas party. Agent Stan Gartner was Santa Claus and handed out our exchange gifts."

DANVILLE — In addition to meeting the hitheryon life of a fulltime airline Agent, Bill Pearman is also a part-time student at the DAN branch of Virginia Tech. In a unique vacation, Bill's spending most of his holiday preparing for and taking those final exams. Reporter Russell Price has just received word he'll be transferred to EWN in January. DAN has again met the passenger quota for the month, helped by former Eastern Agents Lee Jayne and Joe Burton, who are rapidly becoming familiar with Piedmont procedures. The new airport there is still getting compliments as a scenic and economic boost to the area.

MYRTLE BEACH — The MBC crew is still trying to recover from their Christmas party held December 15 at the Plantation House. Agents Gene Shore and Gene Anderson almost missed the Piedmont-Southern blast, since Flight 804 returned to the airport with an inoperative fuel pump. With the help of ILM mechanics the work was done and the flight left after two hours. "We wish to give thanks to the ILM mechanics," says Gene Shore, "for hurrying the maintenance job so we could make the party." MBC will soon lose Agent Billy Ray when he joins EAL at PBI. A welcome is extended to his replacement, Don Knight from PSK. He'd better remember to bring his water skis and leave the snow ones behind!

COLUMBIA — Hurry up and heal wishes go to Lead Agent John Lawrence, out recovering from a major operation. Kristen and Gary Callicoat received a holiday present in the form of Whitney Lynn, their new daughter. Joe Frick is spending a lot of time lately in DCA, writes Ashlyn Hammett, and Manager Bill O'Bryan, having returned from the management meeting, is prepared to fire up a new series of station meetings.

ROCKY MOUNT — During October the station was third highest in the system for air freight boardings, which must mean there's a fair share of sore backs in RMT now. Chief Agent Henry Minnick and spouse spent a deer-hunting week in Roanoke and Lynchburg, but unfortunately came back emptyhanded. Agents E. B. Fields and Wendell Gabriel and their families were the guests of Manager Frank Slone for Thanksgiving dinner. Frank also sends his thanks to the gang in HTS for the "private" Christmas party they held in his behalf. RMT has already had more than a 30 per cent increase in passenger boardings for the last six months over the same period last year, and are scanning memos for the official announcement of that steak dinner.

NEWPORT NEWS — Fred Smith says everyone there really has the Christmas spirit, especially Neal Dillon who was married December 1 to the former Kay Robertson. Congratulations are also extended to Agent Jim Carey and his wife on their new son, born November 16. PHF set a new record for November of 840 passenger boardings.

PARKERSBURG-MARIETTA — "Santa was real good to all the crew in PKB," writes Virg Flinn, "but Vize (Colt 45) Dotson can't understand why he didn't get the new pistol he wanted. Roy Roberts was on vacation the first week in December shovelin' snow. Our newly-wed Charlie Hall recommends married life to all single people. This was a good year for PKB. It was our best year yet in air freight, and the best year for passenger revenue since we started operations here. We're looking forward to an even better 1963."



Underwrite your country, says Connie Stevens, and buy
U. S. Savings Bonds.