

payroll deduction over a period of time, so that it will not have to be paid all at one time. All of us get a great deal in return from the services included in this campaign, in fact more than we realize. So when you are presented with a pledge card be sure to sign up for your full share.

- FROM THE MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT -

There have been several well deserved advancements this month. L. M. HOOVER is now Foreman. J. D. HOOTS has advanced to Lead Mechanic of Accessory Overhaul, W. B. ROBBINS and R. H. EASLEY made Lead Mechanics, and W. W. COOK moved up to Mechanic in Line Maintenance....The Annual Winterization program is progressing rapidly ahead of schedule. Most of the aircraft have had the de-icer boots repaired or replaced as needed. All Flight Crews are requested to report any cabin air leaks so that they can be corrected before Winter sets in. Also, any comments regarding the new heating systems on N 50322 and N 79029 will be appreciated.

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The following letter has been received from Lt. Col. G. W. Nevils, Commanding Officer of the 252 Marine Transport Squadron at Cherry Point, N. C.: "I would like to express my appreciation for the assistance rendered personnel of my command by Piedmont Airlines recently at Smith Reynolds Airport, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. We were impressed by the efficient manner in which the Piedmont Airlines Maintenance Section operates and the friendly attitude of your personnel. May I wish Piedmont Airlines good fortune in all its future operations."

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- LOUISVILLE -

We would like to welcome to our local Piedmont team Miss Dorothy Ann WALTHALL and Mr. George SHORE. Miss Walthall hails from Horse Cave, Kentucky, and Mr. Shore is a former member of the Engine Shop-INT. We are mighty glad to have them with us... Dick WITTSTOCK has re-joined us after his Summer travels. From the interesting tales he tells us we are all thinking about placing our bid for Vacation Relief work. You know - half your Summer in the Mountains, and the other half on the Coast - sounds nice!...Business is still good for us, too. Our trunkline friends have started cutting sharp eyes our direction lately. Believe our new type DC-3 with the built in lounge has started them wondering about us... Check your connections - SDF has 'em!

- NORFOLK - Don Reiger

September didn't offer events that could be classified as unusual... Everything was geared to the routine of time, regulated by the solar system and reminded of by the calendar... Six months flite checks - six month route checks - six month physical exams... Sept. also means the Autumnal Equinox, and the heavy rains (not predictable with the accuracy of astronomy) but usually a good active frontal system to make us spend extra time in the Weather Bureau studying after Summer's lull... The sun crosses the equator... The Northern Cross moves low in the Western sky... The Aurora Borealis is visible on clear nites, and the Westerly winds increase in velocity. Heaters are turned on. Mechanics remember the cold nites and working in the open...Pilots make more practice ILS approaches... Winter is getting ready to round the corner. Good houseparties are in the making. Pack an extra shirt and an extra twenty for unusual operations... Long rides to RIC to originate 31 when the Coast folds... Smiling