

Johnny Lewis learned to fly in Gastonia, N. C., in 1937, and was soon operating a Fixed Base operation. He joined Piedmont in 1941 as an Instructor and was one of the first Private Pilot Examiners ever designated by the CAA. He worked with the CAA and the RFC until 1945, when his career was interrupted by the Army. He joined Piedmont as Station Manager in 1947 in Greensboro, Winston-Salem, Wilmington and back to Winston-Salem where he went into Flight Control in 1949. Johnny is a relief dispatcher now since his promotion to Supervisor of Ground Operations.

Johnny Webster hails from Spartanburg, S. C. In 1933, Johnny started selling tickets for a barnstorming outfit, and in 1936, became an Airways Weather Observer with the Weather Bureau, leaving to go with Eastern in 1937. He began as an agent in Spartanburg, moving to New Orleans, Chicago, Memphis, and Miami, where he became Station Manager in 1941. He joined PAI in 1948 as Station Manager in Louisville, transferring to Winston-Salem as Station Manager, and becoming a Dispatcher in 1952.

The Dispatchers are assisted by a staff of Junior Dispatchers, Frank Perry, Herm Kitchen and Ted Gray. Frank was Station Manager at DAN, LYH, LEX and TYS. Herm was Station Manager at MRH and SOP. Ted was Chief Agent at GSO. The boys have all been in the Flight Control Office since 1952.

NEW CHIEF INSPECTOR

To fill the vacancy created by the resignation of A. W. Tompkins, L. H. Jackson has been appointed to the post of Acting Chief Inspector.

The Piedmont's congratulations to Jack on his promotion, and our best wishes to Ace for success in his new job.

MAY FIVE YEAR PINS

Edward J. Wisnieski - Louisville
 Jack C. Kelly - Charleston
 John D. West - Charlotte



CHIEF PILOT GETS JET TRAINING

Due to the ever-increasing numbers of jet-powered aircraft being integrated into the Air Traffic Control picture, USAF is currently sponsoring a familiarization program for the senior pilots of the various airlines, so that they may be made aware of jet operational problems. Representing Piedmont was Captain Frank Nicholson, System Chief Pilot, who last week received T-33 training at Moody AFB, Valdosta, Ga. In the class with Frank were nine AF Colonels, a Rear Admiral, and a National Airlines Chief Pilot.

Beginning Monday, June 7, Frank experienced 15 hours ground school and ten hours ship time. Most of the course consisted of jet instrument training, with the last day being devoted to a round-robin cross country. Naturally, Frank had the time of his life, and returned sounding vaguely like G-8 and his Battle Aces.

Frank and Zeke Saunders matched for the assignment, but, unfortunately for Zeke, Frank hasn't been out-flipped in years and won handily.

A gossip's a person who will never tell a lie if the truth will do as much damage.

--Galen Drake

BRIDAL PATH

Clarence Blackmon, Jr., FAY Agent, engaged to Patricia McLaurin, also of FAY.

Howard Martin, ORF Radio, engaged to Mary Hester King of IMN.

HITCHED

Joan Craft, CVG Agent, and Don Moore.

T. E. Robinson, Airline Maintenance INT and Evelyn McBride of Lewisville.

STORK CLUB

Warren Lynch, INT Sheet Metal Shop, a son, Kevin Lawson, born May 30.

Stan Brunt, INT Chief Purser, a son, David, born June 9.

Ray Emanuelson, ORF First Officer, a girl, Karen Ann.

J. W. Berryhill, IMN First Officer, a son, Joseph Arthur, born May 30.

SHEET METAL SHOP

The season for adventure and high living, the sun's out and the fish are biting! Yours truly already has a hornet sting in the foot! George Ketner has just spent a weekend in South Carolina, fishing with happy results, and is now contemplating a boat motor. Clyde Ennis and Paul Davenport have purchased a J3 and have just completed the thrill of their lives, ferrying it across the mountains from Pughtown, W. Va., to INT. With negative compression, they had to almost flap their own wings to help it over the bumps. Harvey Huls and his Mrs., tanned and fit, returned from a week of touring through Florida. Harvey comments on the gas at 25 cents and the 'scenery' on the beaches. Marvin Baugess is on his way next week to check on that. Warren Lynch spends his vacation next week changing diapers.

K. C. Whapham