

## ACCESSORY SHOP HAS HARD MONTH

The Accessory Shop got off to a rough start in 1955, but seems to be recovering nicely. To begin with, Tom Miller suffered a heart attack on New Year's Eve, but is coming right along now. Then M. W. Graham wound up with such a cold that it gave him a serious eye infection. At last report, he'll be leaving City Hospital soon. C. K. Lane has had a bad time with glandular fever and is still out. Hurry back C. K. One break was the return of Whisenhunt after a bad asthma attack.

Fixed Base has been giving Accessory Overhaul plenty of work to do, and the boys in the shop are mighty glad to see the work rolling in - and out. When the ailing members return, there will be loads of activity in the "shop among the rafters"

## ABOUT OUR COVER

Had Messrs. Cartwright, Davis, and Rehder known exactly why their pictures were taken recently, we would have had a battle on our hands. But in all seriousness, an aircraft (?) like the one these worthy gentlemen are riding would solve many problems.

For example, take fuel. Piedmont now burns several millions of gallons of gas yearly, at great expense, but if all that were needed was an "Abracadabra!" and a hearty "Heigh Ho Silver!", we certainly would be able to cut costs.

Then take Maintenance, flying carpet fans. Since there are no moving parts, there would be little need for mechanics, and even less for Cartwright, Davis, and Rehder. But fortunately for us, since they are three pretty nice guys, the flying carpet manufacturers are working on long range, superpersonic equipment, and are paying little or no attention to a DC-3 replacement.

The lady bringing up the rear is shown in her usual attitude, typing and riding herd on her three bosses. Since Piedmont just wouldn't be the same without Dixie, we're awfully glad that the carpet makers haven't

## 7 YEARS WITHOUT MISSING



W. C. Harpe

Way back on January 19, 1948, W. C. Harpe of Accessory Overhaul reported to work for the Airline Division, and every day since that unforgettable morning, Harpe's shining morning face has been seen at work. Not only has he not been absent since the beginning, but has only been late six times. Harpe credits his achievement to two factors, excellent health and a real interest in his job, and if his health holds out, he thinks he can duplicate his feat.

as yet found the answer. The Piedmontor's apologies and best wishes to all four of you.

What really brought this on was the departure of our Arabian Point Four student, Mohammed Abdullah Al Quaiz. When Moe left, he presented John Rehder with a beautiful Moslem prayer rug. We asked John to pose seated on the rug for a flying carpet picture, but John, being a little publicity-shy, declined. So we took this means of getting even with the Maintenance Office. If we have trod on any toes, we're not a bit sorry.

It's said there's pleasure in pain, if so, many a taxpayer will die laughing.

## INTRODUCING . . .



Joseph E. "Shorty" Roy

A 5 foot 1 inch Bundle of Dynamite is Engine Build-up's "Shorty" Roy. Born in the whaling city of New Bedford, Mass., Shorty first worked as an apprentice jockey, but finding the life too restrictive, tried his hand at other fields. He went through CCC in 1939, MC'd floorshows, and in 1942, joined Army Air Corps.

Uncle Sam made a mechanic of Shorty, sent him to India. He continued to MC Army shows, returned to the States, did a show with Bob Hope and Frances Langford. He pulled duty in Greensboro where he met the girl he was to marry in 1946. He came back to this area after the war, worked for Hanes and Duplan, went back to Massachusetts, came back to Winston and joined Piedmont in 1952.

Starting as a Junior Mechanic, Shorty worked in Engine Build-up. The little guy is the life of any party, as anyone at the Christmas party can attest. Shorty is married, has 2 daughters, Valerie Joan, 5, and Patty, 7. He's more or less of a camera bug, spends most of his time off just being friendly with people. This is one Damsyankee who is a real credit to himself and to Piedmont. The Piedmontor is glad to have you meet our person of the month, Shorty Roy.