

NEWS FROM THE HANGAR

Two boys, both Supervisors, had mechanicals this month. George Hendrix and Clyde Saylor are in City Memorial hospital. Neither one has sent any teletypes for parts so guess they will make repairs soon and be back on schedule. Hope so, life can be pretty tedious without those fellows.

Approval was recently granted for a second engine run on engine accessories which is a definite compliment to the work being done during overhaul and after they are installed. We are also doing our major inspection at 400 hours instead of 300 hours. This too amounts to a compliment to the Maintenance and Inspection Departments and the excellent care they take of our fleet. All of this amounts to a considerable saving. Keep up the good work fellows the whole airline industry is watching.

Most of our executive customers have been in this month again for inspections and repairs. Awful glad to see you fellows come in and sure do enjoy talking to you.

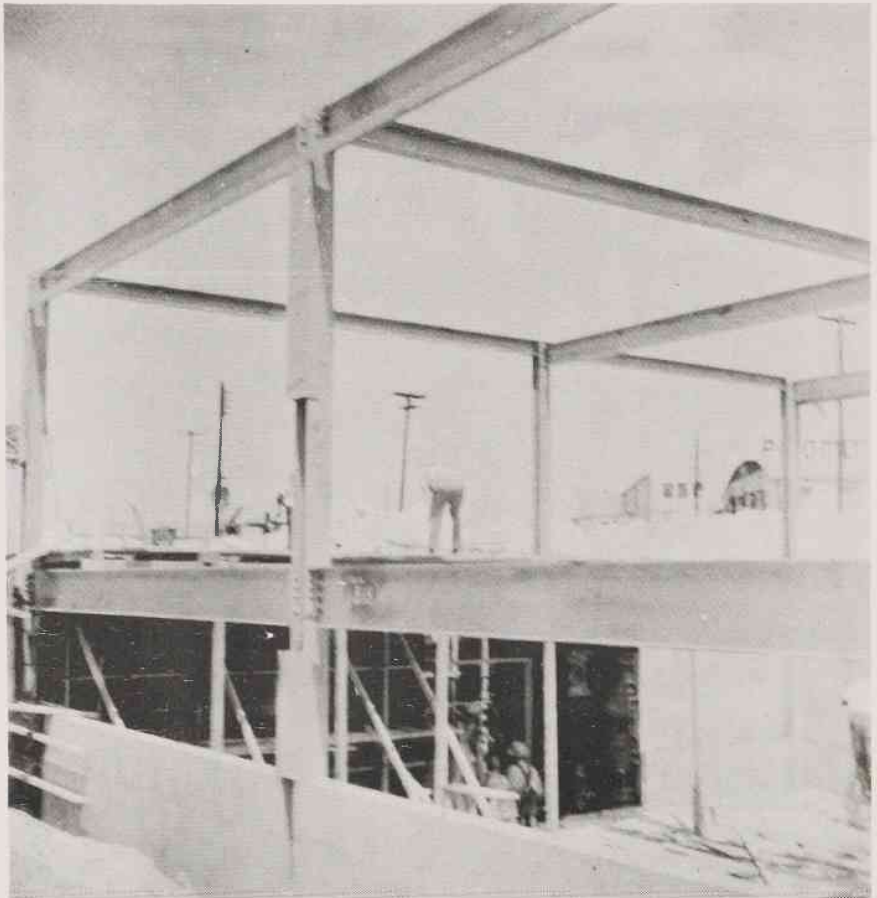
John Rehder is looking high and low for turtle food. If anyone knows of a good turtle diet please contact him at once. The diet must be suitable for an airborne long distance turtle. Also, please include a dictionary for pronunciation purposes

AN APOLOGY

With no excuse to offer, The Piedmontor places tongue in cheek and proffers Joe Fix, INT-M, a heart-felt apology. How it happened, we don't know, but we completely overlooked the birth of Joe's son, Andrew Cooper Fix, born on February 14, 1955. We were informed of Master Fix's debut, but somehow we managed to lose the slip. Our apologies, Joe, we're mighty sorry.

Mrs. Newbride (sobbing)! T-t-tom, I've baked such a nice cake for you today and the cat ate it!"

Mr. Newbride (gratefully): "Don't fret, Dear, I'll buy you a new cat tomorrow!"



GOING UP !!

To us barracks-dwellers, the sight of the concrete, steel and brick edifice rising from the ground on the northwest side of Liberty Street extension is a glimpse of paradise. And it is rising! At the moment, the most visible progress has been made in the office building, but since these pictures were made, the hangar has started to come out of the ground. We have a bet on that we'll be in the office in December. What's your opinion?

PAI WINS SAFETY AWARD

Piedmont's excellent industrial accident record won recognition April 26, when the North Carolina and U.S. Departments of Labor presented an award to the Company in recognition of having no lost time from work in 1954 due to on-the-job accidents. The award was received for the Company by H. M. Cartwright, J. A. Rehder, and D. R. Willard.

A summary of accidents occurring in 1955 to date shows a marked reduction over last year, proof that our safety program is paying off. The total accident rate is 40% under 1954, with hangar accidents, where

the greater part of the safety program is concentrated, down 53%. In fact, Maintenance accidents are down now to the total of all other departments, an enviable record.

Much of the credit for the reduction in hangar accidents is due to the stress placed on the use of safety protective equipment, and Maintenance is looking forward to the day when we have no further problem with people being hurt.

St. Peter: "Where are you from, son?"

Man: "I'm from Texas, sir."

St. Peter: "Well, come on in son, but you ain't gonna like it here."