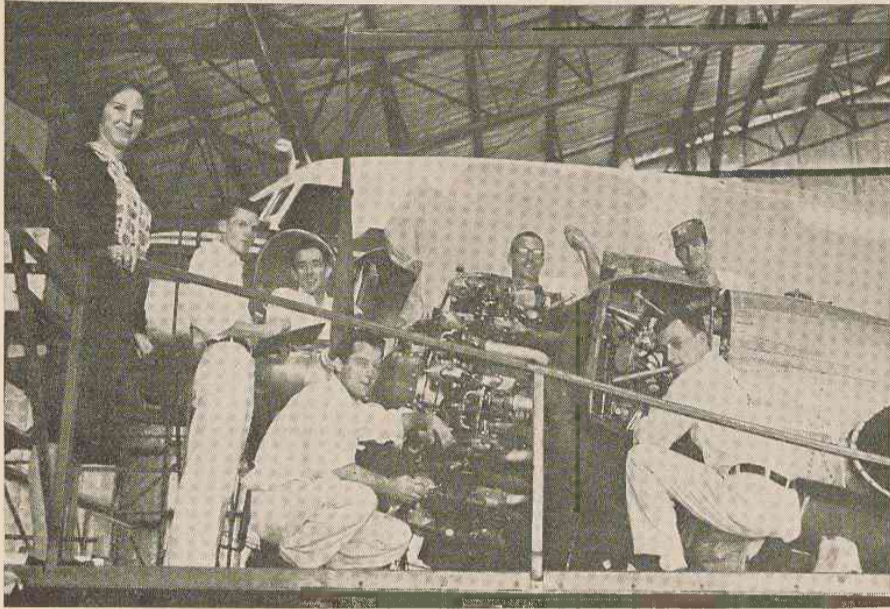


# A Look Inside The New ROA Hangar



Attractive secretary Audrey Callahan adds distaff interest to this group shot of some of the ROA maintenance crew. From left to right (standing) are: Miss Callahan, T. E. Alley, W. R. Taylor, Roy Raines, B. G. Minter, (kneeling) Kenneth Atkinson, and D. E. Collins.

## Officially Opened Last Month

Piedmont's new maintenance hangar was dedicated last month with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and luncheon attended by the area's city and aviation dignitaries.

At the opening ceremony Roanoke Mayor Willis M. Anderson welcomed Piedmont and cited the hangar as an example "that government and industry can work together toward suitable ends and mutual advantage."

President T. H. Davis expressed appreciation for the warm reception given the company, and at the luncheon said, "This project has been underway for three years in its planning and building.

"I don't know of any community we've ever served which has extended to us the cooperation and enthusiasm that Roanoke has. It has been encouraging and heartwarming and we are grateful."

The four-foot-long scissors used by Mayor Anderson and President Davis to cut the ribbon have been used to open various transportation projects in Virginia since 1928. This was the first time they were used to open a facility connected with aviation, the other dedications being concerned with highway openings.

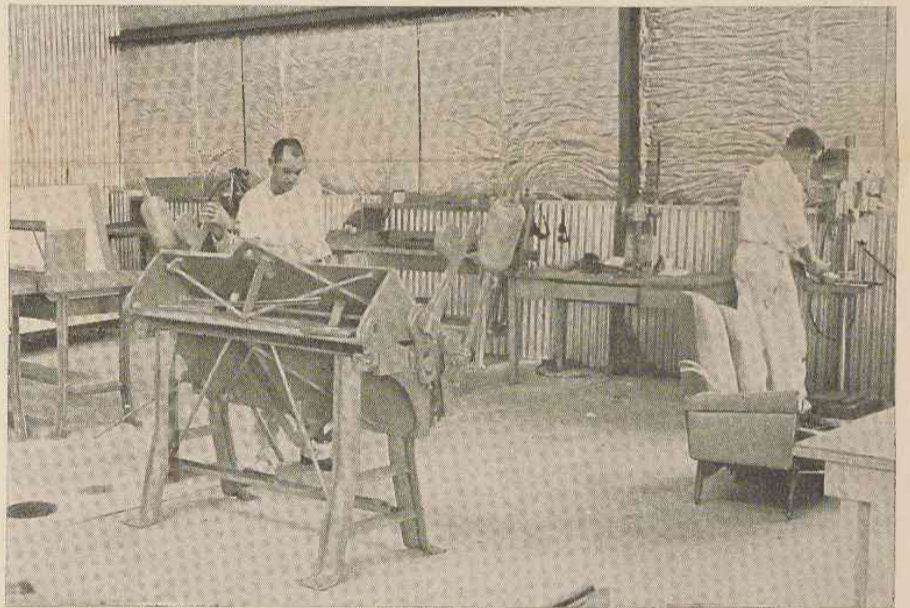
Following the luncheon, guests were taken on F-27 scenic flights over Roanoke Valley.

The hangar itself measures 200 by 165 feet, with the maintenance shops and offices covering an additional 40 x 200 feet.

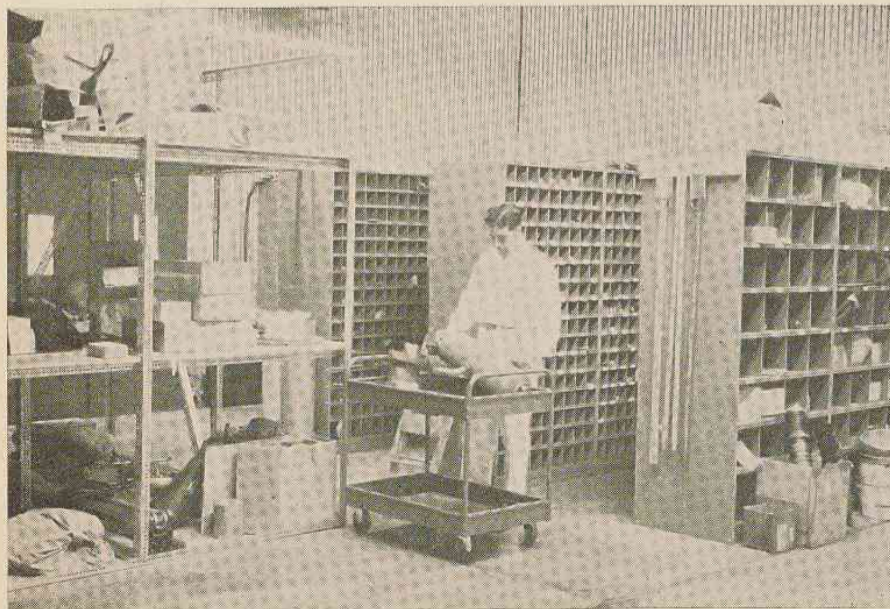
The shiny substance seen on the building walls in some of the photographs is insulation, equal to about a 12-inch masonry wall. The structure has an all-aluminum siding exterior.



The Radio Shop—T. W. Holton (right) and J. F. Russell. Russell was on temporary duty from Winston-Salem.



The Sheet Metal Shop—Ralph Evans (left) and H. E. Manuel are shown putting some of the shop's new equipment to use.



The Stock Room—Richard Caudle works in a portion of the stock center at ROA.



The hangar has been in full operation since August 1. The extra facilities will ease the load at the INT base and make possible more work on corporate and executive aircraft.