

★ Awards

★ Owls



Tommy Young is shown receiving the award for his selection as Charlotte "Agent of the Year." Giving Young his trip to Rome plus fifty dollars cash is Ed Porter, Delta City Sales Manager and past Chairman of the Airlines Progress Committee. The new Chairman (right) is Piedmont's Don Edmondson, District Sales Manager.



Whoooo do you think won when this owl and a DC-3 tried to clobber each other? Capt. V. C. Brunelle holds the owl (now stuffed—he lost) prior to placing it with other collections. Brunelle and F/O Johnny Jones were landing Flight 383 at SHD when the owl, blinded by the aircraft lights, took off just in time to collide with the nose of the DC-3. The airplane had a dented nose, the owl, a broken neck. (Photo by Donna Brown, DCA.)

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★ In-flight tape



Le bullseye marks le aeroplano espanol on these DC-3's currently being readied at INT-M for the Spanish Air Force. The total number of Threes to be converted by Piedmont into military transports has not been announced, but three have already been delivered, and four more are waiting for the re-vamping job.



That Rube Goldberg-looking device that Engineering Liaison F. L. Sfreddo is demonstrating to secretary Barbara Trivette serves a very serious purpose. It's name is a Data Redoubt Unit, and its function is to aid in the reading of tapes from in-flight recorders now installed on all F-27's. The tape, made from fire resistant stainless steel, shows altitude, air speed, compass heading, and vertical acceleration. The information is kept for 60 days. If there is an accident within that period the FAA uses the tapes to help determine the probable cause.