

# PIEDMONT PRESS NOTES

**PARKERSBURG-MARIETTA**—Wood County Airport had its first annual Christmas party recently at St. Mary's Hunting Lodge, which is situated on a mountain top near the airport. Personnel from all local travel bureaus, the Air Express Company, Post Office, fixed base operators, and the airline stations were invited. According to **Virg Flinn** it was the first such party there and was a great success. **Don Shanks** served as host along with **Bob Cushman** of the local FAA office and did so well that PKB is already looking forward to the next one. Two staffers there have been doing their duty for Uncle Sam recently with **Charlie Hall** serving two weeks with the Air Force Reserve and **Gary Schuman** in the Army. "We in PKB wish you all a Merry Christmas," says Virg., "and a Martin 404 New Year."

**NEW BERN** — Vacations for the year were finished up during the last two months at EWN writes **Bill Downs**. **Dave Morrison** and son **Jody** took in a world series baseball game back in October and **Larry Wall** and family visited Williamsburg, Va., RDU, and Smithfield, N. C. Last month **Bill** and his missus took a trip to Nassau, ditto **Larry Smith**. On November 28 another girl was born to **Margaret** and **Larry Wall**.

**WINSTON-SALEM** — Secretary **Betty Fulp** recently set what might well be a record for high bowling score in the Lunchtime League. **Betty** clobbered the pins for a high game of 222. Work is progressing on the new storage warehouse adjacent to the hangar — it'll be used for storage on Martin 404 parts and equipment. In the rest of the buildings the atmosphere is on the frantic side with everyone trying to cope with Martins and the holidays at the same time. INT Station Manager **Jack Brandon** welcomes **Tom Adams** and **Max Tatum** to the station as Agents. Both are former Flight Attendants and **Brandon** says they're doing a fine job. He also adds holiday greetings from the INT crew.

**ROANOKE** — Piedmont, along with Air Cargo, Inc., November 26th, presented a certificate to **Earl A. Hunter** in recognition of his service to air freight. The certificate read: "Honoring a Decade of Air Freight Service. This certifies that **Earl A. Hunter** on November 26, 1961, completed ten years of dependable and meritorious service to the aviation industry and to the shippers and receivers of air freight throughout the United States, thereby contributing to the growth and expansion of the transportation of property by air, the encouragement and development of foreign and domestic commerce, and of the national defense."

**WASHINGTON** — Writes **Farrell Lee**, "People here in Washington really go for winter vacations. **Marilyn Eastes**, Senior Communications Operator, has returned from a 17-day tour, having visited six different countries. **Marilyn** and her mother, plus 16 other airline employees, left from New York by jet on the TWA vacation tour. One of the most thrilling sights was to see the Queen and the Royal Coaches in London, says **Marilyn**. As for her mother, she now believes dreams do come true. Mechanic **Jim Anderson** and family spent their vacation in Pennsylvania. **Jim** likes to hunt turkey there but had no luck. Others taking vacations are **Gene Fox** and **Todd Currence**.

"From the personnel here in DCA to our fellow employees we would like to share this poem in wishing everyone a Merry Christmas: P—is for the pioneers who founded this our line; I—is for the interest shown from patrons time to time; E—is for the effort great we all have tried to show; D—is for distinction wherever Piedmont may go; M—is for mentality our department heads must share; O—is for outstanding, far beyond compare; N—is for the new things we seek, whether they be great or small; T—is for the top of the list, Piedmont, best of all."

**TRI-CITIES** — "TRI has certainly had a few changes this past month," notes **Susan DeMarco**. "We are happy to announce that **Bill Hamilton** is now our new District Sales Representative — although we do hate to let DCA have **Bud Halsey**. Also, Agent **Glenn Shanks** is now Lead Agent in Reservations. Besides all this we are getting **Carolyn Pearson** back from TYS, which calls for a celebration. To celebrate all these goings on we planned our Christmas party for December 18."

**ASHEVILLE** — **Naomi McGuinn** just got back from a "real cool" vacation in Alaska and after catching up a bit sends this word on the latest AVL events: "It was a pleasure having **Bob McAlphin** and **Pete Jones** as guests at our station meeting December 5. We would like to welcome two new employees, **Jeri Bly** and **Betty McGuinn**. They will be working in our fabulous CTO which will be opening soon. Congratulations to **Evon Whitacre** on winning two hams at a turkey shoot during Thanksgiving. It was quite a thrill for her to out-foot her husband, **Bill**.

"Our Manager, **Jack Gwennap**, likes the Volkswagen so much he just had to get a gray '62 model. The features he likes so well are that he can travel miles on a spoonful of gas, and to inflate the tires he just coughs in them. **David Smith** joined the gang and purchased a '62 Corvair. Among recent vacationers were **Jack Gwennap**, **David Cameron**, and **Eddie Gabriel**. **Jack** wagoned up to Parkersburg while **David** and **Eddie** relaxed at home. We would like to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

**HUNTINGTON** — **Irene Blake** says the big news at HTS recently was their Christmas party which was a great success. "I'd like to take this opportunity," says **Irene**, "to thank Roanoke and Charlottesville Agents for being so nice in helping me to be able to spend Thanksgiving in New England."

**SHENANDOAH** — Their bowling team is still in the cellar, moans **Bill Pearman**, but one night they did beat the number one team two out of three games. "Big Daddy" **Lipscob** bet all Piedmont bowlers a steak that they couldn't win a single game. **Bob** lost and all the bowlers are about as satisfied as if they were in first place. Recent visitors to SHD include: **E. W. Larson**, Aeronautical Radio, Inc.; **Wolfgang Schoenwandt**, Lufthansa German Airlines; **Robert G. Minard**, United Airlines; and **Ed Best**, LYH.

**ROCKY MOUNT** — **Frank Slone** writes: "As I have stated many times before, Rocky Mount is a very friendly city. The latest to verify this is Agent **E. B. "Bo" Fields**. He was married November 18 to the former **Joan Cox**, a RMT girl. The best of luck and happiness to you both. We are eagerly awaiting the arrival

of the New Year and the hopes of what it will mean for us and Piedmont. A decision on the Piedmont Area Case and the scheduling of the Martin 404, just to mention a couple. We'd like to take this opportunity to wish each and every Piedmonitor a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Joyous New Year."

**GREENSBORO-HIGH POINT** — Vacations there for '61 have come to an end. **Gene Shore** recently returned from California and Nevada where he tried his luck at the casinos. His only comment was that casinos are nice but terrible on the pocket book. Agents **Richard Smith** and **Lyle Cox** went on a deer hunt last month in Western North Carolina but unfortunately the only thing they caught was the flu. Manager **Vernon Moore** spent a few days fishing in Florida but he caught so many fish he had to throw them back so there would be some left for the other tourists. Agent **C. R. Blackman** spent his days back in his hometown of **FAY**. GSO newcomer **Ralph Cashatt** is welcomed. Everyone has been getting his exercise lately with all the cargo GSO has been handling since trunk service was discontinued at INT. Last month a total of 29,725 pounds in freight, mail, and express were handled.



"...CHARLIE... DON'T FORGET, WE GO OUT THE AFT DOOR ON THIS EQUIPMENT..."

**NORFOLK** — "Norfolk's bowling team just couldn't stand prosperity," writes **Bob Wylie**. "A few short weeks ago they were in a two-way tie for first place (the first time in four years, we might add) and then the bottom fell out. They are now tied for fourth place." **Bob Wyle** had an unusually good night last month when he bowled a high duck pin league game of 182 and a high league set of 411. Other team members are **Bill Halsey**, **Paul Wyatt**, **Charlie Cross**, **Otis Barnett** (NAL), **Carey Lindsay**, and **J. C. Hamlett** (UAL). New Reservations Agent **Karen Kingsley** took the fatal step in November and got married. The ORF crew sends their congratulations to **Karen** and her new spouse.

**COLUMBUS** — This word comes from reporter **Shirley Sword**: "**Mike Hollern** recently was a special guest of the Navy in PHF when the Enterprise was commissioned. **Ray Campbell** and his wife **Betty** have just moved into a new home, and **Ray** says the only bad thing will be shoveling his way out when the snow starts this winter. **Bert Carlos** won a turkey for his Thanksgiving dinner by signing 245 in the airport league. Station Manager **Bill Cash** just signed on the dotted line for a new home. The CMH Agents were all kept pretty busy this past month. We held a contest to see how many times we could get Flight 98 out on time. We didn't win the contest but we have a very good record with only three delays recorded for the month. How's that for a record! Yours truly and hubby **Orval** recently returned from a whirlwind trip to Los Angeles for the weekend and about the only thing we didn't have time to do was sleep. We also flew down to INT to see our fabulous Buckeyes beat Wake Forest in basketball."

**BLUEFIELD** — BLF staffers are looking forward to the coming of the Martins, according to **Ted Farrington**. Says **Ted**, "They will create a new mode of transportation for this area, since it will introduce to our station the many wonderful features such as pressurization, speed, and many other features which we were unable to acquire through the introduction of the F-27. As most crew members can verify this section has many air enthusiasts who jam the airport on Sundays just to watch the flights. I can imagine the throngs of area residents who will voluntarily visit the airport for the first several Martin flights."

"A bond issue was voted on recently in Mercer County which would allow the county to improve the airport facilities and extend our runway to 5,100 feet. The vote was a landslide and surveyors are already at work. **Kent Moses** says he would love to stay around and help us figure out the Martin forms but Uncle Sam might want to familiarize him with various military devices. **Kent** is now waiting on his final call which he expects sometime in January or February."

## WATLINGTON ELECTED . . .

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the National Conference of Christians and Jews, Regional Campaign Chairman for the American Red Cross, and President of the Winston-Salem Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Watlington and his wife and two children make their home in Winston-Salem.

## INT FIGURES . . .

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trucks a week running between Winston-Salem and Roanoke carrying company material we couldn't handle due to the amount of revenue cargo we have."

"We'd like to thank all the people who've helped us, especially the crew in ROA who have had to transfer the Norfolk-bound comat."

## Congrats

### 15 YEARS SERVICE

**Johnny Lewis**, Dispatcher, INT, December 1

### 10 YEARS SERVICE

**James A. Wilson**, Ld. Cleaner, INT, December 3

**Lester G. Brown**, Sr. Spec., INT, December 6

**Homer G. Carter**, Ld. Mech., INT, December 10

**Joe Z. Christenbury**, Inspec., INT, December 10

**Robert V. Davis**, Inspec., INT, December 10

**Lewis H. Hand**, Spec., INT, December 10

**Ray D. Satterfield**, Sta. Chf. Mech., INT, December 10

### 5 YEARS SERVICE

**Irene Blake**, Agt., HTS, December 1

**Madeline Lanier**, Agt., CLT, December 1

**John W. Yates**, Stockrm Clrk., INT-FB, December 1

**Gerald W. Barger**, Agt., RIC, December 10

**Verne B. Crisp**, Agt., RDU, December 24

**Paul W. Swaim, Jr.**, Spec., INT, December 26

**Samuel H. Crosby**, Cleaner, INT, December 26

## Around The System

### PROMOTIONS

**J. L. Miner** to F/O

**V. P. O'Brien** to F/O

**L. R. LaFollette** to F/O

**A. J. Carnera, Jr.** Mech. to Mech.

**R. E. Raines**, Mech. to Sr. Mech.

**N. C. Noah, Jr.** Spec. to Spec.

**C. E. Hester**, Mech. to Sr. Mech.

**W. A. Foster**, F.A. to Sales Rep., INT

**W. H. Widener**, Ld. Agt. DCA to Asst. Crew Coordinr., INT

### TRANSFERS

**Carolyn A. Pearson**, TYS to TRI

**Max Tatum**, F.A. to Agt., INT

**Tom Adams**, F.A. to Agt., INT

### NEW EMPLOYEES

**Lee Roy Boone**, Agt., Oper., DCA

**Robert M. Bullock**, Agt., Oper., DCA

**Walter E. Burcham, Jr.** Radio Tech., INT

**Ronald E. Kelly**, Agt., Oper., CVG

**Karen F. Kingsley**, Agt., Res., ORF

**Rebecca Mims**, Agt., Res., DCA

**Olin Robinson, Jr.** Stk Clrk., ROA

**Donald W. Tate**, Agt., Oper., GSO

**Durward L. Atkins, Jr.** Mech., INT

**Harvey D. Campbell, Jr.** Mech., INT

**McDonald F. Everidge, Jr.** Mech., INT

**Harry L. Joyce, Jr.** Mech., INT

**Thomas B. King, Jr.** Spec., INT

**Kenneth G. Lawson, Jr.** Spec., INT

**Alfred G. Macemore, Jr.** Mech., INT

**Max A. Sinclair, Jr.** Spec., INT

**Romie B. Thomasson, Jr.** Mech., INT

**James C. Ward, Jr.** Mech., INT

**Douglas C. Milgrim**, Mech., ROA-FB

**Charles R. Elliott, Jr.** Radio Tech., INT

**Lawrence G. Brooks**, Agt., GSO

**Ralph E. Cashatt**, Agt., Oper., GSO

**Ranson D. Sasser**, Mech., INT

**Shannon K. Stevens**, Agt., Res., DCA

**Jerry E. Way**, Ramp Agt., PHF

**John E. Dail**, Agt., ORF

**Danny Hicks, Jr.** Stk. Clrk., INT

**Thomas J. Kennedy**, Ground School Instr., ORF

**James C. Lawson**, Charter Pilot, INT-FB

**Betty A. McGuinn**, Agt., AVL

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