

PIEDMONT PRESS NOTES

CHARLESTON — It's been a cold, cold time in CRW lately, with some of the Agents getting stuck at the bottom of the airport hill and having to walk to work in ten below weather. The **Jim Birthisel** family has a new son to boast of, reports **Ruth Shumate**. CRW is looking forward to their steak dinner, having missed so many times before by just a slight margin. They're also looking forward to the schedule changes and having a Martin on Flight 2 and 5 instead of a DC-3. As has been noted before, this is the year of the West Virginia Centennial, and to help celebrate, one of the new 404's will carry the dates of West Virginia statehood and the state's name. High state officials will participate in a ceremony to christen the new airplane.



ATLANTA-O — Agent **Tommy Young** recently visited a number of stations on the system including AVL, TRI, CLT, and INT, and after cordial greetings discussed ATL operations with the staffs. Agent **B. R. Britt** just returned from out west where he practiced up on his sky diving. Chief Agent **W. A. Comer** and his family are under the weather, and get well wishes are sent to all.



KNOXVILLE — **David Anderson** has been assigned reporter duties, replacing **Carl Simpson** who has gone to LOZ to relieve **Jim Minnicks**. Jim is ill and best wishes are extended for his speedy recovery. "Personnel at the TYS station extended congratulations to Manager **T. F. Arnold**," writes David, "on his 15th anniversary with Piedmont. He started on February 1, 1948. **Barbara Ironside**, second prize winner in the Piedmont-TWA contest, has chosen as her destination SFO, returning to TYS via LAX. Upon her return she'll be taking an extended vacation to await the stork. Congratulations go to Capt. **Pete Dickens** and his wife on the birth of a second daughter, **Elizabeth Grayson**. Looks as if TYS will soon be boasting of another **Sammy Snead** in Agent **Harold Giles**. Every off day Harold spends his time practicing in his own back yard or on the course. He has assured us he's going to buy a brand new set of clubs the first time he breaks 100!"



PULASKI — "PSK went over quota by 14 per cent in January, thanks to fairly good weather," writes **Glen Shanks**. "We are going to try for 500 per month before long. We were sorry to see Agent **Don Knight** leave us but can't say we blame him for wanting to go to the coast and MBC. It is hard to believe that we will not be seeing anymore DC-3's around from now on, but that's progress. Just hope the F-27's and 404's will be as faithful as the Gooney Bird. I suppose most of you know, but in case you don't, we consider Dublin the rat capital of the world. We usually ship several thousand mice, rats, and hamsters to various parts of the country each week. It won't be long until the soaring enthusiasts will be pulling out their gliders and sail planes. If any of you are interested in the sport come to PSK some weekend and we'll try to arrange a ride for you."



SHENANDOAH — There was good weather in the valley during January, reports **Roger Greenlaw**, and boardings hit an all-time high of 904 passengers. The big news at SHD is **Buddy Robinson's** upcoming trip to Germany, courtesy of Lufthansa. The five-day, all-expense paid trip to several German cities was given Buddy for his continuing efforts to promote international travel. Needless to say, he's very excited and says even the shots he had to take didn't perturb him. Interline visitors for the month include **Pete Ginter** of Lufthansa and **John Faber** of Air France.



A. M. Morton (center), Director—Current Scheduling for American Airlines, visited INT last month to talk with Preston Wilbourne (left), Director—Tariffs and Schedules, and Al Shulley, Assistant Director—Tariffs and Schedules. Morton visited the department to discuss ways to work out better interline schedule connections.

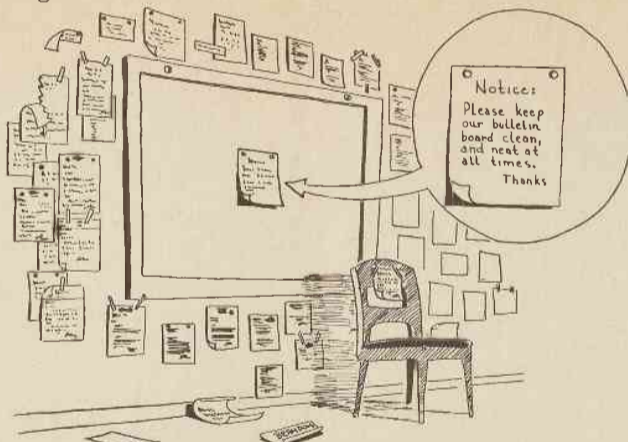
LOUISVILLE — "Things in 'Big L' are looking up," notes **Howard Hughes**. "What with all the new service and the fact that we won a steak dinner, we feel we're almost over the hump. Shall we order spaghetti, Mr. **Turbiville**? Since we last wrote The Piedmonitor, the stork has a bundle of joy called **Stephen Jason** at the home of Mr. and Mrs. **Mac Moore**. I don't believe our bowling team is still the holder of the first place title, however, I'm sure that they rate first in enthusiasm and 'just one more chance.' If they could ever teach **Reggie Powell** to use a right swing, they have it made! Agent **Don Carlye** and family have gone "Buck Eye gathering." Don says it isn't nearly as cold, even in Ohio, with your big feet planted under Mamma's table, as it is in SDF with a five-inch snow and 20 below. **Mary Kost** just returned from her vacation, and it seems while she was home her father somehow got the idea she would be enlisting in the Peace Corps and he thought a little advance agricultural training would do her no harm. As a result, she learned how to scoop corn, herd cattle, grade eggs, and worst of all, retire early and rise even earlier!"



FAYETTEVILLE — A big welcome is extended to the newest FAY Piedmont members in the persons of **Sandra Bennett**, **Henry Poole**, **Mowyer Calloway**, and **Billy Joe Thompson**. Reporter **Jane Fryar** is back at work after two weeks in the hospital, and extends a thank you to all the employees who visited her while she was sick. A recent holiday traveler was **Connie Zick** who traveled to DCA to visit family and friends.



RALEIGH-DURHAM — This communique comes from **J. P. Wheeler**: "We sure have missed those basketball charters at RDU this winter. Coaches at the University of North Carolina, N. C. State, and Duke, have been continuously asking about chance of charters and they get the same answer, 'No equipment available.' Compensating days are in progress here. **Coval Williamson**, **Carolyn Repass**, and **Verne Crisp** are already through with theirs. Willie made several short trips on Piedmont, just like it was not cold enough here. Carolyn took a trip up to the north-eastern part of the U. S., and Verne spent about all his time at home—sick—don't believe he was able to get in much, if any, bird-hunting. **Gene Shaw** is next on the list and there are rumors of a big trip to Las Vegas."



GOLDSBORO — Reporter **Bill Evans** sends us this look over 1962: "Looking back over the year just ended, we at GSB came up with a few statistics we are proud of. After a bit of calculating by our Manager **Parker Haley**, we found we were 27th out of 47 stations in gross ticket sales for the month of December. Further investigation found us 30th in ticket sales for the 12 months just ending, although we only opened here in June. Total for the year was \$110,540. Included in this was a number of international sales. A good percentage of our passengers were long-haul, with an average per passenger of \$59.25. Our goal in 1963 is for a quarter million dollars in sales. A happy anniversary is extended to **Dan Berry**, who claims he really celebrated. **Don Townsend** is really looking forward to his vacation. Seems that either **Don Wester** or **Hollis Cook** is known to a certain party as 'Wilbur.' What could she mean?"



ATLANTA-R — Our gal from 'way south, **Peg Pequignot**, says ATL started the New Year off with a bang by boarding 4,281 passengers — 781 over quota. January 3 was a red-letter day, as they chalked up 350 boardings. This is especially good since 18 trips were cancelled due to weather. "We bid fond farewell to Agent **Norman Salvatore**," continues Peg, "who left February 15 to return to Tampa. He leaves a gap that will not be easy to fill. We wish him the best and hope he'll visit us frequently. We were honored this month with two celebrities — Michael "Little Joe" Landon of Bonanza, and vocalist **Jane Morgan**. The sales training course has been started, and we hope by a thorough review of this course we will all become 'super-salesmen' and ready to meet the challenge, ahead."



Mrs. Thelma Taylor Davis, Supervisor—Convention and Charter Sales, on February 6, became the first woman at Piedmont to receive a 15 Year Pin. Shown here at the pin presentation by President T. H. Davis, Mrs. Davis is the 36th person to receive the 15-year service award. Ten persons, all of them men, have received the diamond-jeweled 20 Year Pin.

Congrats

15 YEARS SERVICE

- Beverley Berkeley, Jr., Capt., ROA, January 5
- Roy R. Brown, Capt., TYS, January 5
- Joseph G. Fickling, Capt., ORF, January 5
- Marvin B. Hembel, Capt., ATL, January 5
- H. H. Hutcheson, Capt., INT, January 5
- Clive R. Malott, Capt., ILM, January 5
- Lyle W. McNames, Dir. of Flt. Stand., INT, January 5
- John P. Onoff, Capt., ATL, January 5
- Forrest M. Shelton, Capt., INT, January 5
- George H. Wilson, Capt., ORF, January 5
- Mitchell O. Everhart, Ground Radio Tech., January 12
- James C. Freeman, Ld. Cleaner, INT, January 12
- Thomas W. Holton, Foreman, ROA, January 15
- Wilson C. Harpe, Sr. Spec., INT, January 19
- Ken Ross, Supt. of Sta., INT, January 19
- Ted Arnold, Sta. Mgr., TYS, January 26
- Jack Brandon, Sta. Mgr., INT, January 26
- Don Edmondson, Dist. Sales Mgr., ATL, January 26
- Harold L. Gibson, Sta. Mgr., ROA, January 26
- Byron W. Linville, Ld. Mech., INT, January 26
- James L. Neill, Agt., LEX, January 26
- Joe Wathen, Dist. Sales Mgr., SDF, January 26
- Richard H. Kitchen, Disptchr., INT, January 28

10 YEARS SERVICE

- Alfred M. Lundy, Foremn., ROA, January 1
- Bobby G. McLeod, Agt., ROA, January 1
- Donald K. MacPherson, Agt., RIC, January 1
- Gerald W. Overstreet, Inspec., ATL, January 1
- Bobby B. Courtney, F/O, ILM, January 5
- Roy E. Raines, Jr., Inspec., ROA, January 10
- Lionel F. Anders, City Sales Mgr., ROA, January 19
- Ivan G. Gilbert, Res. F/O, ROA, January 27

5 YEARS SERVICE

- Robert F. Huffman, Foreman, ROA-FB, January 1
- Alfred L. Shaver, Jr. Mech., ROA, January 2
- Ralph E. Hicks, Sr. Draftsmn., INT, January 20
- Hinton L. Golden, Cleaner, INT, January 22
- Aubrey O. Smith, Sr. Mech., INT, January 27
- Keith N. Smith, Agt., ISO, January 30



Don't read the last sentence of this caption for a moment and see if you can guess who is the man in the center and the one on the right. The snapshot was taken over 15 years ago and these stalwart gentlemen were around to help get an airline started. Now you can read it — the one in the middle is **Howard Cartwright**, the one on the right, **Joe Fix**.