

# PIEDMONT PRESS NOTES

**WASHINGTON** — Reporter **Austin Morrison**: Everyone in DCA is still recuperating from the big station party we had September 12. We had an attendance of approximately 150 personnel, including special guests from INT: Mr. and Mrs. **Bill Clark**, Mr. and Mrs. **Tom Cowen**, and Mrs. **Wilma Cooke**. We're sorry that more people from the home office were not able to attend but we understand since it was Saturday night. We certainly appreciated the help from ROA and BAL who made it possible for the people scheduled to work to attend the party. Recent figures show DCA moving approximately 2,000 pounds of cargo daily. Vacations for September and August were **Buster Stover**, **Ritchie Iden**, **Bryan Duncan**, **Doris Freemer**, **Fay Hutsepiller**, **Jack Gallagher**, **Terry Heinemeyer**, and **Juanita Mutter**. We hope to have **Glenn Burton** back with us soon. He has been in the hospital for a minor operation. New employees at DCA are **Howard Miller**, **Tom Ragland**, **Charles Short**, **Bill Moriarty**. Our best wishes go with **Marty Hoover** who is resigning to become a full-time student. The latest visit from the stork was to **Tom** and **Mary Cleghon**, who are the proud parents of a baby girl.

**ATLANTA-O** — Reporter **Ed Whittaker**: Those who couldn't make it to the steak dinner at the Marinique Restaurant down here really missed a good time. We had all the trimmings, including an orchestra. Among those from INT who attended were **Ken Ross**, **R. E. Turbiville**, **H. M. Cartwright**, and **Bill Clark**. **Jack Doyle** from ILM was also there, along with **Forrest Shelton**, Chief Pilot. Our thanks to PAI for an enjoyable evening. Operations in ATL welcomes three new agents, **Jerry Bell**, **Don Amer**, and **Wesley Carter**. Congratulations are extended to ops agents **Benny Britt** and **Bill Robertson**, who very recently became fathers of new sons. We'd like to welcome back agent **Ken Dennis**. **Ken** was out because of an accident, and then took his vacation. Would anyone like to challenge the ATL howling team? We've got a lot of steam down here.

**GOLDSBORO** — Reporter **Bill Evans**: GSB had a record boarding month in September. We're trying to do our share toward that million passenger mark. A big welcome is extended to **E. C. Kearney** who transferred here from ILM. We also said a sad farewell to **Dan "Alfred E. Newman" Wester** who left here to go to RMT, his hometown and his stomping grounds. **Dan Berry** and **Hollis Cook** are trying to catch all the bass in these parts. They aren't doing so well, though. Lastly, we're all eagerly awaiting ground breaking ceremonies for our new terminal.

**MYRTLE BEACH** — Reporter **Vern McCord**: Vacations are still in store for some of the agents here. **D. K. Jones** is just taking it easy here at the beach and going nowhere in particular, but doing a little fishing. **W. West** is journeying to the 2nd largest state to spend a couple of weeks in cactus land. The big thing here at MBC is the fish. Everyone is coming here and going away with all the fish they want. Just ask **McNeil** and **Van Berckman** from AGS or **Lewis** and **Walden** from FLO. We'd like to welcome our new agent **Frank Woodruff** who started to work for the Company this month. **Frank** comes from Winston-Salem. We're all hoping he'll like this salt air. Every one here has high hopes that we might be in our new terminal building by the first of the year.

**BLUEFIELD** — Reporter **John Lawrence**: It looks like this is the year for records to be broken. Not only did BLF break all records for passenger boardings, but for air freight too. The passengers were easy enough, but the air freight left a few sore backs. Thanks to CVG, SDF, DCA, ROA, and TRI for their help unloading all the freight. Oops—almost forgot TYS. They really get excited when they receive the TD on 901 Saturday night. Vacations are about over. **Ted Farrington** drove to Florida for a few days, but was run home by Dora. **John Lawrence** stayed home and took care of his new son. **Joe Robertson** spent his time painting the house. Looks like **Eddie Jones** was the only one who really had a vacation. He's just returned from what he describes as "one of the best". He was a guest of Lufthansa's Interline tour to Germany. The tour began at Kennedy International with the flight to Munich where he attended the great Oktoberfest (beer festival). **Ed** says this is just as much fun as you've heard it is. From Munich, the tour continued by train and bus, stopping at several German communities for short tours and luncheons or an overnight stay. The tour ended in Frankfurt with a visit to Weisbaden and the famous Wine Festival the following Saturday night. Of course, **Ed** had to extend his trip abroad to get up to South Wales and London to visit those Joneses. This is an occasion he always enjoys since there isn't a Jones in the United States any kin to him.

**PARKERSBURG** — Reporter **Virg Flinn**: Vacations are all over for another year. Here's a brief run-down on what the lads did on their time off. **Charlie Hall** toured West Virginia. He is a camera bug and returned with some nice pictures. **Jim Kendrick**s, vacation took him to INT where he received his ter-

year pin and then on to ATL to his ole plantation for a look at his assets. **Vize Dotson** spent his time off with a do-it-yourself book. The result? One remodeled kitchen. **Roy Roberts** also joined the do-it-yourselfers by adding a new porch to his house. Yours truly went to the mountains on a camping trip. In between vacations we found time for our steak dinner with guests **Ed Best** and **Paul Loar**. Everybody's back at work, our ramp equipment is painted, and we're ready for a long winter.

**CHARLOTTESVILLE** — Reporter **Mark Trail**: This past month was vacation time for Agents **Ken Lucas** and Mrs. **E. Reed**. **Don Pierce** has bought a nice house and a few acres of land to go with it. **Lance Anderson** and **Al Norvelle** are both driving new cars. **Lance** has a new Chevy Super Sports and **Al** is buying lots of gas for a Thunderbird. On October 17 the U. Va. Cavaliers of Charlottesville played host to the Army Cadets of West Point in one of the most spectacular football games of the season. U. Va., to the delight of CHO personnel, defeated Army 35 to 14. October 28 CHO was given another steak dinner as a result of increased boardings. By the way, the total number of years that all CHO employees have been working for Piedmont is 80. That averages out to 8 years per person.

**GREENSBORO** — Reporter **LeRoy Benson**: GSO is now into the rush of the largest furniture show ever. New buildings constructed this summer have made it possible for even greater numbers of salesmen and furniture representatives to be present in this area. At the present time GSO is undertaking a training program on the Traffic Manual and sales etiquette. This program is under the direction of agent **Bob Plummer** with some assistance from lead agent **Don Tate**. We have already noticed a big improvement in handling telephone contacts. Reservations procedures have steadily improved and we are still attempting to eliminate most of the errors found in recording messages and teletyping them to other points both on and off line. We know that all of you will join us in congratulating agent **Johnny Gardner** on the birth of a new baby daughter named **Wendy Lea Gardner**.

**ROCKY MOUNT** — Reporter **Frank Slone**: Like many other stations, our passenger traffic is continuing to be good. We held our steak dinner October 24. Everyone had a grand time. We regret losing agent **Wendell Gabriel** and his family. **Wendell** recently transferred to Asheville. In his place, however, we welcome agent **Dan Wester** from Goldsboro. **Dan** is a Rocky Mount native and welcomes the chance to be home. Agents **E. B. "B" Fields** and **Bill Bone** report good fishing off the coast this time of year. We understand that they have made good catches every-time they've gone. After much legal haggling and a very long delay, it looks as if we are finally going to have a new airport in the very near future. Plans are for a 6000 foot runway, taxi strips, and a new terminal. Present estimates indicate a completion date for the new airport in two or three years.

**NORFOLK-F** — Reporter **Bob Wylie**: Since the last report from Norfolk some two months ago, things have been happening. We had our second steak dinner, a thirteen inch rainfall, a couple of close calls with hurricanes, a re-organization of the bowling team, and baby girls for the **Paul Wyatts** and the **Max Sinks**. Our second steak dinner was as resounding a success as our first. Entertainment for the evening was provided by Lawrence Belk and his Boozie Bums. One of the highlights of the party was a 15 minute film entitled "How to Do It With Only One". Don't let the title fool you; it's all about airline work. All in all we believe everyone had a pleasant evening. Our faithful bowling team is off and rolling again. As usual, we are near the top if you start counting from the bottom. However, Monday, October 19, we had one of the best nights the team has ever had, recording a total pinfall of 1,702 sticks for three games. That's not too bad for Duck Pins.

**SHENANDOAH** — Reporter **Jim Dallas**: Shenandoah had its biggest month for boardings with a total of 1342 boarded in September. We're looking for an even better month in October. Manager **Bob Lipscomb** is still looking for the Washington Redskins to win a football game. **Doelph Pitcock** and his wife **Marion** spent their vacation over in Charlottesville waiting for the stork and were blessed with an 8½ pound baby girl. Agents **Conley Blevins** and **C. O. Walters** are waiting for the deer season to come. Best of luck, boys. Bow season is already in. A 200 lb. deer was killed with a bow in the town of Grottoes, just three miles from the airport. Y'all come down for a deerburger cook out. Agent **Roger Greenlaw** is still trying to prove that he can shave with those "Beep-Beep" razor blades. Agent **Guy Rawley** just purchased a piano. He says Liberace doesn't have anything on him except maybe a swimming pool. **Don Monroe's** faithful old Nash Rambler finally quit ramblin' and **Don** is now looking for a bargain on another used car.

**RICHMOND-F** — Reporter **J. L. Thompson**: Wedding bells rang for **Wayne Walker**, our newest employee, on October 20. **Wayne**, a North Carolina boy, of course chose a North Carolina gal, the former Miss **Patricia Phillips** of Pilot Mountain, N. C. Vacationers this month were the **Gene Jarvise**s who motored to the Chicago area for two weeks. It's steak time again in RIC. The date is November 19 and we are hoping to see some of the INT folk here to help us. Plans are for a dinner theater evening at the Barksdale Theater and everyone is looking forward to a very enjoyable get together.

**CINCINNATI-C** — Reporter **Jan Tuemler**: CVG-R welcomes lovely new addition **Ruth Huntley**, replacing **Mary Lee Thesing** who left to further pursue her studies. We were very happy to see smiling **Kathy Feldman Hogan**, former reservations agent, now residing in SFO, back here for a short visit. Your reporter has just returned from a week in sunny MIA and TPA, rested and tanned. The Lamplite Patio was the scene for the Company steak dinner held Saturday, October 17th. At the rate boardings have been increasing here, we will be ready for another one soon.

**COLUMBUS** — Reporter **Ray Campbell**: We sure hope everyone on the system is as quota minded as we are. We want to see that millionth passenger for the Million Air Club. CMH will be very close to breaking its own record for any month's boarding since the station opened here in 1955. The steak dinner was greatly appreciated by all the CMH agents. Guests were the District Sales Representative **Paul Loar**, Division Supervisor **Ed Best**, and Director of Flight Services **Harold Warner**. A swimming party followed the dinner with the dress of the day being polka-dotted swim shorts. Some big splashes came from **Wallace Kerr**, **Paul Loar**, and **Harold Warner**. The latest big news is the birth of a baby boy to **Bert** and **Myra Carlos**. Everyone, including baby **Bert Anthony**, is doing fine. **Wallace Kerr** has been enjoying the Ohio State football games with exuberant vigor. He's enjoyed everything, that is, but mistaking the coke line for another line at half time. **Shirley Sword** has just returned from a visit with **Don Shanks**, station manager at DCA. **Orval Sword** says he wore out a pair of shoes and one leg trying to see everything in such a short visit. Our highly educated agent on travel, **JoAnn Short**, has just returned from Hawaii with a gorgeous suntan.

**FLORENCE-R** — Reporter **Lamar Burnett**: Through extra effort last month we increased our boarding status and merited a steak dinner. Thanks go to INT. Although somewhat belatedly, we would like to welcome aboard our new staff crew chief agent **Robert Bennington** from FAY and also agent **Lamar Burnett** from ATL. We'd like to remind everyone that the new fall and winter schedule will help Florence connect passengers with Chicago and New York via Charlotte.

**HICKORY** — Reporter **Fred Classey**: We here at Hickory are busy boarding passengers and trying to make our quota as usual. It seems that we really have our work cut out for us this month, though, and it will take a lot of extra effort on the part of everyone concerned here to make it this time. We'd all like to have another steak dinner. Since my last report, there has been a change in our personnel at HKY. **Jerry Gaither** has left and is now attending flying school in Florida to attain his instrument ticket. We all send our best wishes to **Jerry**. **Eddie Gabriel** from Asheville is with us now. We'd like to welcome **Eddie** to HKY.

**CHARLESTON** — Reporter **Ruth Shumate**: CRW so far is well over the monthly quota and has hopes of having a record month. Hunting season got off to a big start — and almost a tragic one. **Bob Hill**, **Phil Bostic**, and **Allen Perry** went in Perry's car the first morning. Due to the slick pavements in the mountain area, **Allen** lost control and the car spun into the side of the mountain. **Hill** and **Bostic** did not receive injuries but **Perry** had several cracked ribs and a dislocated shoulder. **Mary Coyne** had a few days of vacation which she and her husband spent visiting in MIA. This writer has moved to the city limits now and will no longer have a fifteen mile drive over those ice-covered highways. We're still working for Rocket football team charters and the team is still winning many of their games. The trip over the mountains is so beautiful this time of the year. Why don't you come to see us and at the same time attend one of the games? We'll be looking for you.

**RALEIGH-DURHAM** — Reporter **J. P. Wheeler**: Big news at RDU was the birth of **Kevin Coiner** on October 1. The proud parents are **Norman** and **Billie Coiner**. As many of you remember, **Billie** is the former **Billie Jean Davis** who was Director of Stewardess Training before her marriage. Mother and son are doing fine. **Bobby Eatmon** spent his two weeks vacation in CLT with the Air National Guard. **Jack Bullock** is planning a vacation trip to Florida—that is, if there are no hurricanes in that vicinity. The RDU area has been buzzing with excitement. Both presidential candidates have been here. Piedmont had a charter from DCA carrying the White House Press on one occasion. The World Series had more than usual interest to people in Durham. **Roger Craig**, a Durham native, was participating.