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Editors And The Strike

Hopefully by the time this appears the strike will be history. With an insatiable editor's curiosity we've been wondering how the airline editors have been affected by the situation. Thus, with the aid of our indispensable FX lines we called around the country to find out what's been going on in airline publication offices.

Out in Los Angeles Syd Albright and Linda Anderson reported that the early days of the strike found everything hectic. The two Westerners were plagued with a million inquiries from the press, as most all of us were. Syd says they've been spending a lot of time getting pictures to record their employees efforts toward making everything run as smoothly as possible. Syd and Linda held down the news end of things for Western and weren't involved too much with other frantic situations caused by the strike.

A call to Eastern put us in touch with their operator who was unable to locate either Larrie O'Farrell or Lee Bright. In excellent Eastern lingo she explained they had been "furloughed". As yet we have no news as to how Lee likes Eastern, or exactly which department Larrie has joined since turning over the Falcon to Lee. Incidentally we're not sure who has taken over Lee's post at Ozark.

Those editors we were able to contact are looking forward to meeting several newcomers to the ranks at our December gathering in Montreal. A short conversation with Chapin Leinbach in Washington revealed that Mack Palmer has left American to teach school. No one seems to know where Glenn Walker, who blue-pencilled American's Astrojet in Tulsa, also seems to have retired from the airline editor's conclave without leaving a forwarding address.

Up in Lake Central territory Bobbie Justice reports she is completely involved in her PR work. She said that although the By-Liner hasn't been published since January, the situation is only temporary; they are in the market for an editor and hope to resume publication soon. Even though Lake Central will have a new editor, Bobbie is planning to be with us in Montreal.

During the first false alarm for the strike ending Martha Green Bagby came in to start clearing her desk and dropped us a short note from National country. She enjoyed at least the first part of her "vacation" from the office, but seemed ready for an end to it all. The National Reporter is ready to go back into circulation, reports its editor. With all her new color layouts we're ready to see it too!

Unrestrained by the whole affair, Southern's Red Tyler says he's been on the go. We found it comforting to know that at least someone has had seats available through all this mess. Southern has been operating some new temporary flights into new stations and Red has been coordinating news releases for their new markets. Archie Yawn, as usual, was out flying and unavailable for comment. Southern personnel have been stretched thin in most every department. The Southernaire will come out, Red says, "When I cease to have more to do than I can possibly do."

As for my experiences, this was my first strike. I think I've learned more about the airlines in the last six weeks than I learned my first six months in the industry. Piedmont's problems have been about like all the rest of the non-striking lines from what I can gather. Other than working with the news media, which was no small task, one reporter asked me if the CAB was an agency of the FAA. I tried my hand at Space Control operations until we could get some of our people back from vacation. I quickly decided that everyone concerned, especially passengers, would be much better off with me at the printer, far away from that teletype.

Like all the other editors, I'm looking forward to the return of some semblance of normalcy so that I'll have time to look forward to our conference in Montreal.

Congrats

15 YEARS

Onyx Bynum Miller—Asst. Eng., INT
K. Charles Lineback—Captain, DCA
Edward V. Settle—Captain, GSO
Carl L. Martin—Captain, INT

10 YEARS

C. L. Smith—Agent, SDF
Acie W. Dillon—Jr. Mech., INT-FB
E. B. McBride, Jr.—Mech. Spec., INT
H. V. Chambers—Jr. Mech., INT
Bobby L. Shelton—Jr. Mech., INT
James Fulwood, Jr.—Cleaner, INT-M

5 YEARS

Mrs. Jane Kienker—Agent, AVL
Louis E. McConnell—Director of Training, INT

Around The System

NEW EMPLOYEES

T. B. Stultz, Jr.—Cleaner RQA
W. T. Thompson, Jr.—Agent-Oper. RDU
J. L. Berryman—Agent-Oper. CVG
W. F. Curtis—Cleaner ATL
R. H. Fleming—Agent-Oper. SHD
C. H. Hart—Administrative Asst. to the Vice President—Finance INT-A
S. D. Hill—Agent-Oper. GSO
J. C. Hunt—Agent-Oper. LYH
L. T. McCormick, Jr.—Agent-Oper. ILM
I. C. Mosko—Secretary-Stenographer INT-A
D. V. Murphy—Agent-Oper. ATL
J. C. O'Steen—Communicationist DCA
B. L. Shields—Jr. Mechanic DCA
C. A. Bailey—Stewardess ORF
C. E. Bonner—Agent-Pass. Service DCA
V. W. Bowman—Agent-Oper. SDF
G. D. Clark—Agent-Res. INT-F
S. K. Conner—Stewardess DCA
C. D. Conrad, Jr.—Agent-Oper. CRW
L. W. Dawsey—Agent-Oper. FAY
C. G. Eidson—Agent-Pass. Service DCA
S. W. Ellis—Agent-Oper. EWN
J. A. Fey—Stewardess INT
R. L. Goodman—Agent-Oper. CLT
C. A. Henderson—Stewardess DCA
J. M. Hinson—Agent-Oper. CLT
H. J. Holder—Stewardess ORF
M. R. Hyland—Stewardess INT
B. M. Nance—Stewardess ORF
A. M. Patrick—Stewardess ROA
R. B. Shoemaker—Line Serviceman ORF
M. C. Propst—Agent-Oper. CLT
J. T. Ratcliff—Jr. Radio Tech. INT
C. R. Ridenhour—Stewardess INT
J. A. Watkins, Jr.—Agent-Oper. ILM
P. A. Whalen—Agent-Res. DCA
G. E. Workman—Agent-Res. DCA
W. G. Alderman—Stewardess ILM
J. B. Boddie, III—Agent-Oper. ATL
C. L. Bowlin—Agent-Oper. DCA
S. B. Boykin—Agent-Oper. FAY
E. E. Cassell—Agent-Oper. DCA
S. H. Dudley—Mechanic ORF
T. L. Fisher—Agent-Oper. CLT
J. E. Garland—Agent-Oper. DCA
J. H. Griffiths—Agent-Oper. ATL
L. K. Joyner—Stewardess INT
J. L. Konkle—Mechanic ILM
P. G. Markunas—Stewardess INT
J. J. McCranie—Agent-Oper. ATL
V. W. Merritt—Agent-Pass. Service DCA
J. F. Moore—Stewardess ILM
T. K. O'Connor—Util. Service Man ILM
C. H. O'Dell—Agent-Oper. DCA
B. A. Pell—Stewardess ATL
Marilyn Priddy—Stewardess DCA
J. M. Reilly—Agent-Pass. Service DCA
R. W. Rinehart—Agent-Oper. RMT
B. G. Russell—Agent-Oper. ATL
J. A. Saults—Agent-Oper. DCA
J. H. Scogin—Agent ATL
R. H. Shell—Agent-Oper. DCA
S. E. Smith—Stewardess ILM
T. S. Stanelly—Mechanic INT
C. E. Taylor—Cleaner ROA
J. W. Tucker—Apprentice INT-FB
E. E. Voltz—Agent-Oper. FAY
R. L. Waterhouse—Agent-Oper. ATL
J. T. Winkler, Jr.—Agent-Oper. DCA

TRANSFERS

M. A. Collins—ORF to ILM
J. W. Hurlbut—INT to ATL
S. J. Keays—INT to ATL
I. W. Pope—INT-F to Staff Asst. Lost and Found
C. T. Crouch—SHD to SDF
R. B. Curtis—PHF to DCA
V. T. Dotson—PKB to CMB
R. L. Hill—transfer to Mgr. Cargo ROA
E. E. Jones—BLF to CRW



W. H. Kerr—CMH to ORF
R. T. Power—SDF to ATL
A. M. Ward—PSK to BLF
A. M. Whittaker—ORF to ROA
L. P. Dennis—DCA to ATL
I. G. Gilbert—ATL to DCA
C. W. Ivester—ATL to RDU
T. Steelman—transferred to Agent-Space Control
J. S. Faucette—promoted to Sta. Mgr. BLF
W. M. Foster—promoted to Sta. Mgr. SHD
H. W. Lewis, Jr.—promoted to Lead Agent BAL
G. A. Scherer—promoted to Chief Agent BAL
J. B. Russell—promoted to Mech. INT
R. L. Smith—promoted to Sr. Stock Clerk INT
R. O. Clark—promoted to Ut. Service Man DCA
C. W. Burton—promoted to Util. Service Man ILM

PROMOTIONS

D. D. Shean—INT promoted to Production Tech.
J. D. Storch—INT promoted to Business A/C Work Coordinator
O. F. Webster—INT promoted to Sr. Planner A/C Routing
K. C. Whapham—INT promoted to Acting Supervisor Industrial Eng.
D. E. Berry—PKB promoted to Station Mgr.
V. B. Crisp—GSB promoted to Chief Agent

M. F. Elkins—FAY promoted to Lead Agent
E. W. Shaw—RDU promoted to Lead Agent
C. W. Platt—INT-FB promoted from Flight Instructor to Pilot-Charter
R. E. Hicks—INT promoted to Asst. to Supervisor of A/F O/H
M. F. Hinson—INT promoted to Sr. Radio Tech.
Dallas Brown—INT promoted to Lead Radio Tech.
H. L. Gibson—ROA promoted to Div. Supervisor
J. L. Martin—ATL promoted to Asst. Station Manager
B. E. Parrish—ATL promoted to Div. Supervisor
D. G. Sutphin—DCA promoted to Asst. Station Manager

UNDERSTANDING SPACE . . . ?

If it costs one cent to ride a thousand miles, a trip around the world would cost twenty-five cents; to the moon, two dollars and thirty-eight cents; to the sun, only two hundred and twenty-five dollars; but a trip to the next nearest star would cost two hundred and six million dollars.



Your correspondent has been on vacation for the past two weeks and all I know to put in this column is what I read in the newspapers — which reminds me of a story. Way back in the mountains of North Carolina, old Mrs. Jones went to church for the first time. While the congregation was singing the last song of the service, the minister walked down the aisle to get new members. He came to Mrs. Jones and said, "Sister Jones, do you know our Saviour died for us?" Sister Jones replied, "Lord no, I didn't know that. John don't take the paper, and we never get any news."

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Anyway, things happened when the strike started and they are still happening. We are fortunate in having about thirty-five employees from the other carriers to come in to help us out. We wish to welcome these people even though it is only on a temporary basis. Things must have been critical when Bob Reed, Tom Cowen, Thelma Davis, Al Shulley, Ken Ross and others had to work in Reservations pulling phones — not to mention Bob McAlphin, who had a schedule change every hour on the hour. I would like to thank all the people out in the field for their hard work and dedication during this emergency. As I have always said, when the chips are down, I can count on you guys and gals to come through.

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Hen — The only creature on earth who can sit and produce dividends.

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Wisdom — (a) Knowing what to do next, (b) Knowing when to speak your mind and when to mind your speech.