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Here . . . and There . . .

Gardening in winter? It just depends where you are . . . S/M Paul Hult, TUS, spent part of his vacation during the Christmas Holidays planting Arizona cactus in his garden.

Recent sunbathers in the Valley of the Sun were Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Goodrich, parents of PHX S/A Ron Goodrich. They escaped the cold of our northernmost station, ISN.

Dean Kirksey, DENL, visited his family and friends near Springfield, Mo., during the holidays.

RIW boys are looking forward to getting into the new terminal building.

Along with most of the other stations on FL system, DRO has experienced a shuffle of agents. Ten-year men Dick Hill and Vern Crawley moved south to PHX, where they purchased new homes adjacent to each other in a new housing development. Their replacements here at DRO moved right in—literally—with S/A Roy Hilderman taking Dick Hill's home and S/A Ken Stone got a place not too far from Roy in what is called Pinion Acres Homesites.

S/M Robert Cady, POY, and his family enjoyed Christmas vacation at WRL and Green River with family and friends.

A farewell party was given by neighbors for Laudie Chorne and his wife. Laudie has transferred from station work to the Traffic Dept., stationed at BIS.

S/A Dean Head and family expect to go to Grand Island soon. He has been stationed at RIW.

At a dinner held at the Winslow airport on January 5, Regional Supervisor Lou Berets presented 5-year pins to S/A Rex Marble, Don Blanford and J. L. Abbott.

S/A Pete Kerr is deciding on a car after being without one for six months. He is at FMN.

Fletcher and Mora Huskey really enjoyed their Hawaiian vacation . . . they just might move there someday. Fletcher is at S/A at FLG.

The Tony Illich's and Ken Sernett's, DIK, along with other airport personnel, were guests of Ellis Thompson, airport manager and owner of Dickinson Air Service, for a Christmas party on Dec. 20.

S/M Jim Senstad and Gary Boyer, PUB, have enrolled for a nite course at Pueblo Jr. College . . . they're studying public relations.

Eugene Martin, S/A-OLF, and family spent Christmas in DIK.

Margie Fitterer will spend about 10 days seeing the sights of New York City. She's in Communications-DEN.

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G. H. NETTLEBLAD

"Swede, how about . . ." . . . is perhaps the most usual beginning of a conversation with G. H. Nettleblad around GO. And sometime during the talk Swede's face breaks into a broad smile and his blue eyes twinkle.

Here's an FL-ite who's been around Frontier for nigh on to 13 years, starting as a copilot and who is now assistant to E. L. Aden, director of flight operations.

Swede acts as liaison with the FAA and ATA on flight operations . . . works on the preparation of instructions and operational data for flight personnel . . . serves on the credit committee of the Credit Union . . . just a few of the many projects that cross his desk.

Second to aviation is water skiing . . . delighting in the brisk spray of water as he skims along the lake . . . only to discover unused muscles can ache the following day.



Beans from Cortez for the famous Sowbelly Dinner of the Colorado Mining Association are assayed by Mining Engineers James Quinn and Ed Dickerman with an assist from Stewardess Mary Bussells.

Membership Drive for New Airline Club

Something NEW in DEN . . . an airline club for airline employees only. The Club House is located at 1128 Grant, and presently is known as Pierre's. A contest will be held shortly to pick a name for the club.

Right now a membership drive is on . . . initiation fee for resident and non-resident members is \$10, and monthly dues are a dollar, plus tax. Non-resident members do not have to pay dues.

Is this just another club to belong to? Not quite! Here's a place to drop in for refreshments, to meet other airline employees, to take out-of-town guests . . . all geared toward that sometimes flat pocketbook.

Join NOW . . . then look for that monthly newsletter that'll be packed full of what's going on at the Club. Tom Makurat, DENT, is membership chairman for Frontier.

Didja Know . . .

. . . that at present there are 8,543 employees in local service airlines . . . that there are 134,682 in the trunk carriers, Pan Am and Pan Am-Grace Airway . . . and 6,496 in cargo, helicopter, and territorial airlines . . . a grand total of 149,721 employees in the U. S. Schedule airline industry . . . located around the world.

. . . that back in 1928 it was 1,500 . . . then 13,300 in 1938 . . . 85,000 in 1948 . . . and 135,000 in 1956.

. . . that the annual industry payroll is \$827,436,506. Salaries, employee welfare insurance and other benefits account for 46.1 per cent of total operating costs of the trunk-lines.

. . . that the average airline salary is \$5,474 . . . as against \$5,081 in railroads . . . \$5,166 in highways . . . \$5,158 in waterway, pipeline, etc. . . . \$5,032—all transportation . . . and \$4,021 in all industry.

. . . that the prices airlines must pay for the things and services they must buy to operate has risen 45 per cent. For example, fuel prices have risen 41 per cent, maintenance materials 44 per cent and average salary 78 per cent.

The scheduled airline industry's commitment for new flight and group equipment amounts to a capital investment over the next few years of more than 18,000 per employee. This compares to \$7,190 investment per employee in the chemical industry for the same period, or \$5,300 in the iron and steel industry. And it is five times greater than the railroad industry's investment of \$3,430 per employee.

. . . that's the story a recent Air Transport Association of America (ATA) study shows.

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Back in December, CDR's group had a Christmas party at the home of Alfred Beek, S/A there.

Other vacationers around Christmas, were S/M C. R. Johnston who went to Pocatello, Idaho, and S/A G. Humbracht, who just rested. They are stationed at CEZ.

DEN and Flagler, Colo., were the vacation spots for Ray Spiars and family of LAR.

Redecorating his home, occupied Don Koughn, SS/A-LNK, during his vacation.

Cal Reese, S/M-DEN, visited GJT during the recent holiday season.

From Boston to Vernal . . . a long distance change for S/A Leslie Belyea. VEL is mighty interesting, Les.

Rachel Ratlief, DENR, has enrolled in a first aid class.

S/A Harry Fassett is in the process of getting his fine, new log-constructed home built . . . using native pine logs. Not to be outdone, S/A Walt Rea just finished adding a new chicken house to his acreage just north of the airport.

POY celebrated New Year's Eve at the home of S/M Robert Cady.

S/M Jim Schneider, ISN, and family vacationed near DIK, where Jim spent part of the time ice fishing . . . no big ones.

Mrs. and S/M Loyd I. Redmer, OLF, spent a few days in BIL recently.

Glenn Emmons, S/M-LNK, was another who went ice fishing . . . in Minnesota, and when he returned, he had a guest from PUB, S/A Paul McClure.

Back in DENS is S/A Larry Hughey, who was the big fisherman of 1957. Who in '58? Comin' up . . .

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Somethin' New

Bill Monday, Mgr. Spc. & Ld Cntrl, is sporting a new Zuni Indian tie clasp with an FL winged arrow insignia. The tie clasp is hand-made and is an excellent Zuni silversmith's work. Anyone desiring to order one as a gift for themselves, can do so through Jason Carr, S/M-GUP. Price: \$3.50.

WHEN DAY IS DONE

What do FL-ites do when they've finished work at FL? Some go in for serving others . . . others may have a business of their own . . . or a hobby . . . whatever it is, they are busy.

Dean Reynolds, S/A-VEL, operates a Hobby and Pawn Shop on his days off.

And down INW way, S/A Duane Miller is a member of the Auxiliary Police Force . . . its members work with the Police Department in giving better coverage of the town.

And who would give up having fun on Christmas Eve cheering up the sick? Jo Pershin, Denver Chief Stewardess, spent her Christmas Eve at Fitzsimons General Hospital . . . she's a Red Cross Grey Lady.

A Report on Russia

Gay Parice . . . the beginning and the end of an amazing and fascinating trip behind the Iron Curtain . . . at a price to fit an airline employee's vacation fund . . . is the offer made by Air France.

Moscow . . . stand in Red Square and see the hundreds of Russians in line to go through the Mausoleum where Lenin and Stalin are entombed . . . shop in GUMS, Russia's largest department store of many little stalls . . . attend the theatre and notice how many American's stand in little groups while the Russians take a circle walk during intermission . . . and rest your weary head at the end of day on two giant pillows . . .

Notice the women doing the heavy work . . . cleaning the streets with short little brooms . . . the sameness of all the buildings. Sing American songs on your train ride to Leningrad . . . and suddenly feel the difference in the group when you disembark at the station . . .

A date for Secretaries

Secretaries Week, April 19-25, will mark the seventh year of acknowledging the abilities of secretaries throughout the nation. April 22 is Secretaries Day. The theme this year is "Better Secretaries Mean Better Business."

Through its Secretaries Week programs and its projects during the year, The National Secretaries Association urges secretaries to become professional in their field and to obtain information about CPS (Certified Professional Secretary) from its headquarters at 1103 Grand Avenue, Kansas City 6, Missouri.

Cupid Aboard

Miss Barbara Havlick, former Capital Airlines hostess, became engaged during the holidays to PHX S/A Ronald N. Goodrich. Wedding bells ring in June.

Frontier and Western Airlines recently had a merger when the former Miss Betty Kasel of WAL and Jerry Bacon, PHX-S/A, were married on January 17.

On February 7, Mary Jo Farabee, DENR, will marry Ernie Mensch of Denver.

Larry Morriss and Harley Plymire, S/A's at FMN, recently joined the married set.

During the holiday season S/A Markus Heerboth, PUB, became engaged to Miss Linda Hogrefe of Leavenworth, Kansas.

NEW FLYERS

Three future station agents for around 1977 are: Scott L. Downs, Thomas John Lewis, and Ralph Brott's son. Scott's arrival was December 28, and his proud parents are S/A Jim and Gloria Downs of PHX. Thomas' father is Guy Lewis of DENR, and arrived on December 24. The Brott's son arrived on December 30 at TUS.

Drop in at Aeroflot's ticket office . . . three rickety steps up and to your left . . . it's dark and dank . . . and then see the rest of the city . . . the Hermitage, where world famous art works are displayed and the giant relief map of precious stones in the former throne room of the Czars . . . and wish that there was more time to see Leningrad . . .

Enjoy the Victorian-styled hotel rooms . . . the warm bath towels . . . try to wind yourself in the top cover of the bed . . . it's different!

And then as the Air France plane takes to the air . . . relax and feel great . . . you've had an experience of a life-time . . . not soon to be forgotten . . .

Then there's Paris . . . the Eiffel Tower . . . a gay, bright end to Air France's Interline Tour behind the Iron Curtain . . .

Seriously . . . you'll feel proud to see the Stars and Stripes . . . to be home . . . to enjoy the freedom that is so precious . . . and you'll want to preserve it!

EUROPE BOUND

Is there a linguist around FL? Several FL-ites have won all-expense trips to Europe and South America . . . so, they've taken up German, French, and Spanish.

Jim Senstad, S/M-PUB, will go to Holland, and Ouita Elliott will spend a week in Europe. Both are KLM winners.

And in February, Ouita will spend a vacation in South America.

Some time this spring Ken Sernett, S/A-DIK, will spend 10 days in touring Germany. He was a winner in the Lufthansa Airline Sales contest.

Congratulations to all . . . they'll have a mighty interesting trips.

SELL or SWAP

Cessna 170A . . . \$4200 cash . . . and a Silverton Hi-Fi . . . \$175 . . . contact Fletcher Huskey-FLG.

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