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AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION COURSE. The initial course of 12 students, six from FAA and six from CAB, plus a number of student instructors, commenced studies September 30 in the newly inaugurated National Aircraft Accident Investigation School at the FAA Academy. The school, a joint venture of CAB and FAA, is headed by Mr. Marion Roscoe, CAB. Students and instructors will come from both organizations; plans call for inclusion at a later date of students from industry and foreign governments. The six-week course will offer training in the broad aspect of aircraft accident investigation; human factors, power plants, structures, operations, systems, aircraft records, witness interrogation, etc. Instrumental in formulating the curriculum for the Aircraft Systems Course were: Thomas J. Collins, John M. Cyrocki, and George C. Hay, all of FS-27. The course is unique in American civil aviation.

FAA ACADEMY MAN NAMED DEPUTY NAAIS. Jim G. Maupin, Supervisory-Engineering Instructor in the Flight Standards Training Division, FAA Academy, has been named as Deputy to Dean Marion Roscoe of the National Aircraft Accident Investigation School. Maupin has a long record in both military and civil aviation. He holds a Master of Aeronautical and Space Engineering Degree from the University of Oklahoma; was jet fighter pilot-instructor with the USAF. His background includes accident investigation of military aircraft.

NAATS CONVENTION IN OKLAHOMA CITY. The National Association of Air Traffic Specialists is holding a national convention in Oklahoma City this week. A number of prominent FAA officials will be on hand. Administrator N. E. Halaby is to address the convention Thursday evening.

FOREIGN VISITORS AT THE CENTER. A number of Directors of Civil Aviation of the Scandanavian countries are visiting the Aeronautical Center this week. Also visiting later in the week will be officials from Israel, Holland and Formosa.

MAILING ADDRESS FOR THE EUROPE, AFRICA, AND MIDDLE EAST REGION. Effective immediately the mailing address for the Office of the Assistant Administrator of Europe, Africa and Middle East Region located in London has been changed. Mail should be addressed as follows: Assistant Administrator, Federal Aviation Agency, American Embassy, London W.1, England.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS CONFERENCE. Public Affairs Officers and their assistants of all FAA regions, plus Washington personnel from Information Services, will hold a two-day conference at the Aeronautical Center October 7 and 8. This is the first such meeting at the Center.

FAA's AVIATION MECHANIC SAFETY AWARDS PROGRAM. Presentation of State awards to general aviation mechanics, will take place later this month and regional awards, to both general aviation and air carrier mechanics, in November. National awards---one in each category---will follow in December with selections to be made by the Flight Safety Foundation.

REYNOLDS TO NEW POST. Robert V. Reynolds assumed new duties on October 1, as Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of General Aviation Affairs. Prior to his new appointment, he was Deputy Director, Southwest Region. In 1960 he was named Special Assistant to the former FAA Deputy Administrator James Pyle. In his new post, Reynolds will serve under William Schulte, Assistant Administrator for General Aviation Affairs.

TIME'S A'WASTIN'. With two down already, only nine working days remain for employees to come under the protective wing of the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. During "Open Season" (October 1-15), employees may enroll, switch from one plan or option to another, change from "self only" to "self and family," or vice versa, or any combination of these changes.

INCOME TAX NOTE. Beginning January 1, 1964, Federal employees who do not have mandatory withholding of State tax deductions and who reside in the District of Columbia or one of the 27 States covered by an agreement with the Treasury Department, may request their accounting offices to deduct an amount from their salary checks to cover such tax.

NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM. President Kennedy recently established a National Communications System to integrate the resources of FAA, Departments of Defense, and State, GSA, etc., into a Government-wide communications network. The Defense Communications Agency has been designated Manager of NCS and is in process of forming a staff from personnel of the participating agencies. Names of those selected to represent FAA will appear in a future INTERCOM.

MORE POSITIVE CONTROL. With the inception of high altitude radar positive control at the New York and Washington Centers September 19, two-thirds of the airspace above 24,000 feet over the 48 contiguous States is covered by the service. Participating Centers now total 20. Miami and Seattle are expected to join the program before the end of 1963; Boston and Great Falls in mid-1964. When this is accomplished FAA will have reached its 3-year objective--high altitude positive control over the continental U. S., Alaska excepted.

FIRE PREVENTION. The Agency will participate in observing Fire Prevention Week which begins October 6. Fighting fire by active prevention demands the willing support of every employee to stem the destruction of the Agency's resources.

FAA TAKES PRIDE in its recent retiree, IM's Gunwald "George" Lindsoe, who, after completing his Civil Service career, has embarked on a new and challenging one with the Peace Corps. Lindsoe, an engineer, is now taking the prerequisite training and then will be off to Pakistan accompanied by Mrs. Lindsoe, a dental technician.

FLIGHT STANDARDS SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT COURSE. A prototype of the specially tailored 10-week course will begin in February. Plans are to train 75 Flight Standards personnel the first year. The training will include four weeks at the Aeronautical Center, followed by two weeks in a region, then four weeks back at the Center.

FIELD ASSIGNMENTS. Washington personnel being transferred to the field under the decentralization program are being assigned only to positions which have been vacant, Mr. Halaby said. This step assured FAA employees that the program will not create job conflicts which could result in station shifts of personnel in the field, he explained.

MORE ON FEDERAL EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFIT PROGRAM - "OPEN SEASON!" By now you should have received copies of the brochures explaining the benefits of the plans and their cost. In the event you have not received these brochures, or you desire to review the employee organization plans, library copies of all plans available are maintained for your benefit in the following locations: Headquarters Building, Room 101; CARI Building at the information desk inside the main entrance; Staging Facilities Building, Area A-10; Hangar 8, 1st shift, Room 210 West, 2nd shift, Room 107 East, 3rd Shift, Room 107 East; Hangar 9, Room 218 East and Hangar Floo. Since most of the plans are making some changes, you should review the brochures carefully.

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FAA'S A FLYIN' OUTFIT. More than 9500 FAA employees are active pilots. The Central System Division of Flight Standards at Oklahoma City ran a computer tape recently which reveals the following numbers of FAA personnel with aeronautical ratings: Private--4312 (33 are women); Commercial--4257 (24 are women); and ATR--965. This totals 9534 licensed pilots. The Agency also has 359 student pilots. A pretty impressive figure in view of the fact that it represents more than 20% of the Agency.

RED CARPET OUT FOR VISITORS. Headquarters and some of the regions have been welcoming foreign aviation officials this month. A group from Scandinavia includes Henrik Winberg, Director-General of the Swedish Board of Civil Aviation; Elinar Bøe, Director of Civil Aviation in Norway; Hans Jensen, Danish Civil Aviation Director, and Agnar Kofoed-Hansen, Director of the Icelandic Civil Aviation Authority. In addition, the red carpet is being rolled out for Director-General of Civil Aviation Kruys from the Netherlands.

BRING OUT THE CANDLES. It's almost time for the Agency's fifth birthday party and FAA facilities all over the country are preparing a little dash and color for the celebration. Open-houses, fly-ins, radio and television broadcasts, and other events will liven up the anniversary. Pilots who can get to Washington conveniently are invited to the Dulles Fly-In/Open House/Air Show on November 2-3. The static air show will exhibit jets, general aviation aircraft, and an FAA Flight Inspection "flying laboratory." FAAers everywhere are encouraged to participate enthusiastically in whatever programs have been planned at their facility.

REVISED WHITTEN AMENDMENT REVIEW FORTHCOMING. As a rider to the Classification Act of 1949 there appeared on the scene the "Whitten Amendment." Since 1949 each Federal Agency must certify yearly to the accuracy of employees' position descriptions. This certification is very important and all supervisors are held responsible by law for the accuracy of these certifications. Recent inspections by the Civil Service Commission and the Agency Program Evaluation Division indicate the Center needs to give more attention and emphasis to this process. The Aeronautical Center Personnel and Training Division is revising its Whitten review procedure so that it will be done throughout the year and will be supplemented by desk audits to insure that Aeronautical Center positions are correctly described and classified.

TRAINING OFFICERS CONFERENCE. The 1963 training officers conference will be held at the FAA Academy October 14-16. Major emphasis will be on the managerial aspects of the Regional Training Officer's job.

EXECUTIVE SEMINAR SELECTIONS MADE. William H. Kock, NAFEC; Charles E. Aldrich, Pacific Region; Wayne H. Goff, Southwest Region; Harold O. Frederick, Office of International Aviation Affairs; Seymour E. Blum, Office of Management Services; Richard R. Gamel, Aeronautical Center; and John F. Wubbolding, Central Region have been selected to attend courses at the Executive Seminar Center, Kings Point, New York. Other selections to fill the 26 spaces FAA has reserved will be made in 1964 as the program continues.

REPRESENTATIVES ATTEND UK TECHNICAL SYMPOSIUM. Richard Munnikhuysen, RD-604, and Walter Feltn, RD-102, attended the recent (Sept. 23-30) International Symposium on Electronics Research and Development for Civil Aviation, in England, sponsored by the Ministry of Aviation. Both men visited the Royal Radar Establishment at Malvern, and the Royal Aircraft Establishment at Farnborough. Also in attendance were George Prill and Ralph Link of the Europe-Africa-Middle East Office. Topics under discussion: Primary and secondary radar; air traffic control methods and procedures; navigation; all-weather guidance; radio communications and equipment.

FIELD ASSIGNMENT BREAKDOWN. As of September 30, 65 Washington employees had been certified to the field and 281 others were awaiting assignment. As pointed out previously, transfers are being made only to positions which are now vacant.

COST ACCOUNTING EXTENSION. MS-411 has begun a survey at the Aeronautical Center's Aircraft Services Base to be used as the basis of a cost accounting system for that facility. Management Services, Flight Standards, Installation and Materiel and the Center are represented on the survey team which will be augmented later by a representative from Budget.

MOTOR VEHICLE AUDIT. Audit Division, OMS has launched an internal audit of the Agency's motor vehicle program. Under national audit guidelines Washington and field audit staffs will collaborate in evaluating (1) criteria for establishing motor fleet requirements; (2) accuracy of vehicle use and cost data; (3) reliability of controls over Government property and (4) compliance with GSA regulations.

ROSTER OF AIRCRAFT. Thanks to the wonders of automatic data processing, a published list of all civil aircraft in the U. S. has been issued by the FAA. The 1200-page book, published for the first time, is entitled UNITED STATES CIVIL AIRCRAFT REGISTER. It contains registration number, make, model, manufacturer's serial number, year manufactured, and date of last inspection in addition to the owner's name and address. The number of engines and their make, model, and type are also listed. The roster will be published twice a year by FAA. The first edition is now available from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. at \$5.25 per copy.

FINAL NOTICE. October 15 is the deadline for enrolling in or changing enrollment in the Aeronautical Center Health Benefit Program.

EMPLOYEE THE HANDICAPPED WEEK. October 6-12 is national Employee the Handicapped Week. Over 200 physically handicapped persons are employed at the Aeronautical Center.

CENTER EMPLOYEE JOINS NASA. Employees of the Aeronautical Center wish a fond farewell to James P. Little of the Aircraft Services Base Engineering Division. Jim has accepted a position with NASA in Houston. He has been employed in Avionic Engineering since 1957 - way back when the organization was the Facilities Flight Inspection Branch. Jim's contributions to the Avionic Maintenance Manual has been long and arduous.

PILOTS HAVE MORE PLACES TO LAND. Civil airmen can land their planes on 347 more airports this year than previously. A recent tally shows that there are now 8,084 airports in the fifty states, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the South Pacific. Texas leads the list of states having the most airports with 621. California is second with 595, and Alaska is a runner-up third with 431 landing facilities. California, with 12,073 planes, has the largest number of aircraft based within state borders. Texas places with 7,325 and Michigan shows with 4,446.

NATIONAL AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL SCHOOL. A committee consisting of representatives from Army, Navy, Air Force and the Office of the Secretary of Defense is meeting today with FAA officials and visiting the Aeronautical Center for a briefing on the proposal for establishment of a joint FAA-DOD national school of terminal air traffic control training.

SETTING THE RECORD STRAIGHT: NAS IS CORRECT. The SRDS System Design Team report of June 1962 used the title: "National Airspace Utilization System (NAUS)." This has been superseded by the title: "National Airspace System (NAS)." Meaning and intent are identical. NAS is in; NAUS is out.

ABC's OF DME. "AOPA Pilot" reprinted the complete text of FAA's Advisory Circular 170-3 on Distance Measuring Equipment in its September issue. The original circular was prepared by the FS Operations Division.

NEW WAGE SCHEDULE. Revised wage schedules for FAA wage board employees went into effect last month at Sydney, Nebraska; Great Falls and Missoula, Montana; Fitchburg, Lowell, Worcester and Springfield, Massachusetts, and Manchester, N. H. and Cheyenne, Wyoming. Increases ranged from 3½ cents to 7½ cents.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS MEETING. Marshall Benedict, Chief, Employee Information Division of Information Services in Washington and his staff, in addition to all Public Affairs Officer in the Agency, met at the Aeronautical Center Monday and Tuesday.

PROMOTION PLAN ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AERONAUTICAL CENTER EMPLOYEES ONLY 10-7-63

Closing Date: 10-16-63. The best qualified applicants will be selected for these positions regardless of race, color, creed or national origin.

ACPP Number	Position Title, Grade & Series	Position Location	Key Number
ACPP-1	Secretary (Stenographer) GS-318-5	Aeronautical Center Washington, D. C. or Los Angeles, Calif.	234
ACPP-2	Clerk-Stenographer GS-312-5		255

PLEASE NOTE: The two above positions are announced for the purpose of establishing a roster. Vacancies are anticipated throughout the Tenant organizations and will not be announced again until the roster has been depleted or until 90 days have elapsed. Selections for future vacancies will be made from the roster established through this announcement.

ACPP-1005	Mobile Equipment Body & Fender Repairer, WB-3809-08	AC-56	*On File
ACPP-1006	Mobile Equipment Body & Fender Repairer, WB-3809-10	AC-56	*On File
ACPP-1007	Aircraft Painter, WB-4152-10	FS-995.5	255
ACPP-1008	Diazo Equipment Operator, WB-4428-6	AC-45	218
ACPP-1009	Powered Ground Equipment Repairer, WB-5857-08	IM-972	159
ACPP-1010	Aircraft Brake Repairer, WB-8260-6	FS-995.5	*On File
ACPP-1011	Aircraft Brake Repairer, WB-8260-10	FS-995.5	*On File
ACPP-1012	Digital Computer Systems Operator, GS-332-5	FS-950	186
ACPP-1013	Statistical Clerk, GS-1531-5	FS-945	296
ACPP-1014	Accountant, GS-510-9	AC-24	263
ACPP-1015	EAM Project Planner, GS-362-7	FS-950	272
ACPP-1016	Editorial Clerk (Typing) GS-1087-4	PT-970	*On File
ACPP-1017	Safety Engineer, GS-803-12	AC-10	292
ACPP-1018	Airways Engineer, GS-862-9	IM-972	292
ACPP-1019	Facilities Flight Check Pilot, GS-1681-13 POD Gravelly Point, Va.	FS-940	283
ACPP-1020	Airplane Pilot, GS-1681-13 # Must have one year's experience in airspace and procedures work at the regional level or two years experience at the district office (FIDO) level. The incumbent will be the senior instructor responsible for developing course material and course outlines for a training course entitled "Airspace and Procedures." Must possess type rating in DC-3 and/or T-29 aircraft.	PT-954	#283

Please Note: Above positions (ACPP-1005 through AC-1020) are for existing vacancies and are "one-time" announcements.

(\* Requirements on file in Room 102, Headquarters Building.

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House of Representatives Acts on FAA's 1964 Fiscal Year Budget

On Thursday, October 10, 1963 the House of Representatives passed the Independent Offices Appropriation Bill for 1964 fiscal year. This bill includes funds for the FAA totaling \$750,610,000. The House reduced the \$815,100,000 requested in the President's budget for the Agency by a total of \$64,490,000. A summary of the action taken on the individual appropriations for the FAA is included in this INTERCOM.

The House reduction amounted to slightly more than 8% of the total request. The size of the cut is approximately that made by the House in considering the 1963 estimates. The reduction applied to FAA was significantly less than the 12% cut averaged by agencies included in the bill.

In explaining its action the Committee stated that "The Administrator has done an excellent job, and his job is a most difficult one. The Committee thinks this amount will enable him to continue to do an excellent job. There is no desire to restrict essential activities or endanger safety, but this agency consistently has received substantial increases in recent years and it is now time to level off."

Since the FAA believes that its budget as submitted by the President is basically sound, the Senate will be asked in a hearing scheduled for October 18 to restore most of the House-approved reductions. After Senate action, a compromise will be reached between the House and Senate which we hope will be significantly above House-approved levels. However, we must expect that some portion of the reductions will stand and that the Agency will have to finance its 1964 fiscal year programs with less than called for in the President's budget.

It is clear that the probable action on the 1964 appropriations will make it even more imperative that we improve our productivity and eliminate marginal activities. The reduction in headquarters staffing, which will save nearly \$1 million in the 1964 fiscal year and \$5 million in 1965, is one of the measures which will equip the Agency to live within its probable level of appropriations.

Of particular interest are the following features of the Committee Report and of the Appropriation Bill as passed by the House:

#### Funding of Aircraft Movement Information Service

The House specifically approved FAA funding of 342 positions required to provide aircraft movement information service (AMIS), an activity previously financed by the Department of Defense.

#### Washington Headquarters Staffing

The Committee stated that there were too many FAA employees in the District of Columbia who should be in the field and stated that it "upholds the Administrator's hand in making transfers to the field."

#### Flight Service Stations

The Committee asked that the Administrator give further study to the role and locations of Flight Service Stations. It further stated that "it appears that there are too many and that they are too expensive, but it realizes he has problems in trying to close some of them, although substantial savings would result."

#### Medical Services

The House retained for 1964 the 1963 limitation of 315 jobs and \$5, 100,000. The scope of the limitation was broadened to cover additional medical activities.

#### NAFEC Master Plan

Five million dollars was appropriated to begin the modernization of NAFEC in accordance with the master development plan.

#### Supersonic Transport

In approving the full \$60 million request for the commercial SST, the committee noted that "Feasibility studies confirm that a solid foundation of research and advanced industrial technology exists on which the United States can develop and build a supersonic airliner."

PROGRESS REPORT ON FAA'S FY '64 BUDGET

The House of Representatives has approved and sent to the Senate the Independent Offices Appropriations Bill for the fiscal year 1964 which includes funds for the FAA amounting to \$750,610,000. This compares to the 1963 appropriation and our budget estimates as follows:

<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>1963 FY</u>	<u>President's 1964 Budget</u>	<u>Enacted by House</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Operations	\$488,930,000	\$545,500,000	\$515,775,000	\$-29,725,000
Facilities and Equipment	125,000,000	127,000,000	110,000,000	-17,000,000
Grants-in-aid for airports (liquidation of contract authorization)	20,000,000	20,000,000	20,000,000	- - -
Grants-in-aid for airports	75,000,000	- - -	- - -	- - -
Research and Development	35,000,000	50,000,000	35,000,000	-15,000,000
Operation and Maintenance Washington National Airport	3,475,000	3,663,000	3,500,000	-163,000
Operation and Maintenance Dulles International Airport	3,276,600	4,337,000	3,810,000	-527,000
Construction, Washington National Airport	2,000,000	2,359,000	2,075,000	-284,000
Construction, Dulles International Airport	3,200,000	2,241,000	450,000	-1,791,000
Civil supersonic aircraft development	20,000,000	60,000,000	60,000,000	- - -
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>775,881,600</b>	<b>815,100,000</b>	<b>750,610,000</b>	<b>-64,490,000</b>

No funds for grants-in-aid for airports for 1965 are included in the bill because Congress has not completed action on extending the Act beyond 1964. The 1964 appropriation for this purpose was enacted by the previous session of Congress; and it is expected that 1965 funds will be provided later this year.

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UNITED APPEAL. The 1963 fund raising campaign for this humanitarian cause is in full swing. Government policy has long approved the solicitation of contributions from Federal personnel for the support of voluntary health and welfare agencies in our society. These worthy agencies complement and reinforce our tax-supported institutions in a manner that is vital to the community and the nation. It is hoped that all employees at the Aeronautical Center will avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to publicly display their interest in the welfare of their fellowmen by contributing generously to this important community endeavor.

AIRSPACE AND PROCEDURES. Two new courses in Flight Procedures were started at the FAA Academy on September 30 and October 7. A two-week addition to the Flight Inspection Pilot - Basic Course, S-FI-201, provides training for all new Flight Inspector Specialists. Airspace and Procedures, S-FI-403, is a separate three-week course which emphasizes the role of the Flight Standards representative in airspace matters at the regional or district office level. D. F. Johnson, Western Region and J. B. McDonnell, Central Region, were detailed to the Academy as instructors for the initial basic class. Instructors in the advanced course were H. L. Flohra from the Central Region and J. H. Parise from the Eastern Region.

AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL ASSOCIATION PICKS TOP CONTROLLER, FACILITY CHIEF. George N. Allgood, Facility Training Officer for the Atlanta, Georgia air traffic tower was cited as Controller of the Year by the Air Traffic Control Association at their 8th national meeting October 14-16 in Dallas, Texas. The ATCA Awards Committee also named George S. Baldwin, ATCS of the Oakland (Calif) ARTC as Runner-up Controller of the Year. Honorable Mention Controllers of the Year are: Dannie A. Patzner, ATCS, Minneapolis Tower, Minn.; James G. Kelley, ATCS, Roanoke Tower, Va.; and Robert P. Cross, San Antonio ARTC, Texas. Chicago O'Hare Tower was selected Facility of the Year; George Niles is Chief of O'Hare Tower. Runner-up Facility was Van Nuys Tower, California headed by Carl A. Swanson, Jr. The Key West Tower, Fla., headed by Martin Hansen, was selected for a Special Facility Award for group effort. Picked for Honorable Mention Facility of the Year: Miami ARTC Center, Miami, Fla.; Atlanta Tower, Atlanta; Oakland ARTC Center, Oakland, Calif.; Washington Tower, D.C.; Raleigh-Durham Tower Radar Facility, Raleigh, N.C.; and Loring RAPCON/Tower, Limestone, Maine. Representing the FAA were: Administrator Halaby, who delivered an address at the October 14 banquet; Robert H. Willey, FAA Assistant Administrator for Personnel and Training discussed agency personnel and training programs; Associate Administrator Dave Thomas received the "Medalion Award" for his contribution to air traffic control; the General Counsel, Nate Goodrich and the Director of Air Traffic Service, Lee Warren, participated on appropriate panels.

ATS WILL CONTROL INTERCEPTORS. Beginning February 1, 1964, interceptor operations under the jurisdiction of the Continental Air Defense Command (CONAD) will be conducted within the FAA air traffic control system, except for the critical phases of interception which will be handled by Air Defense facilities under special FAA-Air Force procedures. The joint agreement was made possible by the increased capacity and capability of the ATC system and is designed to reduce near misses between civil and military flights. All missions will be monitored by Air Defense Command controllers.

COINS IN THE DULLES FOUNTAIN. Coins totalling approximately \$200 a month are being retrieved from the reflecting pool at Dulles International Airport. To date some \$2,500 has been collected. During the budget hearings the Administrator asked the House Appropriations Committee for permission to donate all money so retrieved to a non profit organization (such as the Traveler's Aid Society) and FAA's FY 1964 appropriation bill contains a provision approving Mr. Halaby's proposal. If the Senate concurs, we can "Give until it Helps."

VISITORS' TIMETABLE. Jordan's Director-General of Civil Aviation, Emile Qubeisy, was welcomed to the FAA last week by Administrator Halaby and IA Director Raymond Maloy. He is here on a State Department Leader Grant. Later this month, FAA will greet British & French delegations on civil aviation authorities. The calendar also shows future visits by officials from Italy, Columbia, and Portugal.

TRANS WORLD AIRLINES TO PURCHASE FIRST AMERICAN-BUILT SST. Trans World Airlines has advised the U. S. Government of its intention to purchase the first American-built supersonic transport which is scheduled for delivery in 1970 carrying passengers at upward of 1500 miles an hour. TWA announced that it has committed with Administrator Halaby for 6 American-built supersonic aircraft and that it has deposited a check for \$600,000 with the FAA as an initial payment on the order.

UNITED NATIONS DAY. Thursday, October 24, has been proclaimed United Nations Day by President Kennedy. Citizens everywhere are asked to observe the day and demonstrate their faith in the U. N. by taking part in community programs highlighting the substantial accomplishments of the U. N. during the 18 years it has been in existence. The Administrator calls the President's request to the attention of all employees in Washington and the field, and has requested that literature concerning the aims, problems and achievements of the U. N. be posted on bulletin boards.

FACT BOOK WILL BE ISSUED SEMI-ANNUALLY. The Air Traffic Service plans to publish its ATS Fact Book semi-annually now that air traffic programs have stabilized to the point where information is not changing with sufficient frequency to warrant a quarterly edition. Next issue will be December 31, 1963 and following that June 30, 1964.

NEW FAA BOOK TELLS HOW TO FIGURE AIRPORT CAPACITY. How much traffic an airport can handle, in terms of aircraft movements and delay, is the subject of a 20-chapter report prepared under FAA contract by Airborne Instruments Laboratory (AIL), Division of Cutler-Hammer, L. I., N. Y. The report contains a series of tables and charts which will permit users to determine the capacity of a given airport configuration, to relate the capacity to traffic demand, and to analyze the interaction between airport capacity and demand, and airport changes and improvements. Copies of "Airport Capacity" can be obtained from the Department of Commerce, Office of Technical Services, Washington, D. C., 20553, Order No. PB-181553, price \$4.00 per copy.

'COPTERS FOR WORLD'S FAIR. After getting advisory assistance from the FAA, the Port of New York Authority built a rooftop heliport for next year's World's Fair. The heliport has been leased to the United Aircraft Corporation. After FAA approval, New York Airways will also be able to conduct operations on a scheduled basis during the Fair.

ANOTHER BEST-SELLER FOR FAA. The demand for the FAA's "Private Pilot Training Guide" far exceeded expectations and the Government Printing Office reports that their initial printing of 7,500 copies has been sold out. Plaudits from U. S. News and World Report and Kiplinger's Changing Times helped stimulate the public enthusiasm. A second printing has made additional copies available for \$1.00 from the Superintendent of Public Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C.

ATC FILM HAS DEBUT. The Agency's newest motion picture, "A Traveler Meets Air Traffic Control," had its premiere showing at the Air Traffic Controller's convention now in progress at Dallas. The film is in color, runs for 33 minutes, and tells the story of the controller and the ATC system. After November 15, copies will be available for public showing from the Film Library at the Aeronautical Center.

CENTER EMPLOYEE SELECTED BY NASA. Dean Grimm, Aerospace Engineer, assigned to the Boeing 720 Section of Flight Standards Training Division of the FAA Academy has been selected by NASA and assigned to Houston, Texas to work directly with the astronauts. Mr. Grimm has been with the Academy since June 1961. He joined the FAA after working with Boeing in Seattle, Washington. At Boeing he worked as an aerodynamicist in the certification of the Boeing 707/720 type air transports. He is a graduate from the University of Kansas with a degree in aeronautical engineering. Mr. Grimm formerly flight tested the B-58 supersonic bomber for Convair.

PROMOTION PLAN ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AERONAUTICAL CENTER EMPLOYEES ONLY 10-14-63

Closing Date: 10-23-63. The best qualified applicants will be selected for these positions regardless of race, color, creed or national origin.

<u>ACPP Number</u>	<u>Position Title, Grade &amp; Series</u>	<u>Position Location</u>	<u>Key Number</u>
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The following positions are announced for the purpose of establishing rosters.

ACPP-3	Clerk-Typist, GS-332-4	Aero. Center	254
ACPP-4	Offset Press Operator, WB-4417-7	Aero. Center	242
ACPP-5	Mobile Equipment Body and Fender Repairer, WB-3809-08	Aero. Center	*On File
ACPP-6	Mobile Equipment Body and Fender Repairer, WB-3809-10	Aero. Center	*On File
ACPP-7	Digital Computer Programmer, GS-331-9	Aero. Center	165

The following positions are for existing vacancies:

ACPP-1021	Supv. Clerk (Typing) GS-301-4	PT-975	269
ACPP-1022	Teletypist, GS-385-5	AC-47	248
ACPP-1023	Painter, WB-4102-09	AC-55	289
ACPP-1024	Acctg. Tech. (Cost Acctg), GS-525-6	AC-22	187
ACPP-1010	#CORRECTION Aircraft Brake Repairer Lead Foreman, WS-8260-6	FS-995.5	*On File

(\*) Requirements on file in Room 102, Headquarters Building.

(#) Please resubmit applications (AC-135.1) for corrected positions.

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FAA RECEIVES COMMENDATION FROM SAC. Gen. Thomas S. Power, Commander-in-Chief, Strategic Air Command, sent Administrator Halaby the following message: "The outstanding cooperation and assistance rendered by the personnel at CARF (Central Altitude Reservation Facility) and Air Traffic Centers contributed a great deal to the success of the recent B-58 record flights. Please pass my congratulations to all concerned for a job well done."

Last Wednesday, October 16, a B-58 hustler streaked from Tokyo to London a distance of 8028 statute miles in 8 hours 35 minutes to set a world's speed record and more than half the previous record time. Averaging 938 mph the supersonic jet sped at Mach 2 between the five aerial refueling rendezvous at which point it was necessary to drop down in speed for the transfer of fuel. Last weeks speed run was a part of the SAC mission to emphasize the importance of manual weapons systems and ability to respond quickly and to reach strategic targets half way around the globe in minimum time. Crew of the flight were Aircraft Commander Major S. J. Kubesch; Navigator Major J. O. Barrett; Defense System Operator Captain G. R. Williamson - all from the 305 Bomber Wing, Bunker Hill Air Force Base, Indiana.

FIRST AERONAUTICAL CENTER MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE. The Aeronautical Center is presenting the first Management Institute to be conducted following the transfer of this program from the Washington Office to the Regions and the Aeronautical Center. Russell A. Myers is directing this Management Institute with participants from the Aeronautical Center, the Southwest Region, and the Central Region. Those attending the Institute will have an opportunity to hear outstanding Agency personnel, professors from various universities, staff members, and outside authorities in the field of management, through the media of lectures, group discussions, and workshops.

Sixty four Aeronautical Center employees are scheduled to attend between now and July 1964. The Aeronautical Center, Southwest Region, and Central Region will conduct a total of six Management Institutes.

FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FAA. The Fifth Anniversary of the Federal Aviation Agency will be observed during the week of October 25 - November 3. The Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce will honor the Agency and the Aeronautical Center at a special Forum at the noon luncheon on October 31.

FOREIGN VISITORS AT AERONAUTICAL CENTER. The Center has been host the last several days to two foreign visitors. They are Major General Neils Soderberg of Sweden and Emile Najib Quibeisi, Director General of Civil Aviation, Amman, Jordan.

THE BUDGET. Hearings on the Agency's budget for the 1964 before the Senate Appropriations Sub-Committee on Independent Offices were postponed from Friday October 18, to Wednesday October 30. The Senate will be asked to restore a major portion of the House-approved reductions. There will still be several weeks before there is an exact figure on the Agency's FY 1964 appropriations. Meanwhile, under a ruling which has the effect of law, the FAA is operating at the June 30, 1963 level.

BUREAU OF BUDGET SCHEDULES HEARING ON 1965 ESTIMATES. The formal hearing on the Agency's requests for funds for the 1965 fiscal year will be held by the Bureau of the Budget on October 28, 1963. The 1965 budget levels for the Agency will not be known until December.

U. S. AIR CARRIERS INDICATE INTENTIONS TO PURCHASE 29 SSTs. The FAA has received indications from four U. S. air carriers to purchase a total of 29 supersonic aircraft. At this time, the Agency has received checks from TWA and Pan American for 21. American Airlines has indicated its intention to purchase six of the aircraft. Flying Tigers has indicated an interest in two.

I & M CONFERENCE. Division Chiefs and other IM officials from Headquarters and the field get together in Washington this week for a 3-day meeting--October 21-23. They plan to discuss Washington and field relationships under the decentralization program, and to explore in depth the provision of Project "Liquid Look," which calls for close scrutiny of the Facilities and Equipment program for the purpose of developing an expedited and balanced work program schedule and re-evaluating all programs at the project level.

SAFETY MEETINGS. FAA Occupational Safety Officers will hold their third annual meeting in Chicago in conjunction with the annual Federal Safety Conference starting October 27. The FAA Safety Officers will discuss the past year's activities and progress and will formulate plans for 1964.

TOUR OF CENTER BY OKLAHOMA EDUCATION ASSOCIATION. Approximately 400 teachers attending the Oklahoma Education Association in Oklahoma City will tour the Aeronautical Center October 24 and 25. These tours are sponsored by the Frontiers of Science Foundation of Oklahoma, Inc. in cooperation with the Oklahoma Education Association. This will be the second annual tour of the Center.

FOR PRIVATE PILOTS. The Private Pilot Handbook of Aeronautical Knowledge covers all subject areas in which an applicant for private pilot certification may be tested, with the exception of pertinent Federal Aviation Regulations. The new manual can be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. for \$2.50.

FRONT AND CENTER. At a brief military ceremony in General Grant's office last week three Air Force officers, recently assigned to the Agency, were decorated for outstanding performance of duty in their former organizations. Col. Charles W. Bagstad, SRDS, Systems Design Team, received the Commendation Medal. Oak Leaf Clusters, denoting the second award of the Commendation Medal, went to Lt. Col. Kenneth G. Buglass, Office of Management Services, and Maj. Thomas D. Alexander, ATS. Before joining FAA last July, Colonel Bagstad was Commanding Officer, 4347 Combat Crew Training Wing, McConnell AFB, Kan.; Lt. Col. Buglass came to the Agency in July, from a Pentagon assignment in the Office of the Director of Manpower and Organization; Major Alexander's previous assignment was Commanding Officer, 17th Tactical Reconnaissance Sqdn., Laone, France.

VISITORS FROM GUINEA. Sekiv Yaya Diallo, Guinea's Director-General of Civil Aviation, was in Washington last week. He spent two days at Headquarters speaking with Mr. Halaby, Raymond B. Maloy, Assistant Administrator, Office of International Aviation Affairs, and other top FAA officials. Members of the party included the former Guinean Director-General of Civil Aviation Albert Karouma, who is now Director of Air Regulations, and Mamedi Cisses, Managing Director of Air Guinea.

SHORT AND SWEET. A simplified position description format designed to trim wordiness is now being used in most of the regions on a trial basis. The basic approach is similar to the one described in the supervisor's handbook, PT P 3510.2.

WHEN IN DOUBT, GET YOUR HANDBOOK OUT. Supervisors should receive copies of the new Absence and Leave Handbook by the end of October. The informative guide will answer a variety of questions raised by employees concerning annual, sick and home leave. Three new handbooks pertaining to wage board employees, classified employees, and overtime, night, and holiday pay are in various stages of revision to include suggestions made by regions. The one aimed at WBs will be new to the FAA. The other two update existing policy.

EARHART SCHOLARSHIPS. Zonta International has announced that applications for the 26th Annual Amelia Earhart Scholarships will be accepted until February 1, 1964. These grants, \$2500 each, are made each year to qualified women for advanced study in the aeronautical sciences. Complete information will be provided by Zonta's headquarters office, 59 East Van Buren Street, Chicago 5, Illinois.

PROMOTION PLAN ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR AERONAUTICAL CENTER EMPLOYEES ONLY 10-21-63

Closing Date: 10-30-63. The best qualified applicants will be selected for these positions regardless of race, color, creed or national origin. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED IN THE PERSONNEL OFFICE (AC-14) AFTER 4:30 P.M. ON CLOSING DATE WILL BE RETURNED.

<u>ACPP Number</u>	<u>Position, Title, Grade &amp; Series</u>	<u>Position Location and</u>	<u>Key Number</u>
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The following are announced for the purpose of establishing promotion rosters in accordance with Aeronautical Center Order AC 3330.3 dated 9-27-63. All interested employees throughout the Aeronautical Center should submit requests for consideration since these positions may not be reannounced for a period of 90 days.

ACPP-8	Aircraft Mechanic, WB-8852-8	FS-995.5	91
ACPP-9	Aircraft Mechanic, WB-8852-10	FS-995.5	91

The following are announced for the purpose of filling specific vacancies. The Area of Consideration for each position is as indicated. Requests submitted by employees outside the designated area of consideration will not be accepted.

ACPP-1025	Area of Consideration is Control Systems Division and Operns Airman Examination Section Clerk, GS-301-4	FS-945	269
ACPP-1026	Area of Consideration is Aeronautical Center Navigational Aids Analyst, GS-301-7	FS-930	*On File
ACPP-1027	Area of Consideration is Aeronautical Center Aerospace Engineer & Pilot, GS-861-13	PT-957	*On File
ACPP-1028	Area of Consideration is Aviation Medical Service Division under Aeronautical Center appointing jurisdiction Research Psychologist, GS-180-9	AM-118	*On File

(\*) Requirements on file Room 102, Headquarters Building.

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CHAMBER TO HOST FAA IN HONOR OF FIFTH ANNIVERSARY. The Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce will honor the Federal Aviation Agency and the Aeronautical Center this Thursday, October 31st, at a downtown luncheon. To be present for the luncheon will be Alan Dean, Associate Administrator for Administration, William Schulte, Assistant Administrator for General Aviation Affairs, and the speaker for the occasion, Gordon Bain, Deputy Administrator for Supersonic Transport Development. Lewis Bayne, Aeronautical Center Manager, will introduce the Washington FAA people present as well as those representing the Southwest Region. The 5th anniversary of the FAA will be November 1, 1963. However, a ten-day period from October 25th through November 3rd has been set aside to honor the Agency. All FAA employees are welcome.

PERSONNEL DATA SUMMARY. The availability of the new Personnel Data Summary, FAA Form 2062, has been somewhat limited since the new promotion plan went into effect. As a result of the limited number available, the supply was quickly exhausted. The Personnel Data Summary is now available and should be requested through normal supply channels. You are again asked to be conservative when requesting this form in order not to deplete the supply again.

APPLICATION FOR PROMOTION. The Promotion Application Sheet, AC Form 135-1, is to be completed by any candidate who is desirous of being considered for a vacancy under the new promotion plan. This form will be used by the Placement Branch for purposes of establishing a roster from which the selecting official will fill vacancies. One copy of this form will be immediately returned to the candidate to verify receipt of the application by the Placement Branch. Another copy of the application sheet will be returned to the candidate after a review of the records has been made to determine that the candidate is qualified. This copy will show you are eligible or ineligible. You must place your routing symbol on the application sheet beside your name so the copies can be returned promptly.

NEW DIRECTOR OF POLICY DEVELOPMENT. M. Cecil Mackey will succeed Frank E. Loy as Director of the Office of Policy Development on November 1. Mackey comes to the FAA from Capitol Hill where he was Assistant Counsel for the U. S. Senate Anti-Trust Subcommittee. The Office of Policy Development formulates long-range FAA objectives and fundamental policies, as well as developing cost-benefit and economic studies pertinent to Agency needs. Loy will stay with the Agency for a short time as special consultant to Mr. Halaby.

CENTER CONSOLIDATIONS. Approximately 700 air traffic controllers are in various stages of being relocated and absorbed by other centers without loss of grade or salary. When the consolidations are completed, approximately 1440 controllers will have been involved and the number of centers reduced by 8. Centers already closed or now being phased out include Detroit, St. Louis, Norfolk, Phoenix, Pittsburgh, Spokane and El Paso. New Orleans and San Antonio are scheduled to be combined into a new center at Houston at a later date. The consolidations will take advantage of the increased individual productivity permitted by enlarged areas of center responsibility. A net reduction of 547 positions will also be made over a period of time principally due to the decreased need for administrative and support personnel.

WEBB MOVES OVER TO PROGRAMS. Jack G. Webb, former Assistant Chief of the Flight Inspection and Procedures Division of Flight Standards, has been named Special Assistant to the Associate Administrator for Programs, David D. Thomas. Webb will assist Thomas in planning and coordinating the programs of Air Traffic Service, Flight Standards, Systems Maintenance, and Airports Service.

BROWN TO CHAIR ICAO MONTREAL MEET. Albert Brown, Assistant Director for Systems Design has been designated Panel Chairman of the International Civil Aviation Organization meeting in Montreal, Canada, October 28-November 16 to discuss Air Traffic Control automation. Other SRDS personnel attending: Russell Biermann, Neal Blake, Walter Felton, and Bar-Atid Arad, Israel government liaison officer to the FAA.

CONFEREES. Eleven Agency executives including Central Region Director John M. Beardslee and Southwest Region Director Archie W. League have been selected to attend the 1963-64 series of conferences conducted by the Brookings Institution. The conferences will deal with general matters of management. Others are John C. Mercer, NAFEC; Nelson F. Barritt and William C. Knoepfle, Central Region; Edward C. Marsh, Western Region; Dr. Albert Cierebiej and Norman Thompson, Pacific Region; and Cole H. Morrow, Daniel E. Barrow and James F. Rudolph, Washington Headquarters.

THREE FOR THE ROAD. Three SRDS employees will present technical papers at three widely separated points in the next two weeks. Paul T. Astholz, RD-60, will discuss "Application of Air Derived Data to Air Traffic Separation Problems" in Chicago, October 28, before the National Electronics Conference. On November 1, Walter N. Pike, RD-90, will address the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Symposium at Albuquerque on the Technological Explosion. On the same day John C. Mercer, RD-75, (NAFEC), will address the South East Airport Managers Association at Roanoke, Virginia.

NAATS HONORS "FLIGHT SERVICE SPECIALIST OF THE YEAR": Ford W. Hubbert, Flight Service Specialist of the Oklahoma City FSS, was presented the 1963 National Association of Air Traffic Specialists award at the NAATS Convention in Oklahoma City this month. The presentation was made by David Hahn, president of NAATS. Edward Danko, Flight Service Specialist at the Dayton, Ohio FSS, received the annual Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association award. Among those attending were Administrator Halaby who delivered an address at the October 4 banquet; Dave Thomas, Associate Administrator for Programs; and Robert H. Willey, Assistant Administrator for Personnel and Training.

MRS. MILLS HONORED BY "HER KIDS." Audrey Mills, who is known throughout FAA for her efforts in helping bring our lovely ladies and young men from Pennsylvania and West Virginia to the Agency, was honored by the nearly 500 still with the Agency at a party given her in Washington in the Executive Dining Room Oct. 25, upon the occasion of her retirement. Mrs. Mills was presented with an engraved silver tray, a scroll with the signatures and best wishes of those honoring her, and letters of commendation and appreciation from the Governors of West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Mrs. Mills will retire with 15 years of government service, 6½ of which has been with FAA and CAA engaged in clerical recruitment. In her tenure, Mrs. Mills has tested and offered jobs to over 1300 young people; 850 of whom reported for work in Washington.

SST HEARINGS AND MEETINGS SPEED UP. Senatore Monroney's Commerce Subcommittee has been holding hearings on FAA's SST development program with airline, airframe, powerplant and association witnesses. Gordon Bain, Deputy Administrator for Supersonic Transport Development, and the Administrator will be the "clean up" witnesses this week. They also met last Friday with airline and airframe officials on the allocation of delivery positions including the 29 "orders" received to date. These represent a potential backlog of around \$700 million for the US SST.