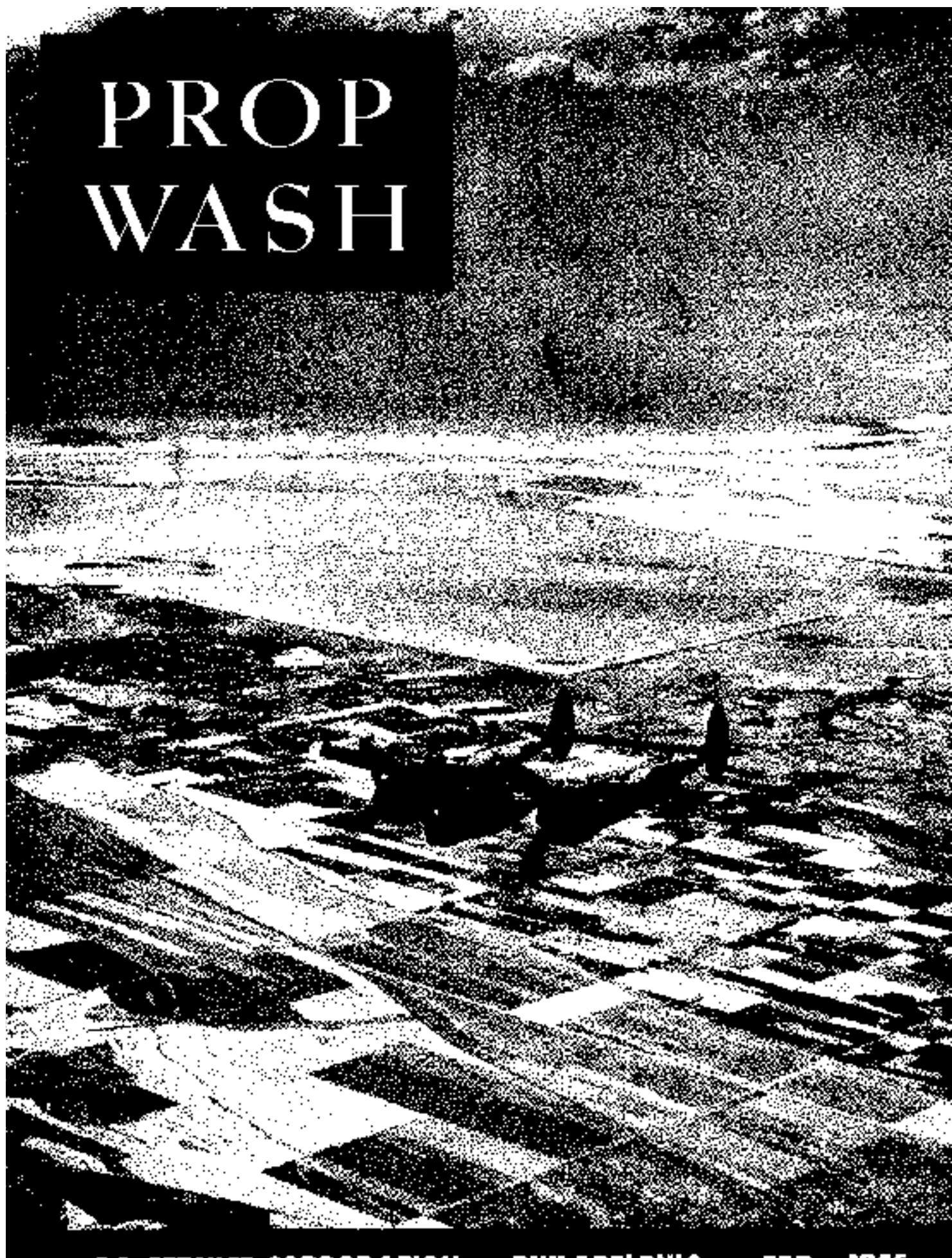


PROP WASH



WHO NEEDS HEALTH CARE?

Good Health is a blessing we take for granted until something happens to it. Then we hurry to a doctor to have him put the wonderful machine we call body back in top condition.

There are no "Good Old Days" as far as medical science is concerned. It gets better all the time but hospital, medical and surgical care cost more than ever before. Ten years ago the average rate for a semi-private room was \$3.00; in Philadelphia today, the average rate is \$12.50 with some hospitals charging as high as \$17. Ten years ago, nurses were paid \$65.00 a month for a 12 hour shift; today, they are paid \$200 a month for an 8 hour shift. To meet these rising hospital costs, Blue Cross was compelled to raise subscriber rates last July 1, 1957. However, the Master Agreement between Aero and Blue Cross is on a calendar year basis, so that Aero personnel have enjoyed the lower rates six months longer than most people.

The Company has absorbed in full the premium increases on the employees' portion of all contracts. This is in accordance with the Company policy which provides 100% Company paid hospitalization for all permanent employees with six months or more of service. Married employees may include their spouse and children in their contracts at an additional cost according to the revised schedule as indicated below.

Aero's Special Comprehensive Agreement with the Philadelphia Blue Cross provides our subscribing employees with outstanding hospitalization coverage. When you or yours must go to a bonafide hospital, semi-private accommodations are available without cost up to seventy (70) days for any confinement and there is no monetary limit on such auxiliary items such as drugs, laboratory tests and examinations or X ray studies. Remember too, that these benefits apply regardless of where you are hospitalized—in the Philadelphia area, while on a field assignment or when you are on vacation away from Philadelphia.



BY THE WAY DO YOU HAVE BLUE CROSS?

It is important that you keep the Personnel Department promptly advised of any changes in your contract status. All new enrollments or changes in contracts of present subscribers (i.e. single contract to husband and wife contract, additions of births or deletion of a member from contract) are reported the first of each month and *protection starts immediately* with the exception of maternity coverage where there is a required waiting period of 8 months on Blue Cross and 12 months on Blue Shield.



MONTHLY RATES FOR GROUP HOSPITALIZATION

TYPE OF CONTRACT	Blue Cross Employee Cost		Blue Shield Surgical		Blue Shield Medical-Surgical	
	1st 6 mos.	After 6 mos.	Plan A	Plan B	Plan A	Plan B
Single Subscriber	\$1.81	none	\$.60	\$.85	\$1.10	\$1.45
Husband and Wife (no children; no maternity benefits)	4.92	\$3.11	1.40	2.10	2.20	3.35
Husband and Wife (with maternity benefits)	5.83	4.02	2.30	3.30	3.25	4.60
Family	5.83	4.02	2.30	3.30	3.25	4.60
Widow(er) and one unmarried child under 19 years	3.62	1.81	1.40	2.10	2.20	3.35
Widow(er) and two or more unmarried children under 19	4.92	3.11	2.30	3.30	3.25	4.60

Note: THE SUBSIDIARY OFFICES are being advised as to the changes in individual rates and Company contribution according to the particular Blue Cross Plan of their Area.

NEW PARTICIPANTS

AERO Profit Sharing and Retirement Program

Adams, D. J.
Allen, R. B.
Arzt, C. W.
Berkowitz, M. L.
Blood, E. J.
Burke, W. J.
*Cleary, F. J.
Danet, J. F.
Diobine, R. J.
Dowd, H. E.
Erling, R. H.
Farrell, B.
Fogarty, W. E.
Freer, R. K.
Garabedian, G.
Goldblatt, R. C.
Gray, S. P.
Grillidi, J. R.
Heitz, R. S.
Henderson, J. A.
Hirschbuhl, J.
Hujkins, J. P.
Irvine, B. J.
Laacs, K. N.
Johnston, R. P.
Jones, J. J.
Kahorn, C. J.
Kaplan, I. R.
Lampe, G. W.
Lason, T. S.
Law, R. P.
Ludick, A. J.
McNamara, F. J.
McPeak, J. J., Jr.
McPeak, T.
MacFough, R. B.
Malot, W.
Marby, D. J.
Mardiers, G.
Mestichelli, M. A.
Mulholland, L. J.
Myland, E. C.
O'Neil, T. C.
Orr, G. A. B.
Ott, H.
Overholt, G. A.

Pattison, W. J.
Raymond, D. W.
Riecker, J. P.
Robson, C. M.
Schertman, G. R.
Schmel, H. J.
Schmidt, M.
Schrandt, B. W.
Sengpiel, G. J.
Sheukle, J. E.
Smith, R. A.
Stepler, F. B.
Stephenson, W.
Swyer, E. L. L.
Sztukowski, E. A.
Talis, A. P.
Tehn, R.
Trevina, H. W.
Vila, H. S.
Villiard, M.
*White, S. T., Jr.
Yates, S.
Young, J. C.



AERO's contribution to the Plan will be announced about March 15th. In the following month all participants will be notified of the amount in their individual accounts.

* Denotes Army Service Corporation Veterans

HOW YOU CAN INCREASE AERO SALES

With Aero's new products and expanding business we are receiving an increasing number of phone calls from clients and potential new customers who call MI 4-8500. Too often, they get a busy signal and we run the chance of losing a potential sale.

We can solve this problem quickly by asking people to call MI 4-0350. If you are expecting a call from other business concerns or your family, please ask them to call MI 4-0350.

AERO EMPLOYEE PICTURED IN NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC

Check pages 128-29 of the January issue of *National Geographic Magazine* for a picture of a Canton Island classroom. The teacher is Dan DiBono, now a geographer with Relief Model Compilation. Before joining Aero last September, Dan spent two years on Canton as a teacher for the Office of Territories, U.S. Department of Interior.

When Dan arrived, they had an old mess hall ready but no desks, windows or books. After solving these problems, classes started. Dan's class was quite varied. Along with American, British, Chinese, Hawaiian and Japanese children, there were a few from the Gilbert Islands. Canton sounds like an interesting place from Dan's description but not the place to go on a weekend. It's in the South Pacific, 7,000 miles from Philadelphia.

TOP OF THE NATION NEWS

Personnel of Aero Western's office at the top of the nation in Duluth have been gritting their teeth for the vigorous winter. So far, the usual minus 30-60 degree weather and piles of snow have failed to materialize and they have had to settle for a compromising minus seven.

There is no shortage of ice however, as it is reported to be 18 inches thick on Superior Bay. Sam White and Gerhardi Kowc can save toll charges, if they wish, by walking to Duluth across the bay from their homes in Superior, Wisconsin.

Don Blandford recently bade farewell to his Plymouth, a victim of Duluth's icy streets. Don also had a bit more trouble with the ice when he went fishing recently and spent the better part of the day just making a hole down to where the fish live.

The cold snap has encouraged Bill Secstrom to risk his Chevrolet by driving back and forth across Swan Lake, a favorite fishing ground.

We're happy to report that Rod Winslow's Chrysler continues to start these mornings despite sitting out each night and he assures us it's a little gem.

WELCOME TO NEW EMPLOYEES

Welcome back to William Stephenson, Magnetometer, Rodney Feling, Flight Operations, and Manuel Schatz, Relief Model, all of whom have just returned to Aero after a stretch of duty with Uncle Sam.

Anne Louise Blake, Gerald Kameckers and Robert C. Thomson joined the Eastern Tax Mapping staff during December. Welcome aboard!

AERO BOWLING NEWS

Since the last issue of Prop Wash went to press, the two teams representing Aero have finished the first half of the season in the Lynne Lane Industrial League. The Engineering team finished in first place and the Shop team in ninth. The boys on the Engineering say they are going to do the same in the second half and thus eliminate a play-off for the league championship. The Engineering team had high team series and team single while the Shop had fourth team single. Individually, George Hamilton and Bill Hoffman of Engineering and Art Veit and Gordon Roser of Shop all won single prizes. We hope the boys fare as well in the second half.

We offer apologies to Kurt Haug, whose name was omitted from the Engineering team in our previous issue and to George Hamilton who was credited with Bill Hoffman's scores. George had a 259 high single and 381 series in the first half.

In the Aero Company League, the race is really close. Six teams were formed last September and have now completed forty-two games. The Panthers are in first place leading the second place Lions by one point as we go to press. The lead has changed several times and the Cougars have held the title the longest.

Al Chew of the Tigers was the first kegler to break into the high scoring with a 198. High single score is held at the moment by Bill Spunheimer who turned on 216 while Tom Bull holds the title for high series.

The girls are getting real enjoyment from these Wednesday night sessions. Helen Gauspohl has the edge in the high average department with 110 but Mary Lou Berkowitz is close behind. The way Barbara Knipp, Connie Robson, Dottie Boguski and Mary Binner have been going of late, the fellows will really have to bear down.

AERO COUPLE ENGAGED

Wedding bells will ring out on May 21st at the Falls Presbyterian Church for another Aero couple. Darcy Dugan and Al Ludik, both of the Engineering Department, announced their engagement at Christmas. Congratulations and best wishes to them both!

ANNE FRYE SMITH

FIRST AERO WOMAN TO RETIRE UNDER COMPANY PROGRAM

Anne Frye Smith, of Photo Triangulation, retired January 7, after thirteen years of outstanding service. Little did she realize the morning of March 30, 1942, when she began work here, that Aero, then employing approximately 80, would expand more than ten times; nor did she realize that she would go down in the Company's history as the first woman to retire and an outstanding example of a woman who made full use of her many aptitudes.

The Company's progress through the past thirteen years can be well illustrated by Mrs. Smith's many achievements. She was first employed by the Drafting Section of Engineering Division as a junior draftsman and by 1945, when she joined the Photo Triangulation Section, she had advanced her rating to senior draftsman. Anne was also one of the first to compile maps in the Magnetometer Division under Fern O'Malley. In the Photo Triangulation Section, under Gus Winter, she had been in charge of the write-up and styling of Photo Maps.



Anne was graduated from Drexel Institute of Technology in 1912 with a degree in Architecture and also attended the Philadelphia School of Design and the Academy of Fine Arts. Her personal achievements have surpassed her splendid educational background for she has made diligent use of all her natural capabilities. Her home in Oreland, where she now resides, was designed by her and she has exhibited her paintings many times. Her outside activities include membership in The Presbyterian Church of Glenside, the Art Alliance and a local bridge club. Because of her modesty, Anne has not told us about many of her accomplishments. However, there is no withdrawal of pride when the subject is her twin daughters, Annette and Francis, or her two fine grandsons.

On January 6th, fellow employers and friends bid a fond good-bye to Anne. A group attended a dinner in her honor at the Schwarzwald Inn where a farewell gift was presented and a speech was given in her behalf by Eric Sturms as he presented her with a well earned re-



irement check. When Anne accepted the check with the well wishes from all her friends at Aero, she reminisced over her experiences and stated, "On the occasion of my retirement from service with Aero Service Corporation, I extend to you all my heartiest appreciation for the kindness, generosity and help most freely given me during my past service. I leave with nothing but kindness in my heart and best wishes to everyone and hope that when you drive out Oreland way, you will stop at 'Dogwood Flat' and say 'hello'."

AERO SERVICES DESCRIBED TO MINING INDUSTRY

On January 11th, Aero representatives described to 500 leaders of the Mining Industry the services offered by Aero. The meeting, held in Duluth, was jointly sponsored by the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers and the University of Minnesota School of Mines.

Eion Dando, Dr. William Appes, A. O. Quinn, and Tom O'Brien discussed the problems encountered by a mining company contemplating a complete mineral exploration program and presented the methods and techniques Aero can offer to provide a solution. The discussion was very well received and publicized our activities in the area of aerial exploration.

CONNIE COSTANZO FETED AT SHOWER

Showers of good wishes and gifts fell on Connie Costanzo of Accounting on January 5th when she was guest of honor at a surprise shower given by Helen Schmidt. Connie came to Helen's to see her Christmas tree and to meet her daughter who was visiting for the holidays. She was really surprised to find all the girls waiting for her when she arrived. Eleanor Immanuel kept all the girls amused over ice cream, cake and coffee when she read back the shorthand transcript of Connie's comments on each package. Everything was wonderful.

Flight Reports

As PROP WASH goes to press, AERO crews are located in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Honduras, the Middle-East, South America, Texas, Vermont and Virginia.

Harry Moore has just returned to Merrer Field from Oklahoma, where he picked up the newest addition to Flight Operations, an ARCO ANSON. This British plywood job, powered with two Pratt-Whitney R-985's, will be used for electronic survey projects.

Lee Burton, just back from vacation, is in Miami with Homer Rodriguez and Whit Smith, while Dwight Oehlerking is at Philadelphia preparing for the next project. Bud Hammond and Dean Turner have now joined Gil Stoll and Ed Darrow on the highway project in Virginia. The snow moved South right along with them. Al Bemyworth and Bill Wong have arrived in Texas and are continuing work in that area.

The B-17 in the Middle East has been doing a fine job and will be getting an engine change in the near future.

The Lear L-2 Auto Pilot has proven very satisfactory in the Cosna 195 and additional installations of this aid are being contemplated.

During 1964, AERO P-98's did extensive high altitude photography in various parts of the country. They have been away from their home base for more than a year and their efficiency and operations are a tribute to the pilots, photographers and mechanics with them. During this period, complete engine changes have been made, which required considerable resourcefulness to track down equipment such as the mobile cranes necessary to lift engines in and out of the aircraft. Major overhaul work was done in Burbank, California and Tulsa, Oklahoma, but the important thing has been that the crews kept the ships flying under all conditions.

SOCIAL SECURITY COSTS INCREASE

Starting with 1955, Social Security rates will be 2% of all earnings up to \$4,200. Last year, the 2% assessment affected only the first \$3,600 of your income. The deduction from each pay check will be the same but more checks will be affected. Aero matches the deductions dollar for dollar.

If you received compensation from more than one employer in 1964, it is possible that your Social Security deductions could total more than \$72. If this did occur, you may apply the excess to pay your Federal Income Tax for 1964. If you worked for Aero in Philadelphia and also were paid by any Aero subsidiary or other company, the total amount of your Social Security deductions can be determined from your withholding statements from each employer.

BANK LOANS AVAILABLE AT REDUCED RATE

Arrangements have recently been made with the Pennsylvania Company for Aero Service Corporation employees to apply for unsecured personal loans at a five (5) percent per annum interest rate. The minimum loan obtainable at this interest rate is \$100.

For the convenience of our employees, the Personnel Department has a supply of loan application forms as well as promisory note forms. Usually, only 18 hours is required by the bank to process the loan papers and mail a check to the applicant's residence.

Please contact a member of the Personnel Department if you have any additional questions.

SWITCHBOARD OPERATORS PRAISED BY BELL TELEPHONE

Ruth Hess and Jeanette Adams were recently complimented by officials of Bell Telephone for their courteous and efficient service on Aero's switchboard.

Now located in the basement of the new Administration Building, they have new equipment but the same old problems. PROP WASH for July, 1964 gave a few of the problems they face and their courtesy and prompt service under such conditions more than merits this line commendation.

Periodically the telephone company makes a survey on all PBX operators. Naturally, the operator does not know when this is taking place. On January 13th, a survey was taken on our switchboard and it might be interesting to know that the following statement was made and signed by an official of the Bell Telephone Company:

"This is an excellent survey which shows real improvement over the last survey. All items are in fine shape, particularly plug-ins, cradles to track signals and accuracy items. Congratulations to the PBX attendant!" Signed—Robert Rowland.

In order to help our operators keep up this good work on our new board, it is very important that you give your extension number or the number of the extension you are using when placing a long distance call. This enables the operators to ring you as soon as the call is completed. If you are expecting a call and must leave your office for awhile, telling the operator where she can reach you not only helps her do a better job but it also gives the party calling you better service. If you leave the building for any reason, it is a good idea to tell the receptionist where you can be reached and approximately how long you will be gone. If a call comes in and you cannot be reached, your call is automatically put through to the reception desk so it would be wise to check with the receptionist on your return to pick up telephone messages.

SHOP ACTIVITIES — 1954

What with new buildings, new equipment, and increased business in general, AERO's Shops have completed one of the busiest years to date.

The Mechanical Engineering Section and the Machine Shop designed and manufactured aircraft camera mounts for our new T-11 precision mapping cameras for a rush foreign project and is now completing a convergent camera mount for the same units. A number of view finders were made for various new cameras and camera repair and maintenance was required on all equipment. Ed Bowker did a particularly fine job on the field maintenance of the cartographic cameras in our P-58's.

New Kelsb plotters and Multiplex units were manufactured for the Photogrammetry Department and considerable maintenance and modification work was performed on existing units.

For the Magnetometer Division, Aeropath strip cameras were manufactured with wide angle lens adaptors and remote aperture control. For the Canadian project, modifications to the Sigma Auled Tracker were designed and produced. Universal and Vertical Sketchmasters and Refracting Stencils were manufactured for sale to industry and considerable design work is in progress on Research and Development Projects.

The Maintenance Department completed the tremendous task of moving the offices and equipment into the new Administration Building and the many office changes which have followed in the old building. In addition to this, they have had to step-up production of boxes and crates for the increasing sales of Relief Maps as well as the packaging of shipments to foreign projects.

Throughout the year, the Maintenance Department has the continuing job of repairing electrical, heating and plumbing services and making light tables, bookcases, and similar furnishings.

NEW HOMES AT AERO

Jerry DeLahanty and family move into their new home at 112 Burnet Lane in More and Manor Heights in a few weeks. They will then be neighbors of Betty and Jim Farrell who will occupy 138 Burnet Lane.

Millie and George Perry have purchased a home at 4106 N. Harley St., just around the corner from Aero. Millie's Aero address is the Kelsb Department. The Perrys are now neighbors of Kathleen Smithers, Photo Lab, and her husband who live in the 4200 block of Harley St.

Ed Macnair and family bought a new house in Junara Park. Ed is also in the Kelsb Department.

Marvin Bryant recently moved his family into a new home at 5287 Hoane Avenue. Marvin is working in the Shop.

AERO WEDDING BELLS

Bob MacTough and Phyllis Triunfi were married November 27th at Southwestern Presbyterian Church. After a honeymoon in New York City, the MacToughs settled down in West Philadelphia. Bob is in the Kelsb Section.

Bill McEath of Kelsb and Elsie Niedzwiecki are to be married at Packerville, Pa. on February 20.

Dave Thompson and Marilyn McIntock exchanged vows on November 6. Dave works at 236 Courtland. The Thompsons went South for their honeymoon and now live in Germantown.



Mr. and Mrs. Fox

Joe Fox of the Mosau Section and Mae Connolly were married on January 15th at Holy Innocents Church. Joe was the last bachelor in Mosau and from Henry Schmell's photo, he is happy to join the married ranks. After a honeymoon in New York and the Poconos, the Foxes will live at 5411 Discher Street.

From Salt Lake City comes news of the marriage of Mary Jane Herr and Robert Hartzel on Wednesday, November 24, 1954. Mary Jane's father, William Herr, is the assistant manager of the Kelsb and Multiplex Operations in our Aero Western office.

NEW CARS AT AERO

John Kibov of Engineering now drives a '52 Dodge hardtop known as the "Blue Beauty."

Dick Gabriel of Relief Model recently bought a new 1954 Ford.

Blaine McGuigan and her husband are soon to become the proud owners of a Great and Ivory 1954 Olds mobile '96 Starline. Blaine is currently working in the Administration Building as typist-clerk and relief typist.

FIELD SURVEY NEWS

Accomplishments in the Surveys Department have been heartening in regard to the AMS high altitude work. The goal is in sight though two crews are still in Kansas. Crew One, composed of Foster Sisson, Tommy Grooms and Charles Norton, is finishing identifications on the two remaining sheets requiring horizontal control while the second crew, consisting of Roy Piper, John Maley and Vail Frialmann, is working toward completion of the last three sheets for which barometric elevations are needed.

Field edit work, started in December, should end February 15 according to the optimistic estimate put forth by Red Dupuy. The men striving for this deadline are Frank Beatty, Earl Roberts, Cal Naber, Ray Stalder, Joe Yankovich, Jim Vogan and Bob Fuchsler. They are angling over territory in the states of Wyoming, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas.

Wes Eldridge, Stan Glesner, Dave Raymond and Ed (Tex) Schmalhofer are currently traversing 250 miles near Houston, Texas in preparation for a controlled mosaic.

The office force has been very active, in spite of moving to and getting acquainted with new working quarters and depletions in the ranks. Sam Yates is on a prolonged absence, needed for recuperation after a delicate ear operation. Bob Freer has permanently deserted us for an IBM Electronic Computer. Tony Principio received greetings from Uncle Sam requesting two years of his time. (The office personnel wished him luck over a home-baked cake.) The hard-working contingent of the Surveys office force, Basil Perkins, Eleanor Lentz, Frank Bell and Carmen Trunk, are handling the flood of computations arriving at their desks. John Kratochwill, Alvin Bruce and Jim Vargo are preparing work for field edit crews along with Dick Patterson, a dot-chaser by profession, who recently arrived to assist them. Max Hasler has been alternating between field and office work and is currently laboring at Lakewood, New Jersey.

Woody Malou, Al Meier and Bob Martin are liberating in the vicinity of Chatham, New York. Although harrassed with snowstorms and sub-zero weather, they are completing a two foot mapping project on another ink of the New York State Thruway.

Art Dupuy has just returned from a nine month tour of AMS assignments and is now on assignment in Washington, D. C.

NANCY GRAWE FETED AT SHOWER

Gifts, both small and cute, were "showered" on Nancy Grawe of the Personnel Department at a tea given in Nancy's honor by the office girls at the home of Ellen Lee on Sunday afternoon, January 23.

We will all miss Nancy, who is leaving us to await the arrival of a "bundle of joy."

PHOTO LAB DEVELOPMENTS

In 1961, the Photo Lab was called upon to edit, print, index and deliver 752 rolls of film. The largest previous year was the year before when 505 rolls were processed. Most of these rolls are printed twice and in some cases for Engineering, as many as five times.

In addition to this, were mosaic jobs of tremendous magnitude such as the Liberia mosaic with over 500 mosaic sheets to be copied, blended, opaqued, and printed twice; rush jobs with almost impossible delivery schedules such as the Illinois Transpik; mosaic jobs of a high order of accuracy such as the Louisiana job; and then, the inevitable rush to complete other jobs.

Indexing has shipped in with such specialties as Libya, Guatamala, Egypt, Angola, Italy and the usual number of contract jobs for the U.S.G.S., S.G.S. and G.S.S. Several of our foreign jobs have been unusual in that they entail a tremendous amount of stackups by which prints must be identified by image and placed on an equivalent index.

Including the night shift and a photographer who is on call Saturdays and Sundays, the Photo Lab's fifty five employees are on duty 17 hours a day, seven days a week.



Last September 21st, Acta obtained the first S.A.C. 5 Automatic Rectifier to be delivered in this country. Manufactured by Zeiss Aerotopograph Company of Munich, Germany, the 300 pound instrument required three days for assembly and cost in the neighborhood of \$18,000. Pictured above, is Bob Plum at the controls of this fine instrument.

EMPLOYEE CAMERA CLUB ORGANIZED

Aero camera enthusiasts gathered in the Conference Room of 210 E. Courland St. on Monday night, January 17, for their first meeting. Guest speaker John Haller opened the session by suggesting pointers in organization and outlined a good program for the club in the months to come.

Mr. Haller pointed out that the program would be a challenge to both the beginners and the professionals. Lecture films are planned to cover a wide range of interest. Films already scheduled include *Introduction to Picture Making*, *Techniques of Developing, Printing and Enlarging* and *How to Take Good Indoor and Outdoor Stills and Movies*.

Everyone agreed to work together with the advanced members imparting their tricks of the trade to the beginners to build a tighter-knit, better functioning organization.

The meeting ended with the projection of beautiful color slides of Dick Boyle's trip to Switzerland and Germany, Bob Plum's on Africa and Rome and John Krauchwill's on Korea, Fairmount Park and the Mummers Parade. Al Lantz and George Gause displayed some Autumn scenes, wild flowers and roses.

Regular meetings are scheduled for every other Monday night at 8 o'clock in the Conference Room in the new Administration Bldg.

NEWS FROM AERO MID-CONTINENT

New homes for Tulsa employees seem to be the order of the day as evidenced by the following:

Al Bach and his family have moved into a new home at 4224 South Pittsburgh St., Tulsa.

Jim Walker and his family are also occupying their new home at 4827 E. 55th St., Tulsa.

The Don Wilsons are now settled in their new home at 4151 S. Trenton Street, Tulsa. Don, a former member of the Philadelphia office staff, has recently been transferred to Tulsa.

Max Pitcher and Glenn Groce traveled "South of the Border" to Mexico over the Christmas holidays.

We are glad to welcome a new addition to the Tulsa Photo Lab staff in the person of Ed Moore.

AERO GETS STAMPS OF APPROVAL

A customer from New York State recently ordered a number of standard photographs from AERO files. Last Monday, Frank McWilliams received a bulky letter. Inside was a thank you note and the payment, \$12.00 in postage stamps. (Yes, three and twenty-five cents!) Want to buy a stamp?

RADIAL CONTROL NEWS

Radial Control contradicts Horace Gresley by heading North instead of West. Seymour Hackett is looking at a home in Churchville, not too far away from Walt Laner's. From that vantage point, he would also be able to ride herd on George Gause, whose home in Dawson Manor is rapidly nearing the completion stage and should be ready for occupancy in early spring. When the size of the lawn was discussed, Hark said he might consider buying a couple of lambs to graze on the half acre. Anyone for a mutton roast in the Fall?

Rich Koppel has left this vase (temporarily only, we hope) for 9th Street where he is trying his hand with the Compilation Section. Guess we'll just have to start buying our own *stamping* paper till he returns. Art White and Harry LeRoy have returned to the department after a several months stint of radial control on the high altitude Western job with Gus Winter's crew. Anyone interested in available light photography should contact Alvin Miller of this department. He's been conducting some interesting our-man field trips and has several rather *through-provoking* prints for a guy who has only very recently been bitten by the photo bug.

CAMERA CLUB ACTIVITIES



AEKO TID-BITS

Like father, like son. Lionel Sarrasin, Military Contracts, and his son Richard, age 14, captured the first prize trophy in the father and son golf tournament at Cedarbrook Country Club. Now the Sarrasin family will lose two members every Saturday and Sunday to the links.

Harold Nelson and Richard Petis have moved again. This time, to the first floor of the Administration Building. They are hidden behind the files of the Map Library in a well defended position near the windows. Ron Slapey and Jim Dougherty of Relief Model are arranging the material which has been moved over from Lutay Street.

If you are a night owl and listen to Station WHAT-FM, perhaps you have heard Georgie Woods spinning several platters for "Al Sucky and his boys" on the Keltch night shift.

Dorothy Goodwin from 9th Street visited her home in Boston during the Christmas holidays. Dorothy and her husband ran into quite a bit of snow. Their previous trip home led them into the teeth of a hurricane. No place like home!

Bill Fogarty is sure now that the fame of pioneering is worth the loss of his Philadelphia citizenship. He is moving to New Jersey and will commute to 9th Street Drafting.

Ninth Street School Days. John Griffith can be found during lunch hour laboring with the intricacies of calculus while George Sengpelt is preparing frantically for final exams. John is going to Drexel and George can be found strolling the campus of LaSalle.

Ashlyn Stein of Drafting has an interesting problem. Signs the railroad conductor never shows up to collect her ticket. Sure helps the transportation budget!

It has been brought to our attention that Aero pilots are not the only high flying people in the Company. Miss Esther Kazian, normally grounded in Drafting, can be seen at the Y.W.C.A. flying high on the trapezoid.

Joseph Bloh recently underwent an appendectomy at St. Mary's Hospital. Joe is now back at work at Magnetometer, looking good and feeling better.

We are happy to welcome Manny Schultz back to Relief Model. Manny served with the Army for two years in Korea and Japan.

January 3, 1955 saw the triumphant return of Drafting's European ambassadors. Charlotte Gold and Dolores LaMacchio returned resplendent in their Monte Carlo cars from their three month sojourn in five European countries.

As last reports, the "No Smoking" drive is still on in the Mosaic Department. Since Herman Zingral started the campaign in December, 1953, Joe Masino, Anton Vanecek, Bob Carey and Henry Schmal have joined in. Asked what they will do with the loads of money they save, Zimny wants a Canadian vacation, Joe a Plymouth

Henry and Bob just like the money.

Anthony Perri starts evening classes at LaSalle College in February. Tony will major in Accounting with help from Bill Welsh who is just finishing his first year at the same school.

You may recall that the Christmas issue of Prop Wash carried the news that Mae Triguani and Miriam Bagley were studying mechanics at night and would like to tinker with your car. We didn't think they would get a chance to use this knowledge so soon. What we'd really like to know is where were all the male employees of Aero when Mae and Miriam found themselves with a flat tire and no one to fix it but themselves?

Walt Crake and his family are now occupying their new home in Mayfair.

Bill Butler, Engineering bought a '50 Dodge to make traveling easier to his new home in Hainesburg.

John Graham of Relief Model is looking for a three story house with an acre of ground for \$2000 at a good location. Anyone with information, please contact John.

Bob Carey, Mesites, recently purchased a home at 3521 Cheltenham Avenue.

New cars are the big topic at Merier Field these days. John Saskiewicz and Ed Irwin have new '54 Chevies, By Hopper a '55 Buick and Bill Servis now rides around in a classy '55 Olds.

HOW COULD WE?

Perhaps you've noticed Barbara Knipp doing the town in her 1950 Bronze Ford. Somehow we overlooked mention of this new addition in our last issue and wish to extend our apologies.

SYMPATHIES EXTENDED

Aero employees extend sincere sympathy to Joe Kaplan of Magentometer in the loss of his mother who passed away on January 16.

Sincere sympathy also to Gene Gornulka of Engineering and his family on the passing of Gene's mother-in-law.

OOPS, SORRY!

Our apologies to George Gause, who provided us with the "old timers" photo used in the Christmas PROP WASH. In the holiday rush this was credited to Eric Storms, but it belongs in George's album.

Credit also goes to Tom Painez for his help in writing the article on the United Fund Tom entitled, "Extending a Helping Hand." Tom's name was inadvertently omitted in the byline although he had written a large portion of the article. Sorry, Tom!



Congratulations to CANADIAN AERO's softball team for taking title in Ottawa City Commercial League.

AERO'S "VALENTINE" THEATER PARTY ON SATURDAY EVENING, FEBRUARY 19

Louis de Rochemont's *CINERAMA HOLIDAY* is the successor to *CINERAMA*. For the viewer, entering "into the picture" means a flight in a Navy jet plane, a trip to Paris, gambling at Las Vegas, skiing in Switzerland, jazz in New Orleans, just to mention a few thrills to be expected.

PLACE:

Boyd Theater, 19th and Chestnut Sts.—7:30 Performance

TICKETS:

Orchestra \$2.60 — Lodge \$2.00 — Balcony \$1.80

A block of the best seats will be reserved for AERO employees and their friends. Place your order with cash in the PERSONNEL OFFICE by February 12.

NEW ARRIVALS

Len and Shirley Josephs are the happy parents of a third son, Mitchell Wayne Josephs. Mitchell arrived October 15th accompanied by Hurricane Hazel. Len is a Luray Street Modeler.

Congratulations to Joe and Dot Mullen on the birth of their fifth child, Matthew Paul, who weighed in December 28th at 10 lbs., 11 ozs. When Joe went to the hospital to bring his wife and baby home, he remarked that he was going to walk his new son home since he was too big to carry.

Virginia Ward of Magnetometer announced the birth of her daughter Virginia in Ducter's Hospital on December 18.

Joanne Bloh, the fifth child of Joe Bloh of Magnetometer was born in St. Mary's Hospital on January 29. Edith is very proud of her 8 lb. 11 oz. daughter and both are doing fine.

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