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Homer E. Strickler has been named editor of Flagship News, American Airlines biweekly newspaper, by Rex Smith, vice president-public relations for the company. Irwin Nye was named assistant editor.

Strickler was formerly assistant city editor of the New York Sun. He is a native of South Bend, Ind., and a graduate of the University of Notre Dame. His newspaper career started in college, where he acted as campus correspondent for metropolitan newspapers and as sports writer for the South Bend Tribune.

He became a staff member of the New York Sun in 1936, on general assignments and rewrite. In 1939 he covered the New York World's Fair. After Pearl Harbor he was assistant war editor. The war over, he went to Europe on roving assignment for The Sun.

He was made assistant city editor in March, 1946, the position he held until the sale of The Sun to the World-Telegram.

Nye joined American Airlines last May after three years as public relations director for Airborne Instruments Laboratory. He earned the Army commendation ribbon for publishing the Army Security agency's world-wide magazine during the war. Prior to 1941, Nye worked as a ghost writer in Washington and as a reporter for the Milwaukee Journal and other midwestern newspapers.

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