

Flagships to Inaugurate Air Service to Mexico

Two giant American Airlines flagships, one from the East Coast, the other from the West, will fly across the continent Friday on the inaugural flight of the company's international service to Mexico City, demonstrating that commercial aviation is still pioneering modern service despite the war.

Bearing representatives of numerous city governments, distinguished guests and officials of the airlines, the two planes will make the first scheduled flight over the new route, on which planes from the East and West converge at Monterey, Mexico, and then follow the same beam on into Mexico City.

When regular service is established Sept. 8, gateways for the international service will be operated at Fort Worth, for passengers from the Eastern and Central United States, and at El Paso for those from the West Coast.

Customs House Here.

With establishment of the service, American Airlines will become the only line flying a continuous international service between the United States and Mexico, and the far-flung scope of the system is indicated by the fact that for passengers from the East the customs house is located at the Municipal Airport here, 460 miles from the border.

Between Mexico City and Fort Worth, and between El Paso and Mexico City, there will be only one stop—at Monterey, where a completely equipped airport has been constructed under supervision of the Civil Aeronautics Administration and the Mexican government.

Through connections with other airlines along America's Southern transcontinental route, every major city in the United States will be closely connected when the new system is established with the Republic of Mexico.

Spend Night Here.

The fast service is expected to closely co-ordinate the defense policies of the two allies, Mexico and the United States, and to bring the two nations more closely together in their good neighbor program.

For the inaugural flight Friday, one plane will depart from New York City at 8 a. m., Eastern War Time, with A. N. Kemp, president of American Airlines, heading the party. Another big DC-3 Flagship will leave Los Angeles the same day at 10:30 a. m., Pacific Coast Time, with Mayor Fletcher Bowron of Los Angeles as titular head of the party.

The Eastern branch of the flight will reach Fort Worth about 5:20 p. m. (CWT) Friday, and the passengers will spend the night in Fort Worth. The flight will leave Fort Worth Saturday at 10 a. m. (CWT), and arrive in Monterey at 12:35 p. m., Central Standard Time, where the party will spend the night.

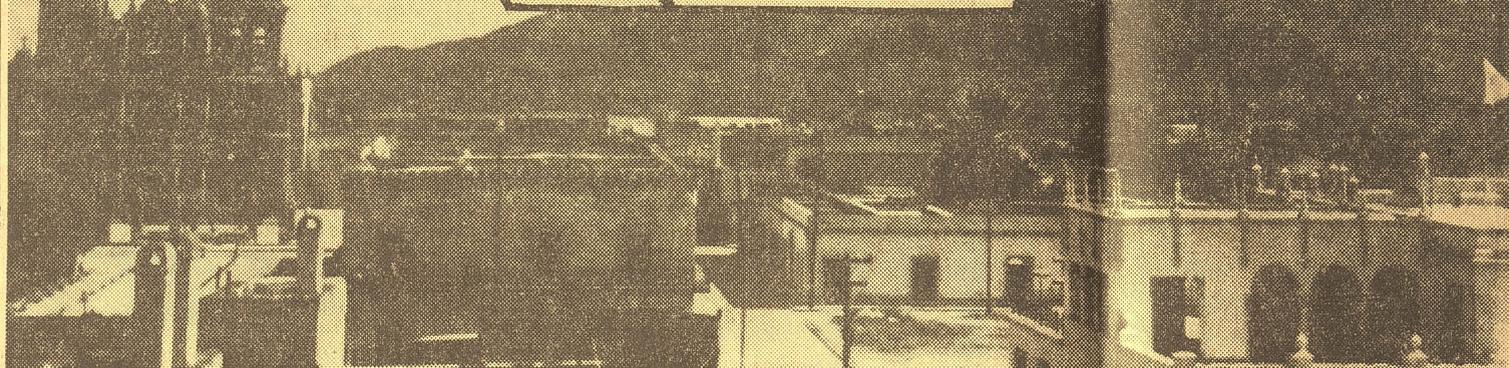
Fort Worth Stewardess.

The Western flight will reach Monterey at approximately the same time, and the two inaugural planes from the United States will be met there by two Flagships from Mexico City bearing officials of the Mexican government and of the airlines. A celebration will be held at Monterey that night.

All four Flagships will take off

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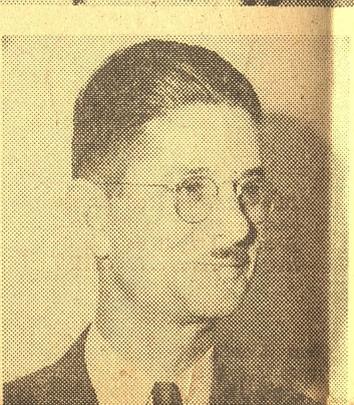
Here's Routing of Planes on New Mexican Schedule



CAPT. CECIL W. HEFNER.



MISS ROSE C. NICHOLSON.



W. E. BELL.



MISS HAZEL E. BROOKS.

The map at top shows how American Airlines new route to Mexico City connects over an international system with both the West and East Coasts of the United States, converging at Monterey. Inaugural flights over the new schedule to Mexico will

star Friday morning simultaneously from Los Angeles and New York City, the eastern section stopping at Fort Worth where a customs port has been established at Municipal Airport. Bottom, a view of the city of Monterey, with Saddle Mountain in the background.

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Airliners From Two Coasts to Inaugurate Service Friday to Mexico City

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from Monterey Sunday at 8 a. m. (CST), and arrive in Mexico City two hours and 50 minutes later.

On the return flight, the Eastern section will leave Mexico City Sept. 7 at 1:15 p. m. (CST), make a 15-minute stop at Monterey, and arrive in Fort Worth at 8:35 p. m. (CWT) the same day.

The Eastern section of the flight will bring with it Miss Hazel E. Brooks, supervisor of stewardess service for American Airlines, who will act as stewardess on the inaugural flight.

Stewardess on the Fort Worth-Mexico City flight when regular service is established Sept. 8 will be Miss Rose Nicholson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nicholson of 944 East Maddox Avenue, one of nine Spanish-speaking college girls recently graduated from the airlines' stewardess training school. She is a graduate of Paschal High School, and was graduated from Texas Wesleyan College last June with a major in Spanish. Miss Nicholson has always been intensely interested in Mexico, and has studied Spanish since the seventh grade, but her trip as stewardess with American Airlines will be her first to the neighbor nation.

Personnel Changes.
American Airlines, prior to establishing the new service, Wednesday announced appointment of several officials, who will be transferred to Mexico in the company's service.

T. G. Rea, who early this Summer was transferred to Fort Worth as assistant flight superintendent, will go to Mexico City as assistant flight superintendent and station manager. He became associated with the company at Dallas in 1939 and has since served as station manager at Washington and Detroit, and as assistant flight superintendent at Chicago.

Named supervisor of operations at Mexico City is Capt. Cecil M. Hefner, former assistant chief pilot in Fort Worth, and a veteran of flights between Fort Worth and Nashville, and New York City and Nashville. He served a year in the army air corps before joining American Airlines as first officer in 1935.

Weldon Bell Assigned.
Weldon E. Bell of 2912 Haltom Road, for the last seven years associated with the company's maintenance division here, will go to Mexico City as maintenance supervisor. He has already trained a

crew of Mexican mechanics in the plant here in Fort Worth.

Named assistant supervisor of communications, in charge of all communications activity in Mexico, is Robert M. Warriner, a native of Galveston and graduate of Texas A&M College, where he studied electrical engineering. Before becoming associated with American Airlines in 1934, Warriner was with Radio Corporation of America. With the airlines he has held radio communications posts in the company's Cincinnati, Chicago, Glendale and Burbank stations. He will be stationed at Monterey.

With date for the new international service only a few days away, the airlines announced that air travel into Mexico involves little red tape despite the presence of war.

Carrol Hinners, Fort Worth traffic manager for the airlines, said that the Mexican government has so simplified formalities at the border that American Airlines flagship passengers will experience little inconvenience.

Permits Inexpensive.
There are Mexican consuls located in 40 strategically located cities in the United States, and from them passengers can obtain, for about \$1, a Mexican tourist card covering a six-month visit and renewable for five months. Americans traveling in Mexico on business are required to obtain an American passport and must have it visaed by a Mexican consul, but full details regarding this phase of the travel may be obtained from any American Airlines ticket office or a travel bureau.

Certain rules regarding travel must be observed. If a passenger is of draft age he must have a form release from his local draft board. Baggage is inspected for contents other than personal effects, and merchandise acquired below the border is duty free up to \$100. Because of a censorship, personal papers and letters are subject to inspection. Camera films should be purchased after entry into Mexico. Hinners said that customs inspections will be made at Fort Worth and El Paso in the United States, and at Monterey or Mexico City, in Mexico.

Fares are Announced.
Names of crew members for the Eastern section of the inaugural flight out of New York City had not been announced Wednesday but it is expected that the flight will be taken from Fort Worth to Mexico City by Capt. D. W. Ledbetter, vet-

U T Professor for Sales Tax

AUSTIN, Sept. 2 (AP).—A Federal sales tax and a drastically increased Federal income tax rate were advocated Wednesday as the solution to the problems of financing the war and preventing inflation by Dr. J. C. Dolley, University of Texas professor of banking, speaking before the Texas Bankers Conference. "Income taxation should be increased sharply, especially for people whose incomes have been increased during the war period," Dr. Dolley declared. "Most of these people are small income receivers—war industry workers—and are not accustomed to saving. "To mop up a large part of the increased income, present exemptions should be lowered sharply and the beginning rate of taxation should be raised to a level of at least 20 per cent."

Dr. Dolley advised a Federal sales tax as a means of holding down purchasing power and preventing a rapid increase in demand for consumer goods.

The conference is meeting on the University campus with daily classes in progress to consider wartime banking problems.

eran Fort Worth American Airlines pilot, and First Officer M. R. Jones.

Hinners announced that regular service starting Sept. 8 will include a daily schedule going south and another coming north. The south schedule will leave Fort Worth at 8 a. m. (CWT), arrive at Monterey at 10:35 a. m. (CST) for a 15-minute stop, and reach Mexico City at 1:40 p. m. (CST). The north schedule daily will leave Mexico City at 11 a. m. (CST), pause at Monterey at 2 p. m. (CST), and arrive in Fort Worth at 6:20 p. m. (CWT).

Fares from Fort Worth to Monterey will be \$35 one way, and \$66.12 round trip, full fare, with \$30.80 one way and \$61.14 for a round trip as the tariff for children.

Full fare from Fort Worth to Mexico City will be \$63 one way and \$119 the round trip, while the children's fare will be \$45.50 one way, and \$87.50 for the round trip.

Writ Against Jester Sought

By International News Service.

DALLAS, Sept. 2.—A petition asking that Beauford Jester be prevented from serving as State Railroad Commissioner was filed in United States District Court Wednesday by William Andress, Dallas attorney, on behalf of Jerry Sadler, who claims still to be a commissioner.

The petition alleged that Jester took over Sadler's office and duties "without due process of law."

Sadler, before the Democratic primaries, resigned from office, joined the army and then withdrew his resignation. The State Democratic Executive Committee took the position Sadler's place was vacant. Jester was nominated at the runoff primary, and then was appointed by Governor Stevenson to fill out the unexpired term of Sadler. Jester qualified and since has been acting as Railroad Commissioner.

Long Ministry Is Ended

M'KINNEY, Sept. 2. — Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon for Rev. G. C. Ford, 83, native of Tennessee, who died at his home here Monday midnight.

A native of Tazewell, Tenn., Rev. Mr. Ford settled in Erath County, Texas, in 1901 and in Collin County in 1906.

Rev. Mr. Ford was ordained a Methodist minister at Huckabay in 1903. He was a Mason more than 50 years. He was the father of 16 children, 13 of whom survive.

Lattimore Finishes Course

Hal M. Lattimore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hal S. Lattimore of 1416 Kistletoe Drive, has graduated from the Pan American Air Ferries Flight Training School in Miami, Fla. He will become a junior transport pilot in flying multi-motored planes over great distances.

Lattimore is a former student at Baylor University and the University of Texas. He began his aviation training at Austin during his senior year at the university.