

## WORLD AIRLINE SURVEY . . .

**Air Trans-Africa (Pvt) Ltd** was formed in August 1965 by personnel of Rhodesian Air Services to operate passenger and freight charters to southern and central Africa.

Head Office: Salisbury Airport, Salisbury, Rhodesia.

Executives: Managing director, J. Malloch; commercial manager, I. Malcomb; directors, W. H. Armstrong, L. R. Lord.

Fleet: Two DC-7C, one Heron.

**Air Transit Inc** was certificated in July 1959 and currently operates a scheduled commuter service linking points in Arizona.

Head Office: Show Low Airport, Arizona, USA.

Fleet: Three Beech C-45, one Cessna 310, one Cessna 205.

**Air Ventura Inc** is a US non-scheduled carrier that started operations in 1966 with a Lockheed L-1649A.

Fleet: One Lockheed L-1649A.

**Air Vientiane** operates non-scheduled and carrier that started operations in 1966.

Fleet: One DC-3.

**Air Vietnam** was founded in 1951 to take over domestic and regional services previously operated by Air France. The Vietnamese Government holds 75% of the stock and Air France holds 25%. Air Vietnam flies domestic services and to Laos, Cambodia, Formosa, Singapore, Malaysia, Hong Kong and Bangkok. During 1964 delivery was taken of an ex-Varig Caravelle 3 and in January 1968 two Boeing 727s, acquired from PanAm were delivered.

Head Office: 116 Boulevard Nguyen-Hue, Saigon, Vietnam.

Executives: Chairman / director-general, Luong The Sieu; deputy director-generals, Nguyen Tan Viet, Nguyen Tan Trung, Lam Ngoc Diep; commercial director, Nguyen Xich Hao.

Fleet: Two Boeing 727-121QC, one Caravelle, three DC-6B, one DC-6, eight DC-4, six C-46, 17 DC-3, one Cessna 337, two Cessna 185.

**Air Volta** was formed in 1967 to operate domestic routes within Upper Volta. Cherokee services link the capital, Ougadougou, to nine other points.

Head Office: PO Box 116, Ougadougou, Upper Volta.

Fleet: Two Cherokee Six.

**Airways (India) Ltd** was formed in September 1945 as a public limited company and operated scheduled services until 1953. Now undertakes charter operations mainly to Assam and North Bengal.

Head Office: 31 Chittaranjan Avenue, Calcutta 12, India.

Executives: Director, K. K. Roy; operations manager, Capt F. H. Long; chief pilot, Capt P. B. Bose.

Employees: 126.

Fleet: Three DC-3.

**Airwest Airlines Ltd**, known until 1966 as Powell River Airways, operate scheduled local services and charters from Powell River, Nanaima and Vancouver.

Head Office: Vancouver International Airport, Vancouver, BC, Canada.

Executives: President/managing director, N. A. Gould; operations manager, W. Groth.

Fleet: Two Apache, five Beaver, seven Cessna 172/180.

**Air West Inc**—the name under which Bonanza, Pacific and West Coast will operate when their merger is complete.

**Air Wisconsin Inc** was formed early in 1965, certificated in June and started scheduled commuter operations on August 22 of that year with a service linking Appleton-Neenah-Menasha and O'Hare International Airport, Chicago. Nine-seat Doves were used until November 1966 when the first of two 15-seat Twin Otters went into service. Present operations have now extended

to Minneapolis, Minnesota; Wausau and Milwaukee, Wisconsin and Kankakee, Illinois.

Head Office: Outagamie County Airport, Appleton, Wisconsin, USA.

Executives: Chairman, William H. Pifer; president, Karl P. Baldwin; vice-president, John Conway; vice-president and general manager, Preston H. Wilbourne; treasurer, Gus A. Zuehlke; secretary, Richard A. Stack; chief pilot, Edward J. Godec.

Employees: 65.

Fleet: Two Twin Otter, two Beech 99.

**Alamo Airways Inc** operate a daily scheduled commuter air service between Las Vegas and the Nevada Test Site, Tonopah.

Head Office: Box 5006, McCarran Field, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA.

Executive: President, George Crockett.

Fleet: One Beech 18 Tri-gear, one Cessna 310, one 210, one U206, one TU-206A, one 182, three 172, one 150, one Cherokee 235, one Comanche.

**Alaska Airlines Inc** adopted its present title

in 1944, having been founded in 1937 as Star Air Lines Inc to take over Star Air Service, which had been doing charter work for several years. The latter had acquired McGee Airways, which was founded in 1932. In 1942 and 1943 Star Air Lines took over Pollack Air Lines, Lavery Airways and Mirow Air Service. Alaska Airlines has a route network stretching from Fairbanks and Anchorage to Nome and Kotzebue in the north-west. Boeing 727 services link Seattle with Anchorage and Fairbanks while the L-1649s are used for MAC work. Alaska Airlines was the first operator to order the civil version of the Lockheed Hercules to support oil exploration operations in the North Slope area of Alaska. The L-382s are also used for MAC work as well as commercial all-cargo operation and oil support work in Ecuador (leased to Area) and Peru. In March 1967 plans were announced for a merger with Cordova Airlines subject to CAB approval, which has now been granted. Operations would continue under the Alaska Airlines title. CAB approval has also been obtained for a merger with Alaska Coastal, and the airline has applied to serve Hawaii.

Executives: President/general manager, Charles F. Willis; executive vice-president administration/treasurer, L. Preston Blatter; executive vice-president operations/maintenance, LeRoy H. Peterson; vice-president services, C. K. Faught Jr; vice-president traffic/sales, Robert Giersdorf; secretary/assistant to president, H. W. Biersd.

Employees: 645.

Fleet: Two Boeing 727-100PC, three L-382B Hercules, two L1649, one L1049, one Convair 990A. On order: One Boeing 747C.

**Alaska Coastal Airlines Inc** operate a network of domestic services, primarily amphibious, based on Juneau and Ketchikan. Alaska Coastal was formed in 1939 when Alaska Air Transport and Marine Airways merged. A merger with Ellis Airlines followed in 1962, and Alaska Coastal is now to merge with Alaska Airlines.

Head Office: 2 Marine Way, Juneau, Alaska, USA.

Executives: President/chairman, S. B. Simmons; executive vice-president, O. F. Benecke; vice-president operations, H. S. Gruening; general sales manager, James A. Johnson; chief of stores (purchasing), Gil Lorenz.

Employees: 280.

Fleet: Four Super Catalina, 13 Goose, one Turbo-Goose, one Convair 240, four Cessna 185 seaplane.

**Alaskan Aeronautical Industries Inc** has been certificated to operate third-level services over routes of low traffic density in Alaska.

Head Office: Anchorage International Airport, Anchorage, Alaska.

Fleet: Two Beech D-18S, two Cessna 310, one Cessna 337, one Cessna 180, one 172, one 150.

**ALIA—Royal Jordanian Airlines** was established on December 15, 1963, to succeed Jordanian Airways. Owned 100% by the Government of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, the other interests in Alia having been bought out in 1967. Services link Amman with Beirut, Cairo, Jeddah, Kuwait, Athens, Paris, Rome, London, Dhahran, and Doha.

Head Office: PO Box 302, Al Fayez Building, Prince Hassan Street, Amman, Jordan.

Executives: General manager, Major General Ibrahim Othman. Managers: technical, Ali Ghandour; commercial, H. I. Allan; finance, A. H. Khleif; administration and purchasing, Mohammed Tijani; operations and chief pilot, Capt A. Hussein; sales, E. Farkouh; traffic, N. Sabamegh.

Employees: 440.

Fleet: Two Caravelle 10R, three DC-6B, one Fokker F.27B. On order: One Caravelle 10R.

**Alisarda SpA** was formed in 1963 by a consortium of UK, French and Italian financiers, and is an associate company of the Consorzio della Costa Smeralda in which the Prince Karim Aga Khan has a major shareholding. Initially, charters and air-taxi services were operated, but since the end of 1965 a daily scheduled service has been operated linking Olbia with Rome and Milan. In April 1966 a Nord 262 was leased from Nord-Aviation pending delivery of the two aircraft ordered. These now link Olbia to Milan, Rome, Nice and Cagliari.

Head Office: 193 Corso Umberto, Olbia (Sassari), Sardinia.

Executives: President, Vincenzo Carta; executive manager, Jacques Petetin; technical manager, Gherardo Chetta; commercial manager, Romano Guilini; administrative manager, Franco Trivi.

Fleet: Two Nord 262.

**Alitalia** was originally formed in 1946 as a joint British-Italian venture with BEA holding 40% of the capital. Additional capital was called up in 1955 and BEA sold one-third of its investment to BOAC. In 1957 Alitalia was merged with LAL, taking over its routes on November 1 that year, and the capital was increased. BOAC returned its share to BEA, which later had a 3% holding; this was bought by IRA in 1961. Alitalia operates a European network, domestic services in Italy and over routes to South, North, West and East Africa, Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina, Chile, Venezuela, Canada, the US, the Middle East, Pakistan, India, Australia, Hong Kong and Tokyo. Jet all-cargo services are operated from Rome and Milan to New York.

Head Office: Palazzo Alitalia, Piazzale dell'Arte, EUR, Rome, Italy.

Executives: President, Count Dr N. Carandini; vice-president, Gen S. A. Aldo



An Airwest DHC Beaver floatplane at Vancouver