

New York to Atlanta in 1 Hour 34 Minutes BY DELTA DC-8 JETLINER



Here's the crew which flew Delta's first scheduled jet flight just before departure at New York's Idlewild Airport. Bottom to top: Captain Floyd Addison, 1st Officer Jack McMahan, 2nd Officer M. H. Freese, and Stewardesses, Jeanette Easley, Beverly Comerford, Elizabeth Whitman and Caroline Jones.



First Atlanta-New York jet crew: Elizabeth Whitman, 2nd Officer Beau Morgan, Beverly Comerford, Captain S. W. Hopkins, Jeanette Easley, 1st officer C. E. Rarick, and Caroline Jones.

A Delta DC-8 whistled from New York to Atlanta in 1 hour and 34 minutes September 18 on the first commercial flight of the 119 passenger Douglas pure jet transport.

Captain Floyd Addison of Atlanta was at the controls of the giant 130 ton jetliner, which hit a top speed of 548 per hour during the 760 mile flight. He averaged 484 miles per hour for the entire trip.

Other members of the crew were First Officer Jack McMahan, Second Officer M. H. Freese, and Stewardesses Beverly Comerford, Jeanette Easley, Caroline Jones, and Elizabeth Whitman.

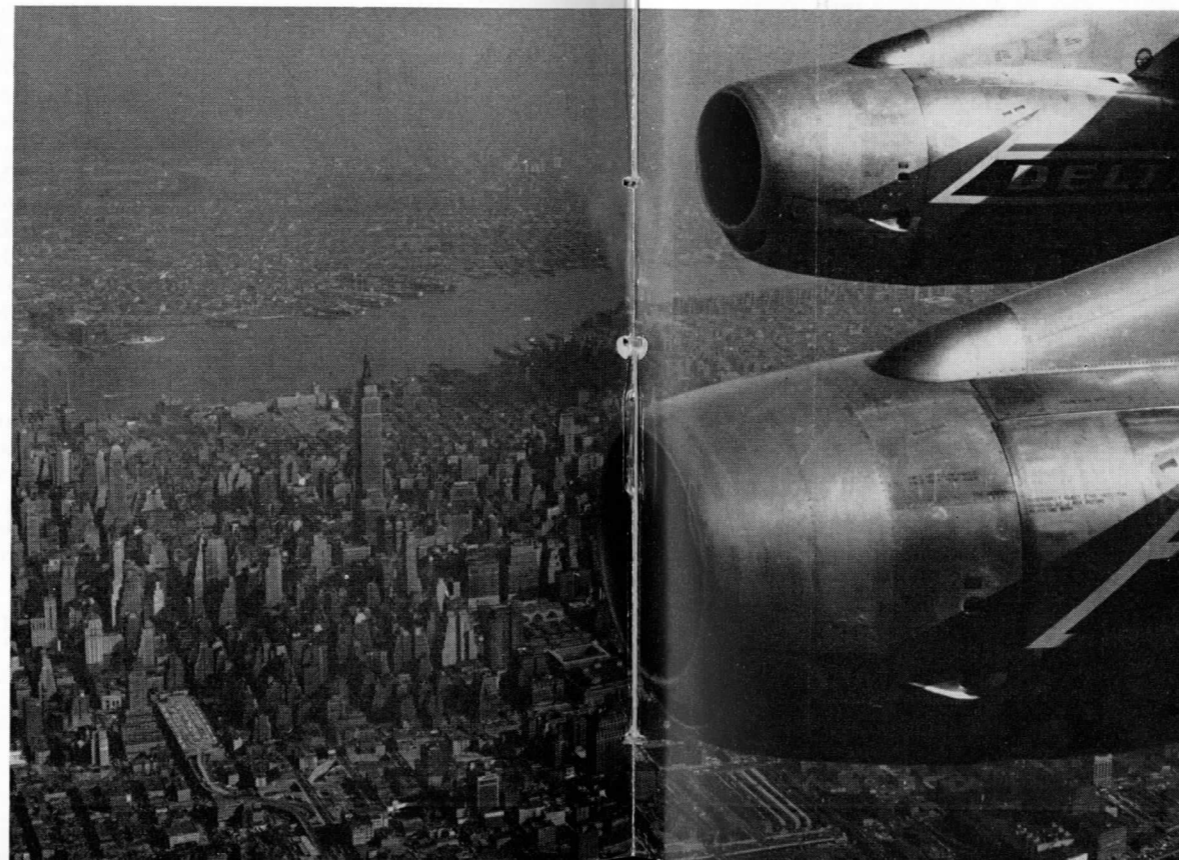
President C. E. Woolman hailed the introduction of jet service between Atlanta and New York as "an indication that air transportation is keeping pace with other industries in the South's march of progress."

Captain S. W. Hopkins flew the first Delta DC-8 scheduled flight out of Atlanta. First Officer C. E. Rarick, Second Officer Beaumont Morgan, were also in the cockpit.



Delta became the first airline in the world to fly the Douglas DC-8 on a scheduled flight when the jetliner soared over New York International Airport September 18 on its 1 hour 34 minute hop to Atlanta.

Delta photographer Dave Vaughan snapped this panoramic aerial view of New York as the first DC-8 flight winged over the city.



At christening ceremonies in New York Mrs. C. E. Woolman swings the traditional bottle of champagne. Watching are Delta president C. E. Woolman and John Wiley, director of aviation, New York Port Authority.



In Atlanta the Woolmans were greeted by East Point, Ga. Mayor Johnny Stith, left, and College Park, Ga. Mayor J. W. Stephenson. Their Honors had red roses for Mrs. Woolman.