# GATE IN PICTURES



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FIG. 1. Ship and land observing network during GATE. Note: the ship distribution changes slightly from phase to phase. For the 17 ships of the East Atlantic array refer to Fig. 6.





And many other agencies

# INSTRUMENT CALIBRATION

# Ship Intercomparison between observing phases: On the NOAA ship *Oceanographer*

Left to right

- Tethered balloon prepared for launch
- Instruments on tether
- Radiosonde being launched
- STD (salinity-temperature-depth instrument







#### Ward Seguin photographs

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### Ship Intercomparison: Soviet ship near the NOAA ship Oceanographer



Ward Seguin

# Aircraft flybys at Thiès Tower



#### Photos courtesy of José Meitin



#### Gust-Probe Intercomparison: (Left to Right) UK-C130, NOAA-DC-6, NCAR Electra

# A TYPICAL DAY

The day starts and ends here – the GATE Operational Control Center\*



**Rick Hollenbeck** 

\*A third-order acronym, with GATE the (Global Atmospheric Research Programme) Atlantic Tropical Experiment

### Waiting for the bus to the GOCC



#### GATE students, at the Sunugal Hotal

From José Meitín via Frank Marks (photographer unknown)

# Mission Selection Team (MST) Meeting

- Weather Briefing (Bob Burpee)
- Summary of previous missions (to identify gaps)
- Status of Aircraft, Ships, etc.
- Suggestions for day's mission
- Reaching consensus on mission
- Mission Scientist, Airborne Mission Scientist, etc. assigned.

<u>MST members shown</u> Joachim Kuettner (USA) Yuri Tarbaev (USSR)



#### Dick Reed before the Mission Selection Team Meeting



Reed (USA) representing Experiment Review Board of the JOC,\* provided advice to the Mission Selection Team

Peggy LeMone photo

\*Joint Organizing Committee,

A. Borovikov (USSR.Right) talks withTarbaev after theMission SelectionTeam meeting

Status of GATE ships, etc. is posted in the front of the room.





# MISSION PLANNING



#### Joanne Simpson, Bob Grossman

Peggy LeMone photos

Schur (USSR), Helmut Weickmann (USA), ?, Boris Pikhanov (USSR), Yuri Tarbaev (USSR)

# ON THE MISSION

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#### ONE OBJECTIVE: MESOSCALE CONVECTIVE SYSTEMS



#### AS SEEN FROM THE RESEARCHER

**Bob Houze** 

KC-135



Mission Accomplished: Bob Simpson Center, PK Govind to right

Ron Holle photos

Bob Simpson

# **DC-7 ITCZ Mission**

Peggy LeMone with ... (people who signed back of the picture)





### **DC-7** Mission



Bob Grossman with "Charlie Brown," enjoying a famous DC-7 dinner at 150 m msl (with apératif and beer or wine. The bottle to left is beer from Strasbourg.)

Photos courtesy for Bob Grossman, photographer unknown

## L-188 (AKA Tweety Bird AKA 595-KR)





Left to Right: Soviet Scientists Michael Prokoviev, Victor Tolkachov, Vladimir (Volodia) Ivanov, LeMone

Bill Pennell (L) and Bob Grossman (R)

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# Flying past ships and aircraft

HMS Hecla (UK) with Boundary-Layer Instrumentation System (BLIS) balloon



French DC-7 during in-flight intercomparison (likely from Electra during ferry, shortly after takeoff)



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Photos courtesy Jose Meitin

# Ship Observations (from the Gillis)

Surface parameters (on bow)









Radar Antenna

Rick Hollenbeck

# Return to Dakar – and debriefing





Debriefing: Left to right: Dick Cormack, Neil Kelley, Peggy LeMone, Bill Pennell (all from NCAR)

NCAR photos

Back from a Boundary Layer Mission Roland Stull (left) and Peggy LeMone (right); accompanying giraffe by preschooler Patrick Gilman

### Debriefing done, time to go home. Waiting for the bus.



Crowd waiting for the bus back to the Diorama or Ngor. Center: Bob Grossman (blue shirt); Ed Zipser (green plaid shirt) GATE 50th Reunion -- 1 February 2024

Peggy LeMone photo

## Sunset back home at the Hôtel Diorama after a successful day



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Image from Bill<sup>2</sup>Pennell

# AT DAKAR-YOFF (BETWEEN MISSIONS)



Zipser ready for a "black-tie" event

### GOCC



Yves Tourre hard at work with Jim Rasmussen



Joach Kuettner deep in thought. (or just plain tired, like the rest of us)



Geoorges Dhonneur, director of the ASECNA Research Center explaining something.



Photo: Yves Tourre





SCIENTISTS+ CREW NEXT TO KC-135, 11 Aug 74: L to R #1. PK Govind; #3. Brad Bean?; #6. Herb Riehl, #7: Noel LaSeur, #8 Bob Simpson – from Ron Holle



SCIENTISTS+ CREW NEXT TO KC-135 on 10 Aug 1974: L to R #3. Bob Simpson, #4 (Partially Hidden). Bill Gray?; far right, PK Govind – Ron Holle photo GATE 50th Reunion -- 1 February 2024

# **APRÈS GATE** (GETTING THE SCIENCE DONE)

# GATE WORKSHOP, NCAR, 1977



GATE Workshop, July-August 1977.

Standing: (left) Ernst Augstein (Max-Planck Institute, Hamburg); (right) Peggy LeMone (NCAR) Seated in first row (guesses): Steve Nicholls (in front of Augstein), Steve Esbensen, John Young

NCAR photo by Ginger Wadleigh



SOVIET SCIENTISTS AT NCAR: L to R: Al Miller, Melnichuk, Shur, Ed Zipser, Peggy LeMone



On visit to NCAR, Steve Nicholls (UK) shows the results of LES of 10 September 1974 case (Alan Bett's birthday)

Photo credits: NCAR

# AIRCRAFT

Aircraft on Tarmac: NASA CV-990 to left of Rainbow which ends at the left of the two Soviet IL-18 aircraft



How would we develop any confidence that the data from all these aircraft could be trusted? (1) Tower fly-bys, and (2) In-flight intercomparisons.



#### US NSF/NCAR Electra aka "595 Kilo Romeo" or "Tweety Bird"



NOAA photo?

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Carol Stoker6photo
# SHIPS

## SHIPS IN PORT

#### Peggy LeMone collection



Bob Houze

Soviet Ships



Soviet Ships Okean and Poryv



Quadra Bob Houze



Soviet ship – with stripes on stack



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Richard Hollinbeck<sub>3</sub>photos



Columbus Iselin

### US Coast Guard Cutter Dallas



## On the Dallas



Dave Emmitt attaching UVA cloud sensor to the Tethered balloon line

BLIS tethered balloon instruments. Gary Barnes to right



Tethered-balloon instruments calibration and balance check

BLIS = Boundary Layer Instrument System, from U Wisc.

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courtesy Dave Emmitt

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Don't forget: There were oceanographic measurements, too!

XBT sensor

Marine Biology Sampler



Mike Garstang plus Reeled in Tethered balloon

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Servicing a buoy

Courtesy Dave Emmitt

### ON THE GILLIS



Idle days at sea. Waiting One of the people is Peter Gross



#### Air conditioned room for computers

R. V. Gilliss photo by H. Bluestein

Howie Bluestein

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### MORE GILLIS COURTESY OF H. BLUESTAIN

Speed Geotis R. V. Gilliss

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R. V. Gilliss photo courtesy of H. Bluestein

# WITNESS TO HISTORY

### 1600s-1800s: The Middle Passage

Gorée Island, from where captured Africans were sent to the Americas and sold into slavery



Photo from Senegal, accesses by Bob Houze



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## Battle of Dakar – September 1940

On seashore, near Rufisque, south of Dakar, where Free French troops led by Charles de Gaulle landed during WW II but were turned back.

I drew this during a conversation with a Senegalese man who learned English from American soldiers, while at a party for GATE Americans given by American Embassy wives

I was going to change to my bathing suit in the pillbox, but thought better of it.

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Nixon's Resignation: 9 August 1974

### le soleil TRANSLATION: Nixon Resigns. The end of a nightmare

Electra pilot Bill Zinser listening to Nixon's resignation on BBC

at Patte d'Oie

Sketch by Peggy LeMone



# Dakar and vicinity in 1974



At the market...Ed Zipser, Peggy LeMone, Mary Pennell

Soviet flag joins that of Senegal and the U.N. when we all see the Kirov ballet commemorate poet Alexandr Pushkin (born 175 years earlier), whose maternal greatgrandfather was from Africa





Countrysideur

Photos by Bill Pennell

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### GATE Participants

The 72 nations participating The scientists and crews of the GATE ships The scientists and crews of the GATE aircraft The administrative, scientific and technical staff at the GOCC The GATE drivers The medical support staff Those who evaluated, corrected, and analyzed GATE data The many people and agencies who proposed, planned, and funded GATE

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