Names In The News



MAJOR ROBERT DODDS

Major Robert Dodds, OBE, MC, has been named Controller of Civil Aviation, replacing A.D. McLean, who was recently appointed to the Air Transport Board. Up till the time of his new appointment, Major Dodds was DoT Superintendent of Airways & Airports.

The new Controller has been associated with the Civil Aviation Division since 1930, when it was part of the Department of National Defence. and from 1936, when it was transferred to the newly created Department of Transport. He has served with the government in the capacity of Inspector, Chief Inspector, and Superintendent of Airways. Associated with the survey and construction of the trans-Canada airways system, he was largely responsible for the system as it now is. He was also one of the founders of TCA. During World War II he was active in the construction of airfields under the BCATP and has since been engaged in converting them to civilian use and integrating them into the airways sys-

He is 57 years of age and learned to fly during World War I, when he served as an RFC fighter pilot. Following this first war he played an active part in pioneering private and commercial aviation in Canada before going into the government service in 1930. He was, during this period, founder and first president of the

Hamilton Aero Club, manager of International Airways Limited, and superintendent of air mail operations of Canadian Airways Limited in eastern Canada.

As Controller of Civil Aviation he will be responsible for the control of all civil aviation coming under the Aeronautics Act of 1919, administration of the air regulations, licensing of personnel and aircraft, maintenance and operation of the trans-Canada airway system, and the selection, planning and construction of government airports.



JOHN R. ROBERTSON



S. S. FOLEY

J. R. Robertson has been appointed Superintendent of Airways & Airports, succeeding Major Robert Dodds, who was recently named Controller of Civil Aviation. Mr. Robertson has been District Controller of Air Services at Toronto since April, 1948, a post which will now be filled by S. S. Foley, who has been District Controller for the Maritimes since June, 1948.

Mr. Robertson is a veteran of World War I, when he served with the Canadian Army, the RNAS and later the RAF, being wounded after seeing considerable action. Following the war he resumed an interrupted university education and graduated in medicine from

the University of Toronto in 1928. This, however, was a career which he never followed. He became active in civil aviation and after holding several posts as pilot and air engineer, he joined the DoT in 1936. In July, 1943, he became Chief Inspector of Airways. He was awarded the MBE for outstanding work during the development of aerodromes for the BCATP.

Mr. Foley also joined the DoT in 1936, as Assistant Inspector in the Civil Aviation Branch. He was a flying officer with the RAF during World War I and like Mr. Robertson was also awarded the MBE for aerodrome development for the BCATP. He was also at one time District Inspector of Southern Airways District, with headquarters at Hamilton, Ont.

A graduate of the Empire Test Pilot's School at Farnborough, Flight Lieutenant Bruce Warren, has been granted two years leave from the RCAF to assist in the flight test program of the Avro Canada CF-100. Prior to his new appointment F/L Warren, who holds the DFC and U.S. Air Medal, was attached to the RCAF Winter Experimental Establishment at Edmonton.

He has flown 28 different types of aircraft and logged over 2,200 air hours, he holds green instrument rating cards from both the RCAF and the RAF. F/L Warren and his twin brother, Douglas, were noted fighter pilots with the RCAF during World War II. They enlisted together, trained together, were both flight commanders with RAF Squadron No. 66 (Fighter), and were decorated together.



F/L BRUCE WARREN

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