



VHF—122.8 UNICOM

As a result of a C.O.P.A. request to D.O.T. the VHF Unicom frequency 122.8 has been allowed in Canada for the same purpose for which it is used in the U. S. for air to air and air to ground communications at airports or aviation facilities not serviced by radio. The ground stations manufactured by Lear Narco and Mitchell sell for from \$300 to \$500 in the U. S. Applications for licenses to operate these stations are now being accepted by the D.O.T. and will only be granted to the owners or operators of land or water landing areas. The ground stations must be operated by the holders of certificates of proficiency in radio or must be British subjects capable of demonstrating their ability. The C.O.P.A. monthly Newsletter to members will list the unicom ground stations regularly.

Trans-Canada Air Tour

A number of C.O.P.A. members joined the recent Trans-Canada Air Tour which originated in Portland, Oregon and flew to Yarmouth, N.S. for the annual Tuna Fishing Tournament sponsored by the Gateway Flying Club. The inflight publicity was ably supervised by C.O.P.A. Vice-Chairman Ernie Warren. Approximately 70 aircraft arrived in Yarmouth and although no one was fortunate enough to catch a tuna fish all had an enjoyable flight.

There was some discussion by C.O.P.A. members and others of arranging a flight of Canadian aircraft through the southern U. S. in February for 10 days or two weeks. Some of the suggestions were to visit New Orleans for the Mardi Gras, Mexico City, Acapulco, The Flying L Ranch in Texas, Arizona and California. If any pilots are interested in spending their holidays in the winter on a flight such as this write to C.O.P.A. as there are always a number of aircraft owners who would like to join and it would be necessary to make all arrangements for reservations,

entertainment, transportation and aircraft servicing in advance.

Aeronautical Charts

Arrangements have been made with the Department of Mines and Technical Surveys for C.O.P.A. to act as the distributor for Canadian aeronautical charts. These arrangements will permit C.O.P.A. to make a small amount on all charts sold and all orders, large or small, for charts will be accepted. All charts are 25c each and the Canada Air Pilot is \$5 each volume for the first year and \$3 each for renewals.

T Hangars

Enquiries have been made about the possibility of the D.O.T. licensing land on their airports to groups of aircraft owners for the construction of T Hangars and the following reply has been received "—we are prepared to lease land to permit such construction—at those airports where local conditions permit."

It is the opinion of members of the C.O.P.A. council that the long metal or cement block T hangars which are now being used in the U. S. are the answer in Canada for cheaper storage of light aircraft. We have received plans and quotations for these in various sizes from a Canadian company whose affiliated company in the U. S. have had extensive experience in the construction of metal T hangars.

First Orenda-Sabre Produced and Flown

Chief test pilot Bill Longhurst of Canadair on July 30 test flew the first Orenda powered F-86 Sabre jet off Canadair's assembly line.

No details of its performance were released but the company said it would be slowly adopted into its production line. Eventually all Canadair built Sabres will be powered by the Orenda. Previous testings of a prototype of the engine have revealed it to be faster than previous versions of the Sabre produced by the company.

The Orenda is manufactured by Avro Canada of Toronto.

Mont Laurier Purchased

The purchase of Mont Laurier Aviation for \$200,000 by Boreal Airways has been announced by President Phil Larivier.

The air service will be re-named. Principal financiers in the move are Carl F. Burke, president of Maritime Central Airways, and Frederick Briggs, a Toronto construction man.

Although the boards of directors of the new company and Maritime Central Airways will be practically the same, the two will be maintained as separate operations, said a company spokesman.

Mont Laurier Aviation has four Norsemen, a Beaver, a Canso and a Cessna. Boreal has three Huskies, a Stinson and a Beaver.

Boreal flies both freight and passengers from its base at St. Felicien to any part of Canada. Mont Laurier runs a passenger and freight service from Roberval to Goose Bay and Fort Chimo.

Mont Laurier also flies freight, passengers and mail from Roberval to Chibougamou, Nitchequon and Fort Chimo. Services will be consolidated under the new company.

Agreement With Mexico Signed

Transport Minister Chevrier has announced that Canada has concluded a bilateral air agreement with Mexico which provides for the opening of Mexican and Canadian air services between Eastern and Western Canada and Mexico City.

The agreement provides for the establishment of routes to be operated by Canadian airlines from Vancouver to Mexico City and onward to Lima, Peru, and Sao Paulo, Brazil, and from Montreal or Toronto to Mexico City via Tampa, Fla., and Monterey, Mexico.

Mr. Chevrier said in a statement that the route from Vancouver will be operated by Canadian Pacific Airlines and the route from Toronto or Montreal will be operated by Trans-Canada Air Lines.

The agreement also authorizes the operation of a Mexican airline from Mexico to Vancouver and onward to points in the North Pacific which are yet to be agreed on by the two governments. A Mexican airline also is authorized to operate from Mexico to Toronto and Montreal.

STERLING QUALITY

In every type of manufactured product, there is usually one name that purchasers and users of the product recognize as standing for quality, in the same way that "sterling" does on silver. One such name is Berry Bros. Inc., manufacturers of Berryloid Aircraft Finishes.

Leavens Bros. have been distributors of Berryloid Aircraft Finishes for over 14 years and we like to think that our service is equivalent to the quality of the product.

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