

# —NAMES IN THE NEWS

**The Right Hon. C. D. Howe**, Minister of Defence Production, Minister of Trade & Commerce, et al, has been named 1954 winner of the Daniel Guggenheim Medal, widely considered to be the top international honor of the aviation world.

The citation accompanying the announcement of the award to Mr. Howe said that he was being honored for "initiating and organizing commercial air routes and services, promoting aeronautical research, development and production of aircraft and engines, and advancing the art of aeronautics." Mr. Howe was further credited, as a Canadian cabinet minister since 1935, with being responsible for most of the Canadian government's developments in aviation during that time.

As the most recent winner of the Daniel Guggenheim Medal, Mr. Howe joins some very distinguished aeronautical company. Since the first award was made in 1929 to Orville Wright, it has been made 26 times (including the most recent). Last year's winner was Charles Lindbergh. Other recipients have included Ludwig Prandtl, Juan de la Cierva, William E. Boeing, Hugo Eckener, Sir Roy Fedden, Donald W. Douglas, Glenn L. Martin, Juan T. Trippé, James H. Doolittle, Sir Frank Whittle, Igor I. Sikorsky, Sir Geoffrey de Havilland, etc.

**Franklyn I. Young**, operations manager for TCA's central region, has been awarded the McKee Trans-Canada Trophy for 1953, in recognition of his work as chairman of the National Air Show Committee last year. The announcement of the winning of the Trophy by Mr. Young made reference to his successful efforts to have the National Air Show and the Canadian International Trade Fair staged together, adding to the value and scope of the air show. It also refers to his success in achieving official recognition and support of the air show.

Frank Young began his flying career at Hamilton, Ont., in 1927, when he took flying instruction with Elliott Air Services. Because of his age, he was not able to qualify for a commercial license until 1929.

As a commercial pilot he first flew with Aircraft Ltd., then with National



FRANK YOUNG

Air Transport and Central Airways, all of Toronto. He also flew barnstorming strips, and in 1932-33 served as CFI for the Brantford Flying Club.

Mr. Young accepted one of TCA's first pilot appointments in 1937, beginning flying operations with the air line the following year. In 1939, he flew the first TCA trans-Continental flight west of Winnipeg, and in 1943 made TCA's first Toronto-New York flight.

Meanwhile, in 1940, he had been named TCA's chief pilot, in Toronto, and in 1944 was promoted to operations manager for the air line's eastern region, at Moncton, N.B. He returned to Toronto in 1946 to take over his present appointment. He is active in the Royal Canadian Flying Club movement.

**Air Commodore R. C. Gordon** (Rtd.) recently named manager of Canadian Pacific Airlines (Repairs) Ltd., Calgary, replacing C. M. G. Farrell, who has returned to the Air



A. C. R. C. GORDON

Line's headquarters base at Vancouver to assume new duties.

A/C Gordon has been associated with CPA since his retirement from the RCAF in 1951, at which time he was Group Commander, 12 Air Defence Group, Vancouver. A native of Minnesota, he came to Canada at an early age. Following graduation from the University of Saskatchewan, he joined the RCAF, winning his pilot's wings at Camp Borden in 1928.

During the early part of World War II he commanded No. 10 Bomber Reconnaissance Squadron, which was employed on anti-submarine operations in the North Atlantic.

In 1943 he was posted overseas to command a bomber station in No. 6 (RCAF) Group. On repatriation to Canada he was posted to AFHQ as Deputy Air Member for Organization, and in 1946 was appointed AOC, North West Air Command. In 1947 A/C Gordon took over as Air Member for the Canadian Joint Staff, Washington, D.C. He became Group Commander, Maritime Group, Halifax, late in 1949, a post he retained until sent to Vancouver in August, 1951, as Commander of 12 ADG.

**Robert P. Purves** of the Winnipeg Flying Club was named 1954 winner of the Webster Memorial Trophy following the holding of the Dominion finals at Vancouver, July 28 and 29. It is the first time the Trophy has ever been won by a member of the Winnipeg Club.

Runner-up and winner of the Sanderson Shield was **Robert D. Nassey** of the Aero Club of B.C.

**J. H. Lymburner** has been named to head the new sales division recently set up by Spartan Air Services Ltd., and its associate company, Canadian Aero Service Ltd., both of which have headquarters in Ottawa.

**Air Commodore Michael Watson**, CB, CBE, has joined Decca Radar Limited as head of the company's Radar Systems Division. A/C Watson was recently retired from the RAF at his own request.

**Brigadier C. S. Booth**, for the past several years senior Canadian representative to ICAO, has been appointed to the newly created post of Assistant Deputy Minister of Transport, in which capacity he will assist the new Deputy Minister, J. R. Baldwin.