

Radio/Nav aids for Hire

A unique plan whereby operators of aircraft can have all the safety and operating efficiency which can be derived from the use of the latest airborne radio communication and navigation equipment, without the capital investment associated with the purchase of such equipment, has been announced by Technical Enterprises Ltd., Malton, Ont.

TEL is offering individual units or complete communication and navigation equipment packages on a monthly rental basis. The monthly rental is calculated on a basis of \$40 per month per \$1,000 of equipment, and this monthly rental decreases each year over a period of five years, when a base rental of \$20 per month per \$1,000 of equipment is reached.

Rental agreements are for a minimum period of one year, and can be terminated thereafter on 30 days notice. Free service throughout the life of the rental agreement is provided by Technical Enterprises at Malton, or at any other base operated by this company.

Taylorcraft Agency

Robert W. Kirk and D. A. J. Foster of Edmonton have been appointed Taylorcraft distributors for Alberta and the North West Territories, it has been announced by Taylorcraft Inc.

Engineers Needed

A. V. Roe Canada Ltd. has agreed to sponsor a national conference on scientific and engineering manpower aimed at analyzing and assessing the supply and demand of professional engineers and technical personnel, it has been announced by Crawford Gordon, Jr., president of A. V. Roe Canada. The conference is scheduled for September and will be held in Toronto.

Mr. Gordon told a meeting of the Canadian Manufacturers Association that the present shortages in the fields of teaching, engineering, medicine, and research, have reached the acute stage, and the western world is training less than half the number of scientists and engineers required for industrial and defence purposes.

A general advisory committee has

been set up, and it is expected that some leading figures in the fields of education, government, the professional societies, labor and industry will participate in the two-day conference.

Nine Constellations

TCA is now operating a total of nine Super Constellations according to a recent announcement heralding the addition of two more of the aircraft in June. The new airplanes will be used on both trans-continental and trans-oceanic routes.

Cup Race

The Governor-General's Cup Race is to be a feature of the Canadian International Air Show this year on September 8. The gold cup and \$500 in cash will go to the winner of the race, which is open to all pilots holding private or commercial licenses who are not employed in a pilot capacity. Second and third place winners will receive \$200 and \$100 respectively.

Only aircraft weighing not more

than 4,000 lbs. are eligible. This year the course is laid out over a 200 mile stretch with five turning points, beginning and ending at Toronto's Island Airport. This, officials say, will place a premium not only on speed but on navigational ability. Further information may be obtained by writing to the Governor-General's Cup air race committee, Toronto Flying Club, Hangar 6, Malton, Ontario.

Scintillation Surveys

Section 820 of the Air Regulations has been amended so that it applies to aerial photographic surveys only, it has been announced by the DoT.

The section in question reads in part: "No person shall make a recording from an aircraft, by any method, of features and properties of the earth over any part of Canada or the territorial waters of Canada without the permission of the Minister (of Transport), except where the area to be surveyed is owned or leased by the operator of the aircraft, and the operator is a Canadian citizen or a (Canadian) company or corporation . . ."

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SKIMMER AMPHIBIAN: Lund Aviation (Canada) Ltd. has recently been appointed Canadian distributor for Colonial Aircraft Corp.'s Skimmer, a 3-place amphibian. Powered by a 150 hp Lycoming engine the aircraft has an all-up weight of 2,150 pounds and a range of 700 miles. Wing span is 34 feet; length 23 ft. 6 in.; and height 8 ft. 10 inches. Maximum rated speed for the Skimmer is 127 mph, while landing speed is 50 mph. The main landing gear folds into the wings while the nose wheel retracts forward into the fuselage.

