



BASIL RABNETT



L. L. JONES

**HEADS SHELL AVIATION**—L. L. "Slim" Jones has been appointed manager of the aviation department of Shell Oil Company of Canada. He succeeds Basil Rabnett who has been promoted to a managerial position in the manufacturing department. Mr. Jones has been associated with aviation for 16 years, was a Wing Commander in the RAF, won D.F.C. and A.F.C.

### Sask. Govt. Airline Boosts Pilot Pay

Pilots and air engineers employed by Saskatchewan Government Airways received pay increases in a new agreement negotiated by the Canadian Airline Employees' Union.

Under the terms of the agreement the pilots' wage scale has been raised from \$175 to \$205 on a three-year basis to \$195 to \$275 on a four-year basis, in addition to which pilots will continue to earn \$3 for every flying hour they log.

Engineers wages have been increased from \$195-\$225 to \$245-\$275. They also get \$1 for every flying hour recorded, an increase of 35 cents. Tradesmen receiving \$210 last year now get \$237-\$255. Pay increases have also been granted storekeeping personnel, agents and clerical staffs.

The new agreement involves 71 employees of the airways and remains in force from Nov. 1, 1951 to October 31, 1952.

### Plan Rocket Range In Alberta

Construction of a \$14 millions bombing and rocket-firing range in the Cold Lake region of Alberta near the Saskatchewan border will start this spring. Hub of the 4,600-square-mile range will be an airport north of Lloydminster and 10 miles inside the Alberta border. Tenders have been called for two runways 6,000 ft. and 8,500 ft. respectively. Some 21 buildings will be erected at the airport. It is indicated that 3,000 to 4,000 RCAF personnel may be stationed there when the project is in full operation.

### Personnel Changes At Avro Canada

Appointment changes in Avro Canada's Aircraft Division have been announced by Crawford Gordon, Jr., president and general manager.

**Edgar H. Atkin**, formerly chief engineer, takes the newly created position of technical director. His duties will be to investigate design trends outside the company and new fields of development. He will contact engine firms and review the company's technical facilities as well as advise on its technical education and training. He will also act as the representative of the company on joint bodies set up by The National Aeronautical Establishment and other Government agencies.

**James C. Floyd**, formerly works manager, and previous to that, chief design engineer for transports, becomes chief engineer; **Dennis E. Wiseman**, formerly production planning manager, becomes works manager.

**Fred T. Smye**, who is a director of the company, has been selected to give his full attention to the vital production and development of Avro Canada's aircraft in the newly created position of general manager of the Division. Previously he held the now non-existent position of executive vice-president.

Mr. Gordon explained that the organizational changes had been made so Avro Canada would better be able to carry out its assignment of producing CF-100 fighters for the RCAF, yet still fulfill its vital role of developing new types of aircraft.



**ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT**—F. T. Wood, formerly director of facilities and supply control, who has been appointed administrative assistant to the president of Trans-Canada Air Lines. He joined the airline in 1937 as secretary to the vice-president.



**RESCUE FLIGHT BRINGS A.F.C.**—Wing Commander James F. Mitchell, D.F.C. and Bar, who has been awarded the Air Force Cross by the RCAF in recognition of a hazardous rescue flight he made to Eureka Sound 800 miles north of the Arctic circle. The flight covered nearly 6,000 miles.



**AVRO APPOINTMENT**—William H. Dickie, who has been appointed director of industrial relations at Avro Canada, Malton. Since 1942 he has occupied a corresponding position at the John Inglis Company. Present employment at Avro is 7,500. At peak production it is expected to be 12,000.



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