

—NAMES IN THE NEWS

Kenneth Foster Saunders, one of the first pilots to fly from an aircraft carrier, has retired as regional superintendent of air regulations for the DoT at Edmonton. One of Canada's pioneer pilots, Mr. Saunders joined the Transport Department in 1937. Since that time he has been associated with enforcement of air regulations at Vancouver, Winnipeg and Edmonton.

Early in World War I, he trained at his own expense with the Wright Brothers at Dayton, Ohio, to enable him to enlist in the RNAS. He saw action in France and was one of the first pilots to fly from an aircraft carrier. In those days this consisted of a warship with a platform erected on the main guns.

Following the war's end, Mr. Saunders did some commercial flying in Sweden and later in Canada with the Fairchild Aerial Survey, and Canadian Airways Ltd.

As a part of Canadian Pacific Airlines' route development and Bristol Britannia expansion programs, three appointments to top company maintenance and engineering posts were announced in Vancouver recently:

I. A. Gray, formerly director of maintenance & engineering, has been appointed assistant vice president, operations; **J. A. Gillies**, formerly chief engineer, becomes director of maintenance & engineering; and **R. J. Burden** becomes chief engineer. All three will make their headquarters at Vancouver.

Mr. Gray, who has directed the maintenance and overhaul of both the Airlines' international and domestic fleets for the past five years, first joined the company in Edmonton in 1943 as service engineer for Western Lines. He is an Associate Fellow, CAI, a member of the IAS and the Association of Professional Engineers of B.C.

Mr. Gillies brings to his new post a

wide range of experience as an aeronautical engineering executive in Canada. A graduate of the University of B.C. in mechanical engineering, he held engineering posts with Imperial Oil, TCA and Canadian Pratt & Whitney prior to joining CPA in 1953. He is a member of the CAI, the IAS and the SAE.

Mr. Burden is a graduate of the Polytechnic School of Engineering, London, England. Prior to emigrating in 1947, he was engaged in aeronautical engineering for four years with the RN. Shortly after arriving in Canada he joined CPA's maintenance and engineering department and has held several executive posts prior to his present appointment. He is currently a member of the CAI, and the Association of Professional Engineers of B.C.

Captain Ken Dewar, with CPA since 1942, last month became Canada's first active pilot to retire on pension from a scheduled airline. After 30 years and over 2,500,000 miles of flying, Captain Dewar is stepping down at the age of sixty.

Captain Dewar started his flying career with the RFC in England in 1918. He demobilized following the War, and later came to Canada to start bush flying in 1928. During those early days, Dewar made a name for himself all over the Canadian north, piloting Fairchilds for the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. During his career he has flown all types of aircraft from single-engine Snipes to multi-engine airliners.

★ **Orenda Engines Ltd.** has announced several changes and appointments in its manufacturing department.

J. H. May, former production manager, has been appointed as general works manager, and will assume all the responsibilities of the manufacturing department. For the time being,

he will carry on the duties of production manager.

Arthur Dierden, former master mechanic, is now assistant to the general works manager.

A. B. Bassett, formerly assistant to the vice president, manufacturing, is now production engineering manager and will assume the responsibilities previously carried out by the master mechanic.

W. A. Dymond has been appointed as commercial manager of The Photographic Survey Corporation. Mr. Dymond has been with PSC since 1946 and has a broad background in the technical, sales and administrative activities of the company. He succeeds **J. H. Cornell** who died recently.

The DoT has announced the promotion of **P. D. McTaggart-Cowan** to the position of associate director of the Meteorological Branch. Mr. McTaggart-Cowan joined the Canadian Meteorological Service in 1936, and organized the forecasting service for the experimental commercial trans-Atlantic flights conducted in the summer of 1937.

He was largely responsible for developing trans-Atlantic weather forecasting during the early days of WW II which helped make possible the ferrying of aircraft from Canada to the U.K., and was chief meteorologist of the RAF Ferry Command detachment at Dorval, P.Q., in 1942.

Mr. McTaggart-Cowan has been active in the formation and operation of the World Meteorological Organization, particularly as a member of the commission for synoptic meteorology. For four years he has been chairman of the working group on meteorological codes. Since the inauguration of the ICAO, he has been appointed Canadian member to various meetings and was chiefly concerned with the committees on North Atlantic weather stations and joint support.



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