

# Names in the News

•**Kenneth G. Thorne** has been appointed chief engineer of Computing Devices of Canada Ltd. He succeeds **J. S. Parsons** who recently resigned from the Ottawa electronics and avionics firm, where he was vice president of engineering.

Mr. Thorne was born and educated in England, and graduated from Polytechnic, London.

After the war he became chief engineer of S. Smith & Sons (Radiomobile) Ltd., until he came to Canada in 1954 as production officer with the Department of Defence Production, and subsequently executive engineer with Ferranti Electric Ltd., Toronto. For the past three years he has been contracts manager at CDC.

•**Gordon L. Best**, formerly assistant general manager of Northwest Industries Ltd., has been named general manager of B.C. Air Lines Ltd. The announcement was made following the purchase of the west coast airline by Northwest last month. Mr. Best, born in England, was educated in Canada and is a graduate of RMC. He joined the RAF in 1931 and remained in that service until 1946. Following the war he became sales manager for Prencor Progress & Engineering Corp. Ltd., in 1948 he became manager of operations at Northwest Industries.

•**Collins Radio Co. of Canada Ltd.**, announce the following appointments:

**Frederick W. Preziosi** as chief engineer; **Robert W. Hipwell** as director of materiel; and **Lorne O. Lawler**, purchasing agent.

Mr. Preziosi joined Collins Canada in June 1955. Since that time he has been engaged as senior project engineer on the ARC-552 UHF Airborne Transceiver being produced for the RCAF.

Mr. Hipwell graduated from the U. of Toronto in 1944 and was commissioned in the Army. Afterward, he was employed with J. D. Woods & Gordon, Galt Metal Industries and the Toronto Industrial Commission. He joined Collins in 1956 and has worked in the Industrial Relations and Tariff departments.

Mr. Lawler joined Collins Canada in July 1955, and has held various positions in the purchasing department.

•**R. D. (Dick) Richmond** has been appointed vice president in charge of Canadair Ltd.'s new Missiles & Systems Division. Born in Winnipeg, Mr. Richmond took his high school in Toronto before going to the U. of Michigan to take his B.S.E. in aeronautical engineering. Prior to joining Canadair in 1948, he was employed by the NRC; Fairchild Aircraft and later Canadian Car. Until his most recent appointment, he was chief engineer of the Special Weapons Division.

•**Donald M. Watson** has been named assistant general manager of Pacific Western Airlines. Mr. Watson has been actively associated with aviation in Canada since 1937, and holds both pilot and maintenance engineering licences. Prior to joining PWA, he was managing director of Ontario Central Airlines. He has been a director of the AITA.

•**Earl K. Brownridge**, formerly executive vice president & general manager of Orenda Engines Ltd., has been named president. In making the announcement, Chairman of the Board Fred T. Smye said that Mr. Brownridge will continue to act as general manager. He succeeds Walter R.

McLachlan who resigned from the A. V. Roe group two months ago.

★ At the same time, it was announced that **J. H. May** is the company's new vice president of manufacturing.

•**C. M. Thomson** has been appointed to the position of vice president sales, of Railway & Power Engineering Corp. Ltd.

•**F. W. Austin**, North American representative of the U.K. Air Registration Board and Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation, retired June 1 after 40 years in civil aviation. Mr. Austin was based in Montreal.

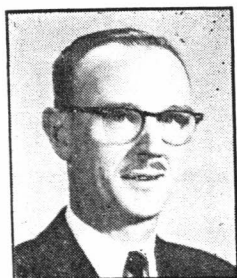
Assigned to North America as resident chief surveyor in Montreal in 1946, he has taken an active part in many meetings of the ICAO as an observer, adviser and delegate.

•**Ian Kennedy** has been appointed vice president of finance for the Okanagan Group. He formerly held the appointments of controller and, more recently, secretary-treasurer of Okanagan Helicopters Ltd.

•**David A. Golden** has accepted the appointment as a member of the Defence Research Board. Mr. Golden is deputy minister of the Department of Defence Production.

★ •**Charles A. Grinyer** has resigned as vice president, engineering, of Orenda Engines Ltd. Mr. Grinyer has joined Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd. as vice president, engineering.

★ Stemming from Mr. Grinyer's resignation are the appointments of **F. H. (Harry) Keast** as technical director and **B. A. Avery** as chief engineer. Mr. Keast was formerly chief engineer and Mr. Avery, deputy chief engineer. In his new position, Mr. Keast will deal with the new assignments and future works program. Mr. Avery will be in charge of the engineering department and will serve on the company's management committee.



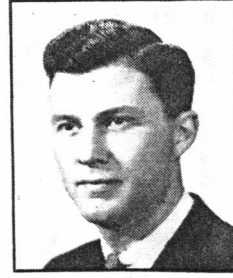
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