

R. J. (JACK) McVICAR (right), re-elected president of the Canadian Business Aircraft Association at the organization's recent annual meeting in Montreal, receives congratulations from Hal O'Keefe, elected to the newly-created CBAA post of executive vice president. McVicar flies for BA; O'Keefe for Mannix.

• Retirement of J. H. Berry, CMG, OBE, as general manager of Canadian Arsenals Ltd. has been announced by Hon. Raymond O'Hurley, Minister of Defence Production. Immediately after the war, Mr. Berry, a native of England with a good background in industry in both the U.K. and Canada, was vice president, manufacturing, of A. V. Roe Canada Limited of Malton.

•The McCurdy Medal, signifying an "outstanding contribution to the world in the field of science", was presented recently to James E. Webb, administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The presentation was made at the Canadian International Air Show

The award is made jointly by the Canadian International Air Show and The International Nickel Company of Canada Ltd. The medallion is fashioned from Inconel X-750, an age-hardened nickel-chromium alloy used for the skin of the X-15 manned space probe.

The presentation to Mr. Webb included the overall contribution of NASA in the citation.

The medallion is named for the late Hon. J. A. D. McCurdy, pilot of the "Silver Dart" on the first heavierthan-air-flight in Canada.

J. H. May, MBE, has been appointed director of manufacturing of Thompson Products Limited of St. Catharines. A native of Toronto, Mr. May has played a prominent role in Canadian industry, having received his MBE for his role in the production of Lancasters during World War II. Prior to his present appointment he was operations manager at Orenda Engines Div. of A. V. Roe Canada

•A 26-year-old Kingston pilot, James Roe, has been posthumously awarded the Royal Canadian Humane Association's highest honor, its gold medal. Mr. Roe died of severe burns received in the course of crash landing his burning amphibious aircraft in Greenland on Aug. 29, 1961. His action saved five lives.

Mr. Roe was preparing to land his crippled and already burning aircraft



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NORMAN A. HESLER (L), president of Enamel & Heating Products Ltd., was honored recently at a testimonial dinner on the occasion of his 75th birthday. Here he receives a gift from A. R. French, Enheat secretary and treasurer. Mr. Hesler was appointed manager of the Sackville, N.B., company in 1926.

when heat in the cockpit became unbearable. He eased himself onto the landing support of the aircraft and with his body partly shielded by the cockpit door managed to manipulate the controls and crash-land on the lake. His co-pilot, Harris Robinson, suffered minor burns. Four Danish passengers escaped injury.

•Blair Tuggey has been appointed traffic manager of Wheeler Airlines (1960) Limited. Mr. Tuggey has wide experience in bush line operations, his most recent positions having been with Nordair Limited.

•C. Allen Hore has been named president and general manager of Renfrew Aircraft & Engineering Company Ltd. A World War I pilot. Mr. Hore has been associated with the aviation industry since that time, his most recent post having been with the Department of Defence Production. While with the DDP he was based at Avro Aircraft, Malton.

•Dr. E. W. R. Steacie, president of the National Research Council and one of Canada's greatest scientists,

died late in August.

Renowned as one of the world's leading physical chemists, Dr. Steacie had been president of NRC since 1952. At the time of his death he was serving a three-year term as president of the International Council of Scientific Unions, the chief nongovernmental organization for coordinating international activity in

A native of Westmount, Que., he served as a corporal in the Canadian Infantry during the First World War, returning to resume his studies at McGill University. He graduated in 1923 with the degree of B.Sc. and first class honors in chemical engineering. He obtained his M.Sc. in 1924 and his Ph.D in 1926, both in physical chemistry at McGill. His postgraduate studies were aided by a National Research Council scholarship.

From 1923 to 1939 he taught at McGill and was Associate Professor of Chemistry when he left to join NRC as director of the Division of Chemistry. He became the Council's vice-president (scientific) in 1950 and assumed the presidency in April, 1952.

During World War II he played a large part in organizing Canadian chemistry for the war effort. From 1944-46 he was deputy director of the British-Canadian Atomic Energy Project in Montreal. For his services during the war he was named an officer of the Order of the British Empire.

Besides serving as president of NRC, Dr. Steacie was a member of the Defence Research Board, the Atomic Energy Control Board and a director of Canadian Patents and Development Ltd., and the Canadian Standards Association.