

Names in the News

•**Ronald T. Riley**, president of Canadian Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Co. Ltd., died on June 24. A native of Winnipeg and a graduate of RMC and the University of Manitoba, Mr. Riley joined Canadian P & W in 1937 and served as president from 1948 until his death.

On joining the company in 1937, he was sent to the parent company in East Hartford, Conn., for a year's special training. On return to Canada in 1938 he took up duties as assistant to the president. Early in 1941 he was named secretary-treasurer and a director of Canadian Propellers Ltd.

He joined the Canadian Army in 1943, and suffered a foot injury while on active duty. Discharged soon after, he returned to Canadian P & W as vice president. In the summer of 1944 he was granted a leave of absence for the duration of the war to become a director and vice president of the Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Corp. of Missouri with duties as assistant general manager.

Mr. Riley rejoined Canadian P & W in 1946 as vice president, becoming president two years later.

•**Thor E. Stephenson** has been elected president of Canadian Pratt & Whitney by the company's board of directors. Mr. Stephenson was formerly executive vice president.

A native of Winnipeg, he joined the suburban Montreal aero engine and helicopter firm in 1956, and was appointed executive vice president in 1958. Prior to this time he served with the Government of Canada, his



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last appointment being Director of Aircraft Production in the DDP.

Mr. Stephenson holds degrees in aeronautical engineering from the University of Toronto and the California Institute of Technology. He is a Fellow of the CAI and was president of the engineering organization in 1956-57.

•**A. G. (Fred) Morrall**, assistant to the general manager of Rolls-Royce of Canada Ltd., died suddenly in Montreal on June 3. Fred Morrall joined Rolls-Royce as an apprentice in 1912, and came to Canada in 1921 with two other service representatives in support of flying boats with Rolls-Royce engines which had been sent to this country following World War I.

He was associated with the automotive industry in the U.S. from the early 1920's until the outbreak of World War II when he re-joined Rolls-Royce in England. He was subsequently sent to Victory Aircraft Co. in Toronto to work on the Lancaster

bomber project. Since then he held a number of executive positions with the company in Canada.

•Computing Devices of Canada Ltd. announces the following appointments: **B. C. J. Sinclair** as U.S. aviation sales engineer; and **James Male**, as aviation service manager.

Mr. Sinclair's primary sales responsibility will be the Position & Homing Indicator.

James Male will be responsible for ensuring that the growing number of customers for Bendix aviation radio and radar receive prompt efficient service when needed.

•**Jack H. Beeman**, winner of the George Medal for his helicopter rescue of a Liberian crew from their grounded ship in 1957, has been appointed Bell Helicopter Corp.'s Canadian representative with headquarters in Ottawa. Mr. Beeman spent 17 years in the Canadian Navy and has logged more than 1000 hours rotary wing time. At the time of his release from the Navy, he held the rank of lieutenant commander. He is an alumnus of the University of Toronto.

•**Canute Arne Hangoe**, TCA weight control engineer, has been elected an Honorary Life Fellow of the Society of Aeronautical Weight Engineers. Honorary Fellows are those who achieve outstanding recognition in weight engineering. Only one is elected outside the U.S. every year.

•**Benjamin O. Baker** has been appointed Director of Weapons Research at DRB headquarters, effective August 1. At the present time, Mr. Baker is superintendent of the mechanics wing at CARDE, Valcartier, Quebec. He succeeds **G. D. Watson**, recently



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named as scientific adviser to the Chief of General Staff.

•**J. G. Flynn, Jr.**, vice president, sales in the central management council of Collins Radio Co., Cedar Rapids, Iowa, has been made responsible for the operation of Collins Radio Co. of Canada Ltd., Toronto. Mr. Flynn's new duties in connection with Collins of Canada are additional to existing responsibilities in connection with the co-ordination of all sales activities of the autonomous divisions of the parent company.

•**Nic Froebe**, who was killed in a crop-spraying accident late last month, was one of Manitoba's pioneer aviators. He was recently elected to his second term as president of the Manitoba Flying Farmers. Last year he won the Piper Aircraft Trophy as that province's Flying Farmer of the year.

•**Douglas B. Annan**, DFC, AFC, has been appointed sales manager of the guided missiles division of de Havilland Aircraft of Canada Ltd. Mr. Annan joined DHC in April 1959 as assistant to the director of military sales. Previously he was chief plants

engineer of Norton Co. of Canada.

A graduate of Queen's in 1940, he served with the RCAF from 1940 to 1945 and was awarded the DFC, AFC, CD and two King's Commendations. During the 1944-45 period he flew with, and later commanded, No. 418 night intruder squadron.

•Recent appointments to the board of directors of Canadian Arsenals Ltd. include **Air Vice Marshal John A. Easton**. Among the directors retiring from the board was **Air Vice Marshal M. M. Hendrick**.

•**J. C. Floyd**, director and vice president engineering of Avro Aircraft Ltd., is being transferred to Hawker Siddeley Aviation Ltd. of England. In his new capacity Mr. Floyd will head up an advance projects' group which will carry out research and design studies of advanced aeronautical projects within the Hawker Siddeley Group. He will continue as a member of the board of directors of Avro Aircraft Ltd.

•Following the annual meeting of the company, B.C. Air Lines Ltd. an-

nounced the election of new directors. Elected were:

Dr. H. L. Purdy, executive vice president of the B.C. Power Corp. Dr. Purdy is also a director of the B.C. Electric Co. Ltd. and is a member of the senate of U.B.C.

William B. Sylvester, who headed the company from its founding with three small aircraft in 1943, returns as a director of the company which he managed until its sale in 1956. Mr. Sylvester has since retained his interest in aviation as president of Victoria Flying Services, and as a director of Vancouver Island Helicopters.

Also elected a director is **Gordon L. Best**, general manager of the company. Mr. Best recently moved to Vancouver from Edmonton where he held the position of assistant general manager of Northwest Industries Ltd., and still serves as a director of that company.

W. M. Anderson was elected secretary-treasurer of the company.

Continuing members of the board include **F. G. Winspear** as president; **B. W. Pitfield**, executive vice president; **H. R. Milner** and **A. J. Hamilton**.



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