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► Farnborough interest by Canadian operators can be summarized:

- **Trans-Canada Air Lines** is taking a close look at the civil version of the all-jet **Vickers 1000** military transport. However, because current reports indicate the Vickers 1000 may now be shelved, TCA is also watching the development of the Douglas jet DC-8 airliner. It's almost certain now that the airline has decided to skip the turboprop stage in long-range transports and go to jets when they become available.

- **Canadian Pacific Airlines** is being backed as a potential **Bristol Britannia** customer to meet the requirements of its long-range polar and Pacific services. The airline is not expected to pick up its Comet III (now IV) option. This does not mean jet interest is lost by the airline, merely held back until a jet airliner of adequate long-range (3,000 miles plus) is on the market.

- **RCAF** interest still centres on the **Hunting-Percival Jet Provost** as the most likely ab initio jet trainer to introduce in the air force. Although an evaluation of this and competing aircraft has been made no early decision is expected because of the number of Harvards and spares still in stores.

- Operators working the Distant Early Warning (DEW) Line airfreight lift have expressed a great deal of interest in the giant **Blackburn & General Aircraft** four-engine **Beverley** freighter which, it's claimed, will carry close to 20 tons almost 1,000 miles. Price is approximately \$1,200,000 with 15 months delivery. One of them is coming to Canada this year for cold weather trials and it's hoped it will arrive in time for the AITA November 7 Quebec City convention.

- Executive aircraft interest centred on the **Aviation Traders (Engineering) "Accountant"** which, still in the prototype stage, is a DC-3 size 12/36 twin-Rolls-Royce Dart turboprop aircraft to sell at about \$300,000. Maximum cruise speed is quoted at 280 mph. for 604 miles and 7,800 lb. payload. Flap-stall is only 77 mph.

- Some bush operator interest was shown in the **Scottish Aviation Twin Pioneer** with its short field take-off and landing ability and proposed low (\$100,000) price. Payload is 3,000 lb. for a 620-mile still air range.

► **RCAF** will soon be taking delivery of the **CF-100 Mark IV C**. This is a higher altitude version of the Mark IV B. Modifications include extended wingspan and **Orenda 12s** fitted with afterburners. These latest CF-100s will increase the operational ceiling from the 40,000 ft. range to the 50,000 ft. range.

► **Associated Airways** has temporarily suspended DEW-Line airfreighting with the September crash of its **Bristol** freighter.

► **Hamilton Flying Club** will soon be taking delivery of two of the new **Champions**, successors to the **Aeronca Champions** which are now being produced again in the U. S.

► **TCA** has ordered two **Air Trainer Ltd.** flight simulators—a **Viscount** and a **North Star AT-100**, both of which will be installed at **Malton**.

✱ ► **Orenda Engines Ltd.** will probably get a **B-47** (on loan) this year for flight testing the **P.S.13**. It will probably have to be flown out of **Uplands**.

► **Avro Aircraft** may soon start talking sales on engineering vice-president **J. C. Floyd's** design for a 450-mph. twin-jet executive transport. Ever since work was stopped on the **Jetliner**, design of a small jet transport has been a hoped-for possibility.