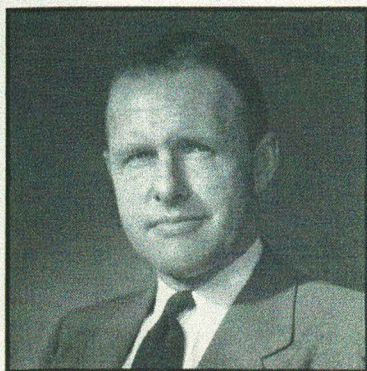


## NAMES IN THE NEWS



R. D. MACDONALD

**R. D. Macdonald** has been named assistant director of the Aircraft Division of the Department of Defence Production, it was announced recently. Mr. Macdonald, who was the Department's Production Branch representative in Washington, has had wide experience in defence production, having served in many capacities with the Department of Munitions & Supply and as a member of various international production committees during World War II.

From 1940 to 1944 he was director of the aircraft division of the Washington office of the Department. In 1944 he organized the aircraft & radio division of War Assets Corporation and left government service in 1945 to become assistant to the president of the Philco International Corporation in New York.

In 1946 he joined Consolidated Vultee to make a survey of Canadian civil aviation and later to set up the sales and distribution of the Stinson Voyager for the Stinson division of that company. In 1949 Mr. Macdonald returned to Ottawa and in 1950 went to Washington as special representative of the Canadian Commercial Corporation.

Born of British parents in Montclair, N.J., in 1906, he attended Lower Canada College and studied architectural engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

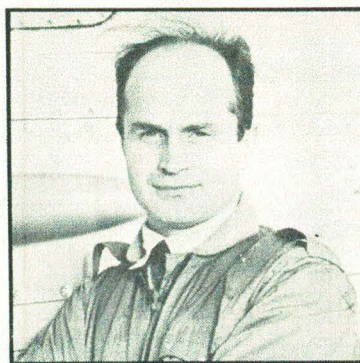
Another recent appointment is that of **Donald C. Markey** as chief of the contracts and purchasing activities of the Aircraft Division. Mr. Markey has assumed the duties formerly performed by Frank L. Trethewey.

**George Tate** has recently joined the aircraft sales division of Vickers In-

corporated as application-sales engineer in Canada and the Northeastern U.S. He will be based in Detroit. Mr. Tate, who gained some of his education in Canada, has a long history in the electro-hydraulic field. Formerly associated with Sperry Gyroscope, he handled the first general air line autopilot installations at TWA in 1935.

**Jan Zurakowski**, Gloster test pilot who recently made the aeronautical world's eyes pop with his "Zurabatic Cartwheel", is to join Avro Canada as test pilot.

"Zura" Zurakowski, in addition to being an outstanding test and demonstration pilot, is an outstanding engineer. A graduate of the Empire Test Pilot's School in 1944, he was for the next three years a test pilot at the Aircraft & Armament Experimental Es-



JAN ZURAKOWSKI

tablishment at Boscombe Down. There he flew nearly every British and American type of fighter. To date he has flown more than 2,500 hours and the CF-100 will make the 55th type he has flown.

A Battle of Britain pilot with the RAF, he shot down six enemy aircraft. He was decorated with the *Virtuti Militari*. Educated as a Polish officer, he made his first flight in 1929 on a Lublin L.K.L.5. He retired from the RAF in 1947, joining Gloster the same year.

**Air Vice-Marshal Ralph E. McBurney** has joined Rogers Majestic Electronics Limited as manager of the company's Defence Equipment Division. In his new capacity he will function as technical liaison officer with government departments in connection with defence work handled by Rogers

Majestic. A/V/M McBurney retired early this year from the RCAF after 27 years of service, his last assignment being AOC, Air Materiel Command, which he was responsible for organizing when it was first established after World War II.

Northwest Airlines has announced several shifts in district sales managers in Canada:

**Lyle Victor**, former manager of the Duluth office, has been transferred to head the Winnipeg office, succeeding **Thomas Guns**, district sales manager there since 1947. Mr. Guns will return to Vancouver, where he started his air line career as a district traffic manager in 1939.

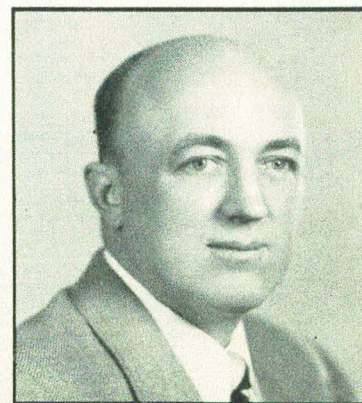
**William Kenney**, district sales manager in Vancouver since 1950, will be transferred to Seattle as district traffic sales manager.

To **Alex Henshaw, Sr.**, of Mapletorpe, Lincolnshire, goes the distinction of being the world's first passenger booked on a commercial jet airliner service—the BOAC inaugural Comet flight from London to Johannesburg on May 2. Mr. Henshaw's son, Alex Henshaw, Jr., in 1939 made a record-breaking flight between virtually the same two points as the Comet flew.

**Captain (E.) M. Luby, RN (Ret.)**, who at present is director of engine research & development at the British Ministry of Supply, is resigning his post next month in order to take up the position of director & general manager of Rotax Limited.

**Al Pow** of London, Ontario, one of Canada's foremost gliding and soaring pilots, is journeying to Spain this month to compete in the International Soaring Contest.

**A. Stringer** has been appointed vice-president in charge of engineering for Okanagan Air Service.



GEORGE TATE