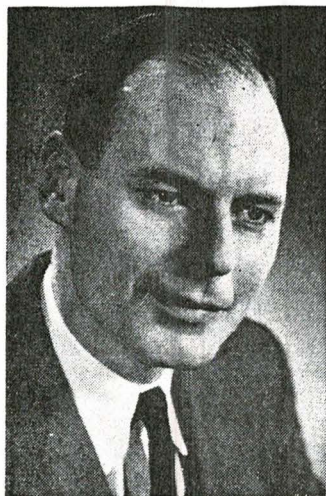


## Appointed Manager of Shell Oil Aviation Div.



**Basil Rabnett** has been appointed Manager-Aviation Department, of the Shell Oil Company of Canada, Limited. He replaces C. D. Fairweather, now retired after 23 years with Shell.

Mr. Rabnett is a graduate of McGill University and Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He served with the Aeronautical Engineering Branch of the RCAF during the war and retired in 1945 as Wing Commander after being awarded the M.B.E. in recognition of his work.

He joined Shell as Technical Adviser to the Aviation Department in 1945, and served in that capacity until receiving his recent promotion.

## Northwest Industries' Aircraft Div. Manager



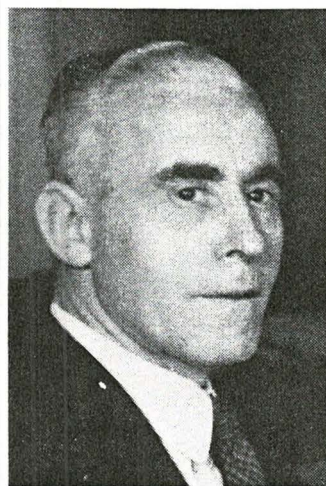
**Gordon L. Best** has been appointed manager of the Aircraft Division of Northwest Industries Ltd., Edmonton.

# People In The News

A graduate of the RMC, Mr. Best joined the RAF in 1935 graduating from the Officers Course of Aeronautical Engineering in 1937. He served in various capacities with the RAF during the war both overseas and in Canada, retiring in 1946 with the rank of Group Captain.

• **Ernest Rossiter, Jr.**, has been appointed assistant general manager of Canadian Pacific Air Lines, with headquarters at Winnipeg. Mr. Rossiter was formerly director of costs and procedures.

## Hibbert Named Mgr. Fairey of Canada



**Charles Hibbert**, MBE, has been appointed general manager of the new Fairey Aviation Company of Canada, Ltd., based at Eastern Passage, Nova Scotia. He joined The Fairey Aviation Company in 1919.

The new Canadian company, which has a capital of \$1,000,000, will be employed initially on repair and maintenance of Fairey aircraft and other types in service with the Royal Canadian Navy and elsewhere. It will also manufacture and service other products of the Fairey Aviation group of companies.

• **Group Capt. M. G. Doyle** has been appointed to command the RCAF Station at Rockcliffe near Ottawa. He replaces W/C R. C. Davis, who becomes director of operational requirements at Air Force Headquarters.

G/C Doyle recently commanded the Joint Air School at Rivers, Man.

• **Sir Arthur Whitten Brown**, navigator on the Vickers Vimy which made the first direct nonstop flight across the Atlantic in 1919, died recently. Brown's partner on the flight, Sir John Alcock, was killed in an aircraft accident in France later in 1919.

## Trans-Canada Air Lines Traffic Appointments



BOLDUC ROBINSON

**J. J. Robinson**, a well-known transportation figure on the Pacific Coast, has been appointed district traffic and sales manager, Trans-Canada Air Lines, Vancouver.

Mr. Robinson has been with TCA since earlier years and has recently been with the Company in Eastern United States and Canada.

**Hugh M. Bolduc**, former passenger agent, Trans-Canada Air Lines, Halifax, has been appointed traffic representative for the air line at Saint John. Mr. Bolduc's promotion is effective immediately.

## Commutes 8,400 Miles Weekly to School

**Wayne Wendell Wilkin**, a captain with KLM Dutch Airlines, flies 8,400 miles every week to attend classes in business administration at Kent State University in Akron, Ohio. Although his terminal points are Amsterdam and New York, he flies as a passenger from New York to Akron to attend classes.

A veteran of 1,600,000 air miles and 160 Atlantic crossings, Wilkin plans to enter New York's Columbia University for work on a master's degree, which he figures will ease his commuting somewhat. His parents' home is in Akron.

• **Gray Perrin** has been named manager of the Medicine Hat Municipal Airport. He succeeds Gus Bacon, who has entered the RCAF.

## Named Shop Manager At Avro Canada

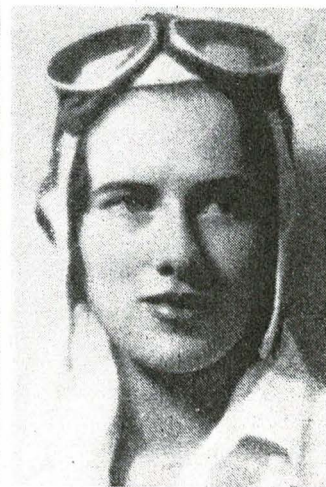


**Maurice G. Nix** has recently been appointed Experimental Shop Manager, Gas Turbine Division at A. V. Roe Canada Limited.

Mr. Nix's experience stems from the Experimental Dept. of Rolls-Royce, England, with whom he spent approximately nine years. During the latter period he was Assistant to the Experimental Manager at Rolls-Royce.

He joined Avro Canada's Gas Turbine Division early in 1947.

## Pioneer Aviatrix Dies After Long Illness



**Margaret McQuin**, pioneer Canadian aviatrix, died in an Ottawa hospital recently following a long illness.

Prior to her marriage to F. Hollister McQuin, she was well-known in Canadian aviation circles as Margaret Rankine-Smith. A charter member of the Ottawa Flying Club, Mrs. McQuin was the second Canadian woman to receive her pilot's license.