

—NAMES IN THE NEWS

Hon. R. D. Turner, formerly a cabinet minister in the Manitoba Government, has been appointed president of Trans-Air Limited. Simultaneous to Mr. Turner's appointment was that of **G. W. Northcott** as general manager. Mr. Northcott was previously assistant general manager.

A graduate of the University of Manitoba, Mr. Turner has been flying since 1938, and served with the RCAF from 1939 to 1946, during which time he attained the rank of wing commander. He was elected to the Manitoba Legislature in 1946 as an armed forces member representing the Air Force and became Provincial Treasurer in 1951, Minister of Industry & Commerce in 1953, and railway commissioner in 1954. While Mr. Turner has given up his cabinet posts, he plans to continue to sit in the Legislature as a Member until the next provincial election. He does not plan to run for office again.

Geoffrey Northcott joined Central Northern Airways in 1955 as assistant general manager and prior to this was for several years a TCA captain. During World War II he served overseas with the RCAF. He commanded a number of operational squadrons and for his services was awarded the DSO, DFC and Bar. He had attained the rank of group captain at the time of his discharge.

Trans-Air is the result of the amalgamation earlier this year (still awaiting ATB approval) of Central Northern Airways and Arctic Wings.

Renfrew Aircraft & Engineering Co. Ltd., has announced the appointment of **W. M. Keddie** as engineering vice-president. Mr. Keddie was born in Ontario, graduated from Queen's University with a BSc Degree in Mechanical Engineering and from M.I.T. with a Master's Degree in Aeronautical Engineering.

His sixteen years with the Royal Air Force included both Air Ministry and Ministry of Aircraft Production appointments in senior executive capacity in Canada and the U.K. Later he was associated with Federal Aircraft Limited and with Canadair Limited. For the past five years he has been vice-president & general manager of Polyfiber Limited.

Michael Cooper-Slipper, veteran of 18 years professional flying, has been appointed chief test pilot for Orenda Engines Limited, Malton, Ontario. A specialist in engine development test flying, Mr. Cooper-Slipper has done the bulk of test flying on the Orenda series of engines.

His appointment coincides with the creation of a Test Pilots' Department at Orenda. Also on the flying staff is Len Hobbs, ex-RAF test pilot, who joined the company recently. Mr. Cooper-Slipper had previously been on loan to Orenda from Avro Aircraft Limited.

Northwest Industries Limited, has announced the appointment of **D. L. Swail** as public relations officer. Mr. Swail will be responsible for the company's public relations program and will be the editor of the "Northwest'ner", the company employee publication.

The Bristol Aeroplane Company of Canada (1956) Limited announces that the secretary of the company, **B. A. Chalmers**, has been appointed a director and vice-president of its three subsidiary companies: Bristol Aero Engines Limited, Montreal; Bristol Aircraft (Western) Limited, Winnipeg; and Bristol Aero Engines (Western) Limited, Vancouver. Mr. Chalmers is also appointed a director and vice-president of the Bris-

tol Company's new Mexico subsidiary — Bristol de Mexico, S.A. de C.V.

The Dowty Group Company Limited of Cheltenham, England, has announced the appointment of **Robert F. Hunt** to the board of directors. Mr. Hunt joined the parent Dowty Equipment Company in 1935 as one of the Company's first apprentices and from 1939 he was engaged on the design staff. A year later, he was appointed chief instructor of the Dowty School of Hydraulics, in which capacity he was attached to the RAF Technical Training Command. From 1944, he was engaged on technical liaison duties between Dowty England and Canada, and in 1946, was appointed export manager, laying foundations for the company's vital postwar export program.

In 1949, he was appointed director, vice-president & general manager of Dowty Equipment of Canada Limited, and was initially concerned with the transfer of the company's operations from Montreal to the present location at Ajax, where he established the new company. Mr. Hunt was made president of the Canadian company in 1954 and will retain that position as well as his directorship.

D. Robert Gilmaster has been appointed comptroller of Fleet Manufacturing Limited.

Fleet Manufacturing Limited and its associate firm, Doman-Fleet Helicopters Limited, have announced the appointment of **Air Vice Marshal (Ret.) Frank Wait** as assistant to the president.



R. F. HUNT



MIKE COOPER-SLIPPER



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