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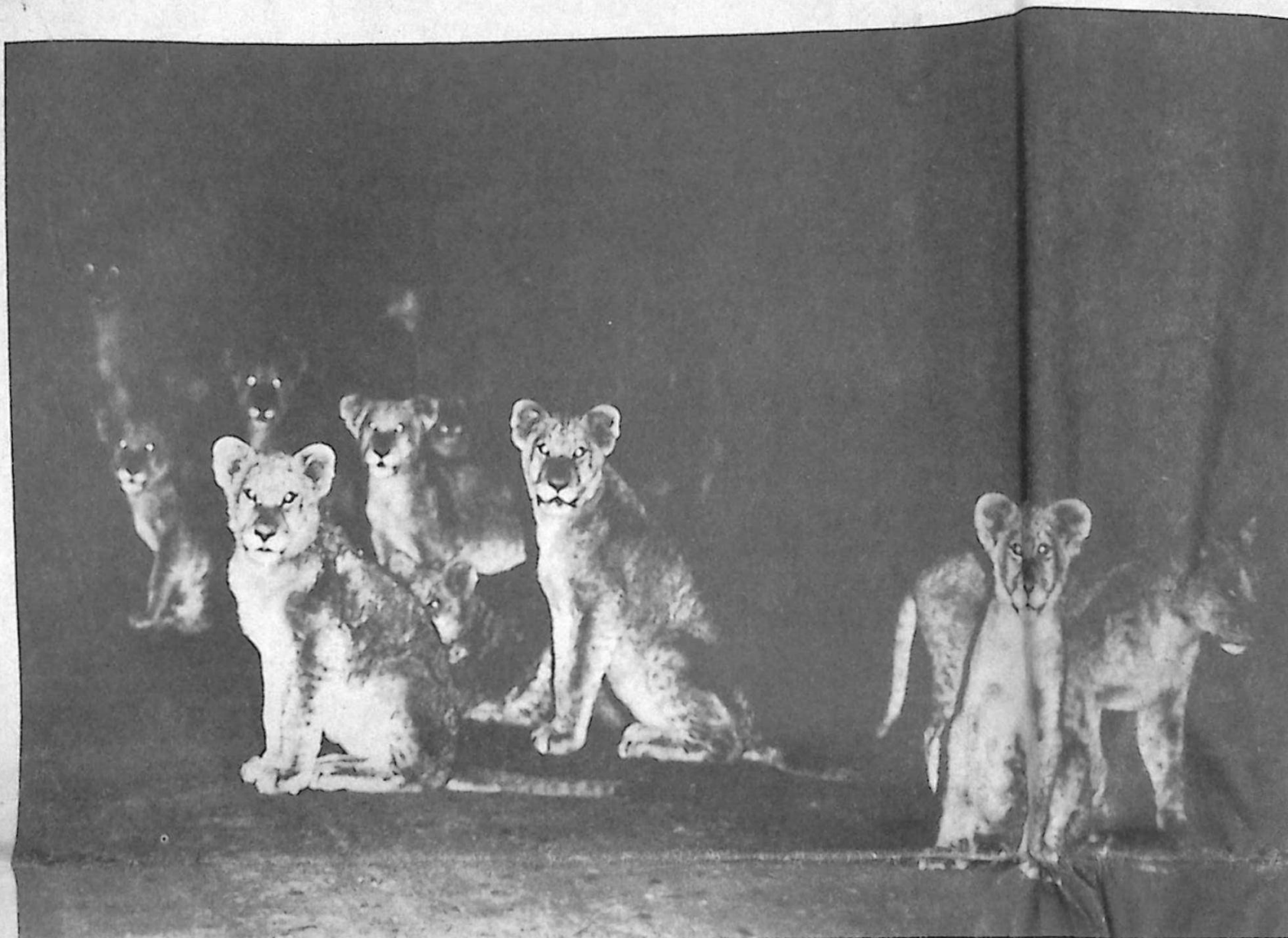
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Op Eval 1981



1981 Operational Evaluation team waits just inside the CFB Comox gate shortly after arriving Sunday past. Despite the mauling of two SAR techs, a Squadron commander and a nurse, the team was less ferocious than they look. Comox passed the annual inspection, and looks forward to spring with relieved minds and rich anticipation.

Government support for Canadian aerospace industries

OTTAWA, Jan. 30, 1981 -- The Hon. Herb Gray, Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce, announced today details of federal support for two major aerospace projects. The federal government will provide loan guarantees to de Havilland of Canada Limited (Downsview, Ontario) for the development of the DASH-8, an entirely new 30-36 passenger aircraft, and will also give financial support to Pratt and Whitney Aircraft of Canada Limited (Longueuil, Quebec) for the design and development of the PT-7, a new advanced turbo-prop engine.

Federal government financial support to de Havilland will amount to a maximum of \$450 million in loan guarantees. In addition, DND land will be transferred to de Havilland to allow for the expansion of the physical facilities, and to ensure continued security of its flight operations at the site.

Assistance to Pratt and Whitney from the Defence Industry Productivity Program will total approximately \$50 million. Scheduled to commence

production in 1983, engine sales, including those powering the twin-engine DASH-8, are estimated at more than one billion dollars over a 15 year period. Work on this new engine will increase the company's labour force by 1,000.

Sub-contract work on the DASH-8 will amount to an estimated \$130 million annually during the life of the program. Canadian companies coast-to-coast will share in the benefits. Several hundred sub-contractors and suppliers throughout Canada will provide parts and components for Pratt and Whitney's PT-7 engine.

The government has approved the de Havilland Board recommendation to establish new DASH-8 final assembly and test (FAT) facilities close to existing de Havilland design, development and manufacturing resources. It was judged in the final analysis that Downsview was the site best enabling de Havilland to meet the delivery deadlines imposed by the market place and to deliver a competitively priced product.

The Minister said that the

world-wide response to the DASH-8 concept has exceeded all expectations. Based on making first deliveries in 1984, the new aircraft has attracted 93 offers to purchase. Never before has a de Havilland of Canada plane made such an impact in advance of the first scheduled flight. Signed offers have been received from 26 companies in eight countries. American airline operators account for more than one

half of the initial orders.

As a result of market analysis, de Havilland believe that the DASH-8 sales through to 1996 will exceed \$3 billion, representing almost 50% of the world market. Work on the new commuter aircraft will increase the company's labour force by 3,000.

The first DASH-8 aircraft is scheduled to fly in early 1983. Twelve months of exhaustive flight testing will precede certification of

airworthiness, which means that the first customer can expect delivery in the Fall of 1984.

The sales potential of a high technology 3-36 seat STOL passenger aircraft has not escaped the notice of foreign plane builders. The Canadian products will be in direct competition with similar airliners now at the development stage by firms in France, Spain, Brazil and by an American/Swedish consortium.

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Commander Air Command Address

1980 was a very significant year for air command, the highlight of which was the signing of the largest defence contract ever awarded by the Canadian government - A contract with McDonnell-Douglas for approx. 137 CF-18 Hornet aircraft. The impact of this procurement on air command will be almost revolutionary, for it will take us from the fighter technology of the '50's to that of the '80's in one giant step. The tremendous excitement generated will be felt not only by the pilots who will fly the Hornet but also by the maintenance personnel who for years have been struggling to keep the Voodoo and the Starfighter flying. We are scheduled to take delivery of our first aircraft in Oct 82 and the first operational squadron will form in 1984.

Another significant event occurred on May 29th, when we took delivery of our first CP-140 Aurora anti-submarine warfare aircraft at CFB Greenwood. Again, this was a great leap forward in technology from the Argus which it will replace. We have now taken delivery of 11 Auroras and will receive the 18th and last aircraft in April of this year.

Although the first operational squadron is not scheduled to start flying until later this month, the operational training squadron has, in fact, been flying operational missions for Saclant since last July, and the aircraft performance is living up to our high expectations. A third major acquisition project reached a significant milestone in 1980. The Region Operations Control Centre, or ROCC program was approved and a contract awarded for procurement at North Bay. This program is the result of a decision made during the NORAD agreement renewal discussions in 1975 when it was decided that the NORAD Regional boundaries should be re-aligned to reflect national borders. When the ROCC's become operational in October 1982, control of all Canadian airspace will be exercised for the first time, from within Canada. This in no way diminishes cross-border cooperation. All ROCC's adjacent to the national boundaries will be co-manned as is NORAD's headquarters in Colorado Springs. Hence, 27 United States Air Force personnel will be employed at North Bay and 37 Canadian Forces personnel will be stationed at the adjacent U.S. ROCC's.

Turning now to a topic more regional in nature, at Air Command, 1979 is remembered as the year of the floods - 1980 on the other hand, will be remembered as the year of the

forest fires. From Thunder Bay to Edmonton, military assistance was requested by Provincial governments to aid in fighting the worst forest fires in memory. By the time we were able to extricate ourselves early in July, tactical helicopter units had flown nearly 3,000 hours on the various firefighting operations. In addition, when fires threatened the town of Red Lake, Ontario, C-130's were used to evacuate the entire town of 3,500 people.

We derived excellent training value from these operations and learned some important lessons as well. With our present squadron manning levels, we were hard pressed to provide sufficient aircrew and support personnel to maintain the very high flying rate. The lesson here is that a higher crew ratio may be required on our tactical helicopter squadrons if we are to expect to meet our commitments in a wartime scenario. Also, as a result of the activity level during this period, we were unable to provide mobile command with the desired amount of helicopter support, resulting in the cancellation of a number of training exercises.

On balance, though, I think that the public exposure gained by the Canadian Forces during the period was extremely valuable - for if we are to maintain a strong military, we must have the active support of the Canadian public - a support that can be fostered by assistance when needed. I should add that, between Air Command and Mobile Command units, over 22,000 mandays were expended in the fire fighting operations, the largest assistance operation in Prairie region in the past 25 years.

Another area of air command operations which always receives high public visibility is the search and

rescue network. In terms of hours flown and lives saved, 1980 was not unlike other years, although it was on a SAR mission that we suffered the tragic loss of a C-130 and 8 crew members - a reminder that search and rescue is a highly specialized business and not without considerable risk.

One search and rescue mission stands out as unique during the past year and that was the response to the cruise ship Prinsendam on fire off the Alaskan coast in October. The USAF, US Coast Guard and our 442 Sqn in Comox combined to achieve a truly remarkable rescue of all 519 passengers and crew from drifting lifeboats in rough seas, poor weather, 100 miles from shore without any loss of life. It is of interest to note that 442 squadron was notified at 0500 on a Saturday morning and within 3 hours was able to launch two Buffalos, two Labrador Helicopters and a full medical team.

Turning to the heart of the command, its personnel, I am very satisfied with the professionalism and dedication displayed although I am feeling the pinch somewhat on establishments and experience levels. Air Command maintains a very heavy pace year round and the accomplishments that we have achieved reflect the extraordinary efforts of the personnel in the command, oftentimes working in units that are undermanned. Having said that, I realize that the problems of personnel shortages and tightly constrained establishments are being experienced forces wide and moreover, that our recruiters are dealing with a rapidly shrinking pool of young people in the country. In any event, our recruiting units and training establishments have limits on the rate at which recruits see "Message" p.10...

"Fishwrapper" Exposed

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Section news

Nighthawks Nest

It is extremely bad timing to attempt a reconstruction of recent squadron events on the eve of the announcement of the annual OpEval results. It is most tempting to write a glowing report of our success, but this would undermine squadron credibility if the actual results were less than spectacular. Conversely, were I to adopt the humble attitude of a heavily burdened squadron member, 409 pride could suffer a potentially fatal blow. Adopting a wise compromise, I will mention the matter no further, save to say it is over for now and may it rest in peace for the forthcoming twelve months.

A curious lull in squadron activity has been apparent in recent weeks, as folks called off away trips and leave and such have been sulking about the halls waiting for the TacEval.

Now it is ended however, a flurry of going-on are in the wind.

A squadron deployment to Reno is coming up shortly, lending little credence to the Communist claim that capitalistic systems foster greed, as there is no dearth of people willing to commit any amount of scheming and mayhem in order to head down south and gamble barrels of their money away. The only difference amongst squadron members is that House, Ziff, Greg Frazer and Bob Worbetts figure they'll end up ahead. Odd chaps.

Mel Ferraby and Ron Egli recently met head-to-head in successive attempts to raise squadron spirits with flight parties. It was declared a draw, so rematches are in the works.

One of the most volatile subjects in recent times has been hitting the news with regularity lately - the new

zoning regulations brought about as a result of the proposed IFR approach to runway 36. Originally intended as a deliberate attempt to undermine the financial status of several 409 members in the affected area, it has quickly run rampant and is now threatening innocent people as well. Accordingly, the approach has been re-engineered and now passes directly through the downstairs bathroom of LCol. Lott's new home.

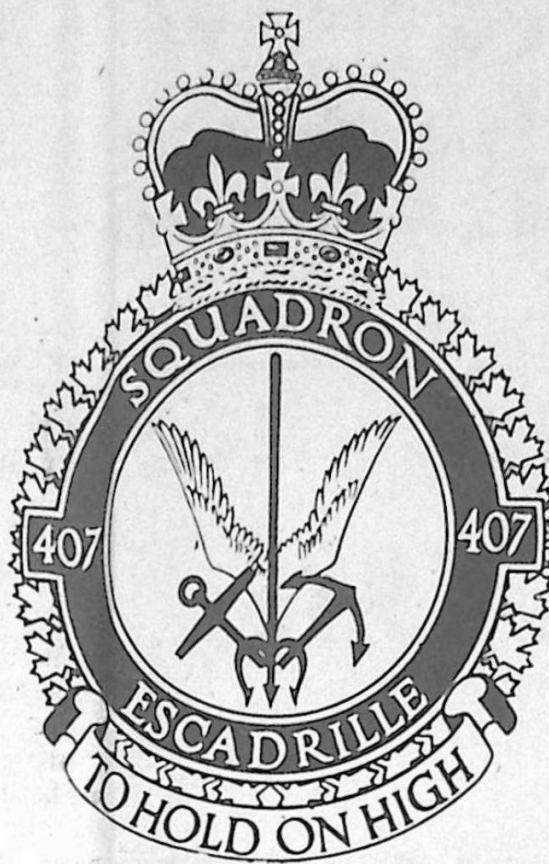
Have to sign off for now, but keep an eye out for next issue - there will be quite a number of people out of town at the time, affording an excellent opportunity to employ smear campaigns behind their backs.

P.S. Get well soon, Mel, we have chairs to move for the next party.

BGJK



New approach. LCol. Lott, 409 Squadron CO, announced recently his determination to lead the Nighthawks in this novel new approach to OpEval. By hiring the pictured juggler to grace the squadron while the evaluation team is examining our operations, he hopes to alleviate the depression inherent in these annual inspections, which in the past has led to mass hysteria, alcoholism and suicide. When asked the fate awaiting the jester after OpEval is finished, the Colonel said, "I suppose he'll go back to his own crowd, and accompany them on the Aurora Conversion course this spring."



"USAF to purchase nifty plane" The United States Air Force has announced plans to replace its aging fleet of SR-71 high altitude reconnaissance aircraft. In a ceremony at Fairchild AFB, the replacement plane, designated the SR-107, was unveiled. "The Price Was Right," Air Force spokesmen said.

407 Demon Doins

With Agus Ops slowly winding down, 407 Aircrew are spending most of their time looking to the future by way of Ground Training, possible exceptions being Maj. Ainslie and his Aurora Day Committee. Aurora Day, originally planned to be a Base/Sq. affair, has blossomed into an event of national significance with the possible inclusion of the Minister of National Defence on the guest list, as well as other high ranking national and provincial figures. Invitations have also been sent to our Pacific Rim allies and several foreign guests have confirmed military participation. Watch for promotion of

this event in future issues of the Totem Times.

In Hockey action, the 407 'B' league team sleazed into the playoffs last Monday by tying 442. This effort narrowly squeezed out the M.P. Section, who had a rough season.

In DIAC news, a successful explosive decompression was carried out on Friday the 13th.

A ground training day was held on Thurs. 12 Feb. with morning lectures and DIAC tours in the morning followed by a luncheon for squadron Officers at the Mess. The high point of the day was Gary Hines mug-out speech, which moved even the more cynical Squadron members.

The Demon Doings would like to welcome Capt. Bernie Rebeyka, our new Squadron PADO. We hope the Squadron will give Capt. Rebeyka max. cooperation as he tries to understand us.

Last Saturday Capt. Don Johnson led Crew Six skyward for their last official flight. A routine patrol was completed, and bubbly was opened shortly after deplaning. If you see a few long faces around the crewroom, they probably belong to Crew Six veterans who will find themselves scattered around after leaving the statistically most combat ready crew on Squadron.



Our wandering Buffalo crew has finally returned from a one week all expenses paid trip to Cold Lake. The team consisted of Capt. Blair, MCpl's Patterson, Emmerson, Hawkins, Gracey and Cpl. Carbonneau, and they were involved in trials on the Buffalo with the updated instrument package. Latest reports have the new ELT homer performing admirably. Now, if they could only get the equipment to Comox. Fleet installation is scheduled for Oct - Nov 81. Incidentally the homer works well on the unmodified PRQ501, which I'm sure is a great relief to many.

We've heard a lot recently about the forces being top heavy in rank. I'm beginning to believe it. Really now, does it take one Captain and four MCpl's to supervise a Cpl.

Capt. Randy Price of Labrador fame has proposed the latest theory behind the recent increase in paper quantity from the chief paper pusher. With the end of the fiscal year approaching money has been made available to install a system of weight switches in the pigeon holes throughout the squadron. Once a box is cleared a master warning light flashes on the chief pushers control console, indicating more paper is required for that box. Seems the system can be beaten though. A number of pilots have started to keep their log books in their mail slots. The extra weight seems to hold the switch down quite nicely.

Doug McQueen (sporting a new haircut, flying suit and cowboy boots) made a guest appearance last week to receive his Air Command

commendation for the Hobiton Lake rescue. Others receiving their commendations were Capt. Price, MCpl. Gray, MCpl. McMaster, Cpl. Sheppard and Cpl. Trumbley.

Good work, gentlemen. Best of luck to Lt's Bruce Beswick and Jim Thiessen who have departed for the Buffalo OTU in Trenton. See you in mid April.

This week sees a change over of secondary duties in the Buff pilot's section. Seems like Capt. Zoltan Pegan could not be trained to fly like anyone else, so everyone will now be trained to fly like Capt. Pegan. He takes over as Air Training Officer. Capt. Bob Morris assumes the position of Scheduler after he was discovered sneaking in at night to make schedule changes.

Operationally 442 has had another slow week, understandable I guess with the current weather trends, fog, rain and more rain. Who would want to fly in that anyway? We did provide a Buffalo and a Labrador on the morning of 13 Feb. to assist in an American search near Port Angeles. A Beech Bonanza disappeared off the radar screen at Whidbey Island after departing Port Angeles. A thorough water search and coast crawl was carried out but nothing was found.

On 14 Feb. the Labrador was launched to look for a missing fishing boat off Texada Island. The vessel was found sheltering in the lee of an island awaiting better weather conditions.

Well, that about wraps it up for this week. As we go to print we'll be in the midst of OPEVAL.

See you in the shelter.

OFFICERS' MESS ENTERTAINMENT

Friday, February 20 -
TGIO - OPEVAL '81 - Two kegs of draft beer and food.
Free from 1630 hrs.

Saturday, February 28 -
MEDIEVAL NIGHT - Once again the Officers' Mess will revert to former years of history of uncouth and unruly behaviour. Join our king at 1930 hrs., dressed appropriately (medieval garb or suffer the consequences). And enjoy a feast of Cornish game hen, fish and English mead and claret. Dance / Music after the meal. Cost - \$20 per couple, \$22 per guest couple. Limited number of seats. Reservations to Mess Manager by 1300 hrs. Wednesday, February 25.



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CDS at Defence Association meeting

A year ago we faced the dawn of the eighties with two serious events on the world scene; there was the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and the seizure of the US embassy members in Iran. The incomplete western boycott of the Olympics, the general strength of world reaction to the invasion and certain of the economic sanctions may have surprised and troubled the Kremlin, but did nothing to alter the path chosen by the Soviet leadership. Their troops are still in Afghanistan and many in the West seem to have become used to it.

In the Persian Gulf, not only has there been no resolution to the hostages plight, but we are now also witnesses to a war between Iraq and Iran, a war which has confounded the soothsayers; is dragging on and on; and, provides the potential for involving other nations.

And today, as the people of Poland struggle to find their own solutions to internal matters, the world watches anxiously.

It is not my intention to recite a catalogue of trouble spots and potential conflicts. I simply wish to make the point that the major concerns have not been resolved; indeed they have increased since we last met. Moreover the military might of the Soviet Union has continued to grow notwithstanding reported economic difficulties. The Minister has mentioned the SS-20; later on Admiral Fulton will tell you of powerful new additions to both surface and submarine fleets. The same theme rings true in conventional land and air forces.

As you can see, nothing has happened which would lessen the concern of the NATO nations that led, three years ago, to a resolve to achieve 3% real growth in defence expenditures, to modernize forces, to improve our readiness and to make progress in overcoming the imbalance. Indeed the situation is quite the opposite. At the December meeting of the Military Committee, my colleagues and I heard the reports of the Major NATO Commanders and were impressed by their comprehensive appreciations that this (3%) rate of growth is a floor not a ceiling. Later this morning you will hear from the Deputy Supreme Allied Commander Europe and I am very sure that he will bring you a strong message.

You will have heard that some of our Allies are faced with serious economic problems which imperil their rate of growth. It is a difficult period for the West; a period in which sacrifices have to be made to keep deterrence credible. It is a period in which the several publics involved must be provided with the facts they need to play their roles in democratic societies.

In this regard, in my travels across Canada over the last several months I have found a new awareness of the changing world situation and a widely based concern about the state of the forces. There is a thirst for information and a desire to understand. Our citizens want "to know" and they look to us, to you and to me, to tell them. At a time when we face great pressure from several directions on the resources of the nation, it is up to us to re-double our efforts to communicate; to assist other leaders and citizens to place in context and to understand the imperatives of the defence equation; to appreciate the essential part it plays, in partnership with our allies, in maintaining our security.

And on that note let me turn to the state of the Canadian Forces as we head into 1981. My two predecessors talked to you every year about money and I shall be no different. Funding stability is an imperative for long term planning; and growth is essential both to overcome the deficiencies of years of under-capitalization and to meet the increasing demands of the operational scene. In his budget speech of Oct 28, 1980, the Minister of Finance acknowledged this when he said "our defence spending will rise by 3% in real terms, reflecting our commitment to our NATO allies to beef up our defence capabilities". Earlier today Mr. Lamontagne said to

you that he believed we can be assured this will be the case until at least 1983-84. And as the government eventually turns to the period beyond that date, one can see that the same growth will need to continue until 1986-87, if the force structure we have today is to be re-equipped in a reasonable timeframe.

At the same time, I wish to make clear that we have made steady and substantial progress. From 1976, when Gen. Dextraze stood here and told you about the inception of the real growth formula in the capital vote, the total defence budget has increased 70% in constant dollar terms and the annual cashflow on capital has gone up 175% in constant dollars. Expressed another way, in the current fiscal year we are spending about three times as much on capital as we did in FY 75/76.

The signs of this progress are clearly visible throughout the forces; whether in Germany with the Leopard tank, in Calgary with the AVGP, in Toronto with the start of the Kiowa program for the Air Reserves, in Greenwood with the CP 140 Aurora or in Halifax with the Submarine Operational update program and impressive construction progress on the ship repair facilities in the dockyard.

Notwithstanding news reports of imminent disaster, if not extinction, the F-18 program is coming along very well indeed. We never expected that his fighter program, which takes us to the leading edge of modern technology, would not have teething problems; no similar aircraft development ever has. Well I can tell you, having been at the McDonnell-Douglas plant in St. Louis, Missouri two days ago, that all our original plans and forecasts are still quite valid.

One other equipment program, international in nature, which does not appear under our capital expenditures but rather under the heading of NATO contributions, is most worth of mention as Canada is the third largest financial and manpower partner in it. I speak of the NATO Air-

borne Early Warning Program which will establish a force of 18 Boeing E-3A to be under Allied command, based in Europe, and will operate throughout the whole NATO area. At maturity, this force will have some 160 Canadian members who will be involved in a system described by the US Secretary of the Air Force as "the stepping stone to space surveillance". The first aircraft will enter operational service early next year.

Coming back to our purely national affairs, we passed a major milestone last month in the ship construction program and final negotiations are now going on for the contract definition phase of the Canadian Patrol Frigate. I see this as the first phase of a continuing naval construction program which will go on beyond the turn of the century.

Having said that, I should explain that the department's longterm equipment plan has now mapped out acquisitions, in priority and time phasing for the next 15 years.

So you can see that we have come a long way. Our re-equipment program is in high gear and has established excellent momentum. Given this achievement coupled to the earlier discussion of funding stability, I have stated that we must now focus our attention on our principal asset, our people.

Our most challenging goal is to attract, effectively train and retain the highly motivated men and women we need, both regulars and reserves, to meet our defence commitments through the turn of the century.

This goal is becoming more and more challenging for number of reasons and in the short time available today I would like to discuss two or three.

The first is technology. Our new generation weapon systems whether on land, sea or in the air are at least an order of magnitude more complex than those being replaced. One example should suffice: The Argus, with no onboard digital computer is being replaced by the Aurora with eleven software languages. The

fighter and the patrol frigate are much the same story.

At the same time as we are looking for people with the appropriate skills and potential, Canadian high technology industry is on the march whether in aerospace, communications or computers with the same demands.

Furthermore the target population from which we recruit namely the 17-24 age group - is diminishing. You are all aware of declining enrolment in our schools; we are looking at a 30% reduction in that age group. Recruiting is going to be a more demanding challenge.

While that competition will be tough, it may well be even tougher with the fully trained service person. It is readily apparent to many enterprises that we are one of the largest and best training organizations in the country and they seek our product.

Yet another factor which affects our retention rate is regional economic disparities. As a boom develops in a particular area it puts pressure on the service member, particularly in the question of housing.

In short, we are faced with a situation which calls for a broad front approach in our personnel and compensation policies. This includes trade structures, training, accommodation, terms of engagement, employment of reserves, pay, allowances and the like.

At the same time we must ensure the proper place of the military ethic in our affairs. Our policies must take adequate account of the fact that we are different. Ours is not simply a job, it is a vocation. For we can never forget that our raison d'etre, is to apply or to threaten to apply force in defence of the nation.

I think General Sir John Hackett, the Principal author of the book "The Third World War" said it well, several years ago, in these words:

"The essential basis of the military life is the ordered application of force under an unlimited liability. It is the unlimited liability which sets the man who embraces this life somewhat apart. He will be (or should be) always a citizen. So long as

To be continued

Battle of the bosses

Commanding Officer
407 Maritime Patrol Squadron
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Lazo, B.C.
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Dear Sir:

Where has all the honour gone? Alas, that such an august organization as VP 407 Sqn could slip so low that it would dare to (without permission) publish the exalted works of Professor Stevens.

The Stevens' Theory of Flight demands the attention of its author or perhaps his designate and not some cretin who dares to deal with such a sensitive subject without guidance.

Men of the VP world should look to themselves, and determine if they can reverse the flow of moral decrepitude that allows such a heinous act to transpire.

Prof. Stevens is presently on strength with 442 Sqn., studying the effects of turboprop flight on his favourite creatures. He has notified us that he intends to share his information with the VP world if "they clean up their act".

Yours truly,
C.G. Diamond
Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Officer
442 T&R Squadron
CFB Comox

Commanding Officer
442 Transport and Rescue Unit
Canadian Forces Base Comox
Lazo, BC
VOR 2K0

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of 6 Feb 81, please accept my sincere apology for any embarrassment that may have been caused you or any member of 424 Search and Transport Squadron by the inadvertent publishing of The Stevens' Theory of Flight in the previous issue of the Totem Times. I agree with you wholeheartedly that the paper demands the full attention of its author and certainly should have received it prior to being published.

Please allow me to explain how this unfortunate incident occurred. As you know, we recently moved our offices from the Headquarters Building to No. 7 Hangar. My PAdO, a systematic and well organized individual used three boxes to facilitate the move of files, labelling the boxes Move (M), Store (S), and Throw It Out (TIO). Naturally, Stevens' paper was deposited in the TIO box along with outdated calendars, AOI's for the Neptune aircraft, and some dusty pictures of Buffaloes. (The animals, not the aircraft.) However, some of the contents of that box got mixed up with PIO material and was forwarded to the Totem Times for publishing.

So it was in fact my PAdO, Capt. Gary Hein, who, as you so aptly put it, was responsible for this "Heinous" act, and felt so badly about the whole episode that he resigned from the service last week.

Again, my sincere apologies for this unfortunate incident. We at 407 have only the highest regard for all members of 244 Search and Transport Sqn, and look forward to continuing our amicable relationship in the future.

Sincerely,
B.N. Cameron
Lieutenant Colonel
Commanding Officer
407 Maritime Patrol Squadron

P.S. Did you mean that Stevens is currently on strength with 440 Sqn or that he will be taken on strength presently. If the latter, perhaps you should look into the possibility of his being AWOL as he left our unit to join your squadron well over one year ago. Do you suppose he took some annual leave?

P.P.S. You might be interested to know that the Stevens' Theory of Flight is not entirely new. A paper discussing "LIFTEES, METOES, AND TORSKIES" was published in the Royal Ukrainian Air Force College Journal in June 1916, by a Lt. IVAN STEVENOVICH. Unfortunately the team "TORSKIE" sounded too much like "TROTSKY" who as you well know came into disfavour with Stalin and was assassinated by his secret police in Mexico in 1940. All copies of the Journal and STEVENOVICH's works have since been destroyed.

P.P.P.S. Does your Stevens speak with an accent?



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French rebut

The Editor,

Reference: Continuous French Course

I feel strongly that you may have generated a misconception concerning language training with your editorial of Feb 5th "Lets make a deal". In this editorial you dealt exclusively with Officers language training but, to my knowledge, the policy differs only in that phase 1 is five weeks longer for Other Ranks.

Lets take a look at that policy, as laid down in CFTS directive 4705-11 dated 13 Jan 81, I quote:

"The course involves 10 months of intensive training and is designed to allow unilingual candidates to attain the functional level in french". I stress the words intensive: meaning 6 hours per day in class (PT and coffee breaks make up the remainder) and functional: able to carry on using only french in a franco environment.

Now, a bit on pretesting and selection, a "master list" is prepared by the career manager (from a list of volunteers, we trust) and forwarded to the regional school. Candidates are then given the MLAT (Multiple Languages aptitude test) and other tests to determine ability to learn a second language. No ability - no course, volunteer or no!

I feel here that a bit of my personal history may be relevant as an example: In 1973 I attended 14 weeks of french language training in St Jeans, fully expecting a transfer to "La Belle Province" on completion. I was posted in June 1974 - to Lahr, Germany.

It may come as a surprise to

Ed. note:

I appreciate both your views and motivation towards the course. Rather than enter into a long harangue in print, let me just bring up a couple of quick points. First, as much as the members of your present course are all motivated by the reasons you list, I assure you this was not the case on the course immediately proceeding yours, and that postings were part of the package.

Second, I'd be interested to see the MLAT scores con-

learn that I was surprised to be selected for both my previous course and the current one. I have never in my career "volunteered" or "applied" for language training, but I do grasp opportunity when it presents itself, I feel one would be foolish not to.

As far as motivation is concerned, I feel I can speak for all nine candidates on the present course, ranging in rank from Cpl. to MWO, in saying that a "jammy posting" was not one of the things we expect as a result. We are here hopefully to broaden our horizons and increase our worth to the CF and perhaps make finding a job on retirement a little easier. We hope no one sees these as selfish goals.

Just a word of thanks to those people who have had to take on extra work in our sections to cover-off for us, thanks fellas, we do appreciate it.

In conclusion, let me stress that; as far as the nine of us on this course are concerned, a preference posting, to Quebec or anywhere else, was not understood by any of us to be part of the deal.

With the concluding paragraph of your editorial many of us are in full accord. We do have a couple of Phillie fans but the rest of us would like nothing better than to watch Gary C and the Expos win a pennant. With any luck, base policy may even be bent so some of us can take our cars with us, then we wouldn't even have to hitch-hike back and forth from Olympic Stadium.

Hal Dickie
MWO
Course Senior
Language trg school, Comox

sidered to be acceptable for entrance into the program. Assuming they have a fairly high standard at this early stage in the game, I'd be willing to bet that standard takes a few body blows as the program progresses and the supply of volunteers with the same motivation your course enjoys starts to dwindle.

Thanks again for the letter, but keep in mind that even if the Expos swipe a pennant - it will be the Yankees in the series in five.

BGJK



Operational Evaluation. The Op Eval team has been conspicuous on base this week as they test the readiness capability of the various sections and branches.

YOU AND THE LAW OF WAR

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PRISONERS OF WAR

While the first two rules we considered dealt with the protection of non-combatants, civilians and civilian objects, the third rule is more concerned with our conduct towards enemy combatants, and more specifically those who surrender or wish to do so. This rule states simply is: "Do not attack enemy soldiers, airmen or sailors who surrender. Disarm them and treat them as prisoners of war."

As we have learned, combatants are those persons who directly engage in an armed conflict. They may be members of the armed forces or of an organized resistance group. There may arise situations in which it is difficult to determine whether those who have been detained or captured are enemy combatants, partisans,

saboteurs, spies, or indeed innocent civilians. In such cases no attempt should be made to determine their status. They should be escorted to the rear as if they were prisoners of war. Thus, in all cases treat captives as prisoners of war.

How does this rule affect you? Well, for one thing, it is highly improper, to say nothing of illegal, to attack the enemy when he clearly indicates that he wishes to cease fighting. He may wave a white flag, throw down his arms, or indicate his intention in some other way, but once you are satisfied that his intention is clearly to surrender, let him know by speech or signs that you want him to come forward - UNARMED. Make certain you emphasize that last part. Pursuing your attack on an enemy position when he is trying to surrender will undoubtedly give him no incentive to do so, and might well merely serve to change

his mind and make him more determined to defend himself - costing you valuable time, ammunition, and perhaps lives. Give your enemy the opportunity to surrender if he wants to, and remember that it is an offence to fire upon an enemy who has thrown his weapons down and offers to surrender.

Again, a situation may arise in which enemy personnel who indicate a wish to surrender are also destroying equipment or intelligence information. Can you legally fire upon those engaged in such destruction? In a word - yes. These persons have not in fact surrendered, but are still engaged in a form of combat on behalf of the enemy.

When you have taken a captive you must treat him humanely. While the Geneva Convention Relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War provides that prisoners of

war are in the hands of the enemy government and not of the individuals or military units who have captured them, thereby making that state ultimately responsible for their treatment, the fact remains that when a person surrenders to you, or you force him to capitulate, he is under your immediate control. You must treat such persons as you would expect to be treated if captured. While this may seem like a motherhood statement, once a captive is under your control it is your responsibility to protect him from reprisals by your mates, his mates or angered civilians. Aside from this, you must be ever mindful that your captive, like you, has an obligation to take advantage of any reasonable opportunity to escape. So, while protecting him from harm, you must also ensure that he does not escape or cause harm to others. Remember, he represents a

possible source of valuable information. Moreover, other enemy personnel may more readily surrender if they know that you treat captives in a firm yet humane way; and don't worry, they will know!

We will consider in more detail in a future article other aspects of the treatment of prisoners of war, including what information they are required by law to reveal. In the meantime, this is a good place to remind you that general information about the Geneva Convention Relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War is contained in Canadian Forces Publication (CFP) 319(4), Unit Guide to the Geneva Conventions. A copy of this CFP should be available at your unit, and, while you are probably already familiar with its contents, you might just want to refresh your memory.

Reunion and curling

The Editor,

In April, 1981, the curling club at CFB Greenwood, N.S. will be holding its men's closing bonspiel. This year, we will celebrate the 25th anniversary of thespiel and we are attempting to locate the team that won the firstspiel in April, 1955. The members of that team were: F/L A.R. Westgate,

F/L J.W. Smith, Sgt. J.A. Byrne, Cpl. M. Slater.

If any of your readers know the whereabouts of these men, we would appreciate hearing from them. Please contact me at P.O. Box 932, Greenwood, N.S., BOP 1N0. Thank you. W.C. Abbott
Publicity
CFB Greenwood C.C.

The Editor,

Brandon, Manitoba will mark its 100th anniversary in 1982 and preparations for the celebration of this historic occasion are well underway.

One of the major functions of the year will be "Homecoming", designated for the period July 3rd to 11th inclusive, and the Cen-

tenial Committee is now in the process of establishing a register of persons who formerly resided in the city of Brandon. Through the courtesy of your newspaper, we would ask any ex-Brandonites in your area to send their names and addresses to us so they may be placed on our

Homecoming mailing list. Such correspondence should be addressed to the Brandon Centennial Committee, P.O. Box 1982, Brandon, Manitoba, R7A 6A3.

(Mrs.) Eva M. Campbell
CHAIRMAN

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EN FORME?

Le printemps arrive; c'est le temps de se remettre en forme. Evidemment, la diete et l'exercice ne sont pas des solutions faciles a l'embompoint. Et les remede de miracle n'existe pas quoiqu'en disent certains experts. Par exemple, les injections d'enzymes ont finalement prouve leur totale inefficacite; le meme resultat a ete observe avec les injections de vitamines-minerales. Quant aux crèmes et lotion dites "speciales" elle ne contiennent habituellement rien de plus

que tout autre creme a massage.

Il n'y a simplement pas d'autre solutions que l'exercices et la diete.

Voici les resultat d'un recent sondage sur les habitudes de vie des nord-americains

15% sont tres actifs

16% sont moderement actifs

28% sont moins actifs

41% sont non actifs

En outre les gens actifs se disaient moins fatigues moins tendus, plus disciplines et plus productifs. Et cette meme categorie de gens jouissaient en general

d'une plus grande confiance en soi, une meilleur image de soi, une meilleur coordination de meme qu'un sentiment de bien etre.

Il n'est pas rare de trouver dans les journeaux certaines annonces nous garantissant la perte de 12 livres en une semaine.

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AU FOND, C'EST QUOI TON ASSOCIATION ?

D'ABORD C'EST PAS MON ASSOCIATION.
C'EST LA TIENNE, LA NOTRE!
J'VAIS T'EXPLIQUER TOUT CA...

Les objectifs de ton association:

Unir et encourager les francophones de la Colombie-Britannique pour la promotion de leur langue, leur culture et leur heritage national, en dehors de tout parti politique;
...il faut que je te fasse un peu d'histoire. Mais ne t'en fais pas, je n'ai pas, je n'ai pas l'intention de remonter jusqu'aux celebres "Voyageurs" venus ici, en Colombie, participer aux expeditions des Mackenzie et autres Fraser. Je te rappelle simplement qu'il y avait beaucoup de Canadiens francais dans la Colombie.

-- Je dois t'apprendre, si tu ne le sais pas, que le plus important mouvement de migration canadienne-francaise en Colombie est a l'origine de la creation de Maillardville, ville au nord de Vancouver. C'etait au debut du siecle, plusieurs centaines de familles canadiennes-francaises sont arrivees pour travailler dans l'industrie du bois. Leur premier cure s'appelait Maillard. C'etait un Francais de France.

-- Oui mais, ton association, la dedans?
-- Je t'ai deja dit que ce n'etait pas mon association. Enfin, pour "raccourcir une longue histoire". A la fin des annees 40, des gens qui croyaient fermement au principe selon lequel l'union fait la force, ont decide de se regrouper en petites associations de Canadiens francais disseminees dans la province.

-- Celles-ci, sont regroupees en une grosse association s'appelant la Federation des FRANCO-COLOMBIENS.
-- Y a grand meme un executif et des assemblees generales?
-- Bien entendu, l'Assemblee generale, c'est l'organe de Base. C'est democratique, et ton opinion est ecoute.

-- Mais a quoi ca sert?

-- A regrouper les gens de langue francaise, d'abord, et ensuite, a faire en sorte que la communauté Canadienne Française devienne un apport positive dans notre region, notre communauté.

-- De quoi ca vit?
-- La grande question! Le cout de la vie est aussi eleve pour les organisations de ce genre que pour les meres de famille. Je te garantis. Alors, il y a les subsides gouvernementaux ou prives et puis le cotisations des membres. Il y a beaucoup de gens, dans les Associations, qui pensent qu'on devrait trouver des formules

d'autofinancement, tu sais, des moyens bien a nous pour liberer, autant que possible, notre organisation de sa dependance economique.

-- C'a du bon sens. Si on est pres de 100,000 de langue francaise dans la province, ca ne devrait pas etre impossible de se batir un budget bien a nous, de donner des moyens a notre association.

-- A la bonne heure. Je vois que t'as compris...

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Totem sports

INDOOR SOCCER LEAGUE

Last February 2, the teams for the kids soccer were set up. We had a very good response and have four teams made up of both boys and girls between the ages of 6 - 12.

TEAM No. 1
Black Knights

Terry Williams
Kelly Williams
Bobby Williams
Dennis McGlaughlin
Troy Dierk
Ted Vecquerey
Jeffrey Baltzer
Time Huston
Rick Gionet
Shawn Cornfield
Christopher MacLoud
Todd Houston

TEAM No. 3
Yellow Cougars

Tasha MacDonald
Michael Synnuck
Chris Landry
Danny Landry
David Cook
Tom Webber
Doug Hallam
Michael Pruitt
Shawn Rebeyka
Jay Rebeyka
Sean Badcock
Jamie Badcock
Greg Bullard

TEAM No. 2
Green Demons

Donald Penney
Cindy Baxter
Shawn Burny
Jason Burny
Chris Keller
David Keller
Michael Burgess
William Cardenas
Steven Murphy
Brian Barker
Joel Lewis
Brian Bullock

TEAM No. 4
Red Barons

Dori Futch
Paul Nodwell
Darren Verville
Ian Verville
Rick Jennings
Caley Johnston
Ashley Slater
Jim Parker
Steven Payne
Daren Ward

SCHEDULE

2 Feb	1 vs 2 3 vs 4	16 Mar	1 vs 2 3 vs 4
9 Feb	3 vs 1 4 vs 2	23 Mar	3 vs 1 4 vs 2
16 Feb	1 vs 4 2 vs 3	30 Mar	1 vs 4 2 vs 3
23 Feb	4 vs 3 1 vs 2		
2 Mar	3 vs 1 4 vs 2	6 Apr	4 vs 3 1 vs 2
9 Mar	1 vs 4 2 vs 3	13 Apr	3 vs 1 4 vs 2
		20 Apr	1 vs 4 2 vs 3

First Game (Top) start - 6:15 pm
Second Game starts - 7:00 pm

PLAY-OFFS - Saturday 25 Apr 81.
NOTE: - Running shoes must be worn.
If you have a son or daughter who would like to join, or if you would like to volunteer to help with the team, please contact MCpl. Swann at local 315.

MASTER SWIM

Since the last entry in the Totem Times the Masters Swim has been moving right along. The swimmers have been reaping the rewards of their efforts. From starting off with only being able to swim a few lengths at a go, the swimmers now are into doing their own workouts.

Three of the four competitive strokes have been taught which has allowed the Masters to jump into a program that fitted their ability.

Some excitement was created a few weeks ago when we were able to obtain the use of a colour video camera, from the BITO, to show the swimmers how well they are doing.

The results amazed the swimmers. To most, this was the first time they saw themselves on T.V. It also drew out some of the areas where a swimmer could improve the stroke to achieve more comfort and speed.

We plan to do this again a few months down the road to compare progress. This time we would also like to get an underwater view which will give us an insight as to body angleage.

Two of our swimmers, Bonnie Pronk and Frank Sibierski are, on Feb. 15, entering an invitation Masters Swim Meet in Victoria - let's wish them luck & success.

INTERSECTION BROOMBALL

Unfortunately due to service commitments the play-offs will not begin until mid-March. However, I am quite confident the rivalry will be there when they return to the ice.

TEAM	GP	W	T	L	GF	GA	PTS	PL
Tigers	23	14	2	5	42	20	30	1st
Falcons	23	9	3	11	29	33	21	2nd
Knights	21	8	3	10	22	36	19	3rd
Demons	21	8	2	11	25	26	18	4th

The intersection broomball regular season came to an end this week. The standings looked like this:

LUNCH HOUR ACTIVITIES

Did you know that the base pool is open from 1130 - 1300 hrs for Military swim from Monday to Friday. Most people that come out and swim find that it makes a nice break in the day and is very relaxing.

We have a board up by the pool where every day when you swim, you can record how many laps you have swam. At the end of the month the laps are totaled and put into miles,

once you reach 50 miles you get a certificate, then when you reach 100 miles you get another certificate. It is a fun way of swimming and does not take long to do.

We also leave the sauna open all day, a few people like to have a sauna after swimming or after they have been for a jog. The sauna is very good for cleaning the pores in your skin, but remember if you are not used to it, do not

stay in for very long. There is a map on the wall by the office for those who like to jog. The jogging routes are marked clearly on the map. Also you can record the amount of miles each day on a chart inside the office. This is the same idea as the swimming. You will find that you get an incentive to do more. But take it slow from the beginning.



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VOLLEYBALL RESULTS

This year the Comox men's Volleyball team went to Royal Roads Military College to compete in the Volleyball tournament. Comox played a Round Robin and defeated Chilliwack in two games, 15-8 and 15-5. But our team

was defeated when they played against three other teams. Allenby Ford 11-15, and 4-15, Camosun 7-15 and 9-15, and Noon-sack 13-15 and 11-15. This was the first tournament of the year. The next tournament will be

held on the 3 and 4 of March at Esquimalt for the Pacific Region Championships. This will be a chance for the men to earn a berth to go to the Canadian Forces National Volleyball championships at CFB St. Jean, Quebec in late March.

The Comox service womens' volleyball team will also be at CFB Esquimalt during the same time for the same stakes. Hopefully we can take the teams to the nationals.

FINAL STANDINGS 1980
INTERSECTION VOLLEYBALL

The final standings of the 1980 Intersection Volleyball league are as follows:

Telecom
Fire Hall
PERI
Supply
Girls
USAF
CE
Admin

The above teams were seeded according to points, defaults and interest.

As per the constitution of this league the play offs will start 11 Mar 81. A 2 out of 3 series will be played until the finals which will be a 3 out of 5 series. Until the play-offs start the gym will be available to all teams for practice games.

The play-off schedule is as follows:

11 Mar	1130	Telecom	Vs	Admin	1
	1130	Fire Hall	Vs	CE	2
	1215	PERI	Vs	USAF	3
	1215	Supply	Vs	Girls	4
18 Mar	1130	Winner of 1	Vs		4
		(A)			
	1130	Winner of 2	Vs		3
		(B)			
Finals	1215	Winner A	Vs	B	

UPCOMING EVENTS

PAC REGION ROAD RACE

Pacific Region Road Race Championships

Host - CFB Chilliwack - 11 Apr 81.

Categories - Servicewomen (all ages), Event 3, & 6

miler;

Open Men (under 40), Event - 3, 6 & 20 miler;

Masters Men (40 & over), Event - 3, 6 & 20 miles.

All entries to be made prior to 26 Feb 81.

All military personnel wishing to compete in the above tournament are to contact MCpl. Swann at local 315.

PAC REGION BADMINTON

Pacific Region Male & Female Badminton Championships

Host - CFB Esquimalt - 17 - 18 Mar 81.

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Face-Off time between the Officers of CFB Chilliwack and CFB Comox. Col. Chisholm appears not to take notice of the foot or rather "Boot" in mouth appearance of one of the centres, as he drops the puck. Is this a new strategy to the game? Comox swept the two game series from their Fraser Valley opponents.

PACIFIC REGION
HOCKEY

The Totems have done it again. Comox hosted the Pacific Region Hockey Championships Feb. 9 - 11. Monday saw the Totems defeat Esquimalt by a wide margin of 11-2. Needless to say the play was mainly at one end.

The following day, Esquimalt met Fleet with almost the same results - finals score 9 - 2 for Fleet. It must be said that Fleet had an exceptional goalie Jim Gerhart, who was a key

player for the team. Plus St. Louis for Fleet showed talent and determination that can't help but build morale.

These games lead to an exciting battle between Comox & Fleet. Final score was 5 - 2 for Comox, but the score was not indicative of the type of game played. It was a hard fought game with good sportsmanship from both teams. The better team won - one more time.

INTERSECTION
HOCKEY

The regular season has finally come to a close and unfortunately the end of the season for the MSE team and the MPs' team. The final standings looked like this.

	CP	W	T	L	GF	GA	PTS	PL
ATC	21	18	2	1	113	45	38	1st
409	21	14	1	6	112	71	29	2nd
442	21	11	2	8	91	77	24	3rd
407	21	6	4	11	76	123	16	4th
MP	21	6	2	13	82	92	14	5th
MSE	21	2	1	18	65	128	5	6th

The play-offs will begin on the 23rd of February at 1815 with 442 facing 409 and the 2000 game will feature 407 against ATC. The semi finals will be two out of three and the finals 3 out of 5.

BIG SURPRISE IN BROOMBALL!

Saturday Feb. 7, 1981, 8:00 p.m. at Glacier Arena, CFB Comox, an all star team made of old and young broomball players of

noon league with the help of their goaltender Andy Bannister, gave hard time to Base team.

The Super team without their coach Larry Manns,

their star's Cliff Fuller, star's room the morale was very high. The questions were: Where is Larry? Where are our cases of beer from Base team?

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After a Round Robin was completed, tied for first place were Comox, Esquimalt and Chilliwack.

Comox played Chilliwack. They played Esquimalt and won both games, therefore, Comox walked away in first place. This is the third time in a row that Comox has come in first place. The team reports that each year the Curling competition gets closer and closer. This makes the game more fun and more of a challenge.

CFS Holberg looked after the visiting teams very well and all were made to feel very welcome. Their stay ended with a banquet that was enjoyed by all. On the CFB Comox team were: Skip - MD Viklund 3rd - J. Pate 2nd - B. Ainslie Lead - R. Waters CONGRATULATIONS TO THE TEAM.

HEADS UP LADIES

EXERCISE CLASSES

On Monday, Wednesday and Fridays you will see a few of the familiar Badminton players who stay on for the exercise class that runs from 1000 - 1100 hours.

The instructor is Mrs. Jill Smith who is doing a fantastic job as a volunteer leader. Jill gives the ladies a good hours' work out.

The exercise class runs from September through to May. Babysitting is available for a small charge of .50¢ per hour and .25¢ additional for each child from the same family. There is not a

charge for the exercise class. This is a popular class with about 30 ladies attending. They all seem to have fun because they always come back to the next class.

So with badminton players and ladies doing exercises, the gym is well used for the two hours.

Mrs. Smith is being posted this coming summer and will be surely missed by all for her dedication and helpfulness in making this endeavour a complete success.

BADMINTON

During the two weeks of January 12 - 16 and January 26 - 30, a class was held in the gymnasium for any ladies who were interested in learning to play badminton. This included any beginners, intermediates or advanced players. The instructors were Capt. G. Pronk and WO B. Buckle y. These classes were held every morning from 0900 - 1000 hours.

There was a lot of enthusiasm in the classes,

especially the first one where about 35 ladies turned up.

They were taught all the rudiments of Badminton and game strategy. Also this included a bit of exercise before class.

By the end of the two weeks, you could definitely see the improvement in the game. Now that the classes are over some of the ladies still come out and play Badminton in the mornings just for the fun. It is good exercise as well.

NEWS FLASH - Bonnie Pronk set two national records in her age group in 50 yrd breaststroke and 50 backstroke. Frank did well also, in this his first meet ever - Great Show, you two - We're proud of you!

BASE FAST-PITCH SOFTBALL

The baseball season is just around the corner.

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Societies & non-profit organizations

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Around the base

P.M.Q.

PREAMBLE

This column is getting as slim as Jill Smith's keep-fit class. The ladies are still plodding along every Mon., Wed. and Fri. from 10:00 to 11:00. They swim on Mon. and Wed. morning in the heated pool, and on Fri. the weight room is open for anyone wishing to use the equipment there. The girls go out to lunch once a month to celebrate their weight loss. There is no fee for the Keep-Fit class, and new members are always welcomed. There is a baby sitting service in the little office across from the bowling alley. There is a small fee for this.

The old complaint of dogs and cats is still with us.

Try to contain your animals and please keep your dogs from barking. Garbage is another complaint. Please put your garbage out the morning of pick up, in containers with a tight lid. Plastic garbage bags are not to be put out. Not only do the birds get in it, but the men collecting the garbage can get badly cut if there is broken glass, tin cans, etc. It has happened.

Bicycles are still another complaint. After you've taught your sixteen year old to drive a car, you don't buy him one because he knows how to drive. I feel it should be the same with a bicycle. The children must learn the rules of the road and be taught to respect them. If the bike is going to be driven at night, it should have a light and reflectors. Ensure the bike is not too big for your child.

"Thinking Week" is almost over now. This is the week that Brownie, Cubs, Scouts and Guides all

over the world celebrate the birth of their founder, Lord Baden-Powell. On Sunday, Feb. 22nd, is our annual Church Parade. The boys and girls meet at the Airport School between 1:30 and 1:45 and march to the Protestant Church for a short service beginning at 2:00 p.m. After, they parade back to the school where there will be displays to show what each Pack and Company has accomplished so far this year. There will be a few guest speakers, and will end with a Campfire. Coffee will be served by the L.A. Please come out and attend.

The 2nd and 6th Brownie Packs had a Fly-up on Mon., Feb. 9. Five Brownies from the 2nd Pack, and 4 from the 6th Pack flew up to Guides. These girls are going to be missed, as they were Golden Hand girls and helped a lot with the Pack.

I must say hi to Ruby and Dave again, also to the new kid, Phil.

Congratulations to Don and Jackie Chamberlain on their 25th wedding anniversary on Feb. 14th.

Also, congratulations to the base hockey team, the Totems for winning the Pacific Region Championship. They will be off to Cold Lake in April to bring back the trophy.

Did you know that in India there is a group of natives who worship the God, Kali. Once a week they bring a watermelon and offer it to their God, and sing the hymn, "Here's another mellow, Kali Baby".

'Till next deadline!

C.F.B. COMOX BASE COMMANDER'S COMMENDATION In Recognition of Outstanding Service CPL. FRANK KATO



This commendation is presented to Corporal Frank Kato for the selfless application of his time, energy and skills to many very worthwhile community activities, including Air Cadets, Comox Valley Child Development Centre, Comox Library and Health Centre, Disabled Children, and the Lions Club. He has set an outstanding example for all military personnel and has won for the Base much public support and administration. We all benefit from the goodwill generated by people like Corporal Kato.



The Totem Little Theatre will be meeting on 24 February at 7:00 p.m. at the Base Theatre. We are still lacking male participation. If you are interested, male or female, please come out and join us. For further information call Peter Witter 339-3782.

CHURCH PARADE

We meet at Airport School between 1:30 and 1:45 on Sun., Feb. 22nd. Parade to Protestant Church. Service is at 2 p.m. Parade back to school for short skits and songs. Each Pack and Company will have displays. Coffee will be served. Brownies, Guides,

Cubs and Scouts will be receiving their "Religion In Life" Badge at the Service, which is non-denominational.

NOW THAT'S GRATITUDE!!

MCpl Burnell, MCpl. Mondeville, Sgt. Howard, Pvt Shaw.

During a recent exercise 3 of 442's gallant SAR TECHS courageously jumped into the chilling waters of Comox harbour to rescue burn victims from a fire ravaged vessel. Upon returning to Base, the infamous Capt. Minnie Costello (CFB Comox Flight Nurse) noting that the physically drained techs were without any ID, turned them into the Military Police for processing, incarceration and identification. Now that's gratitude!

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Commander Air Command Message cont'd from Page 1

can be introduced into the system, so any expansion will have to be done at an orderly rate.

I am very gratified with the assistance being provided to the command by Class "C" reservists, some 300 of whom are now working full time for us. The Air Reserve units too, continue to provide me with a great deal of assistance, and I feel that we are at the point where the reserves have viable roles, and expansion is timely. In the past several years, the very acute need for modern equipment within the regular force coupled with budgetary constraints meant that the reserves requirement for new equipment could not be fully satisfied - not only in air command but across the forces. Now, however, we are receiving new equipment in increasing quantities and the reserves are starting to share in this revitalization.

The provision of Kiowa helicopters to the Air Reserve Wings in Toronto and Montreal is a first step. This program is in keeping with our objective to provide equipment to the reserves that will enable them to provide necessary augmentation to the regular force.

At present, over 25% of the cockpit positions in air command are in helicopters and yet we have had no reserve force backup to augment us in this critical area during mobilization despite the fact that there is a recognized augmentation

requirement in the tactical helicopter squadrons for 77 additional pilots. As I mentioned earlier, our main constraint in the forest fire assistance was a shortage of trained helicopter pilots. The Kiowa program will allow the reserve squadrons to support regular force land militia units both directly and in conjunction with tactical helicopter squadrons. Sixteen Kiowas will be delivered to the air reserve this year.

A significant constraint in the air reserves is the paid ceiling of 950 personnel. We hope to see this increased incrementally as our resource situation continues to improve. In the meantime, I will propose to NDHQ the establishment of senior reserve officer positions at both air command Hqs and at the various group Hqs. This will allow senior air reservists more participation in regular force planning and mobilization tasks.

Turning now to another item of interest in 1980, I am very encouraged by the positive decisions taken on the recommendations of the task force on unification. I am confident that they will provide a better identity for air command members within the Canadian Forces which will be good for our new people joining and good for the command as a whole. Recruits joining the service must be given a strong identity if we are to achieve a strongly motivated, cohesive organization of dedicated personnel.

Air Command faces a number of challenges as we enter a new year. Perhaps the greatest challenge will be to maintain a significant amount of obsolescent equipment while trying to gear up for the new equipment entering service such as the Aurora, the F-18 Hornet and the ROCC. In particular, the Pinetree Line of 24 long-range radars, the Argus, the CF-101 and the CF-104 are all very manpower intensive, and spares support is becoming increasingly difficult for some of these weapon systems. For example, the F-101 is now flown by only 2 Air National Guard Squadrons in the U.S. and they will cease flying by 1982. After that we are on our own with the Voodoo.

Our difficulty in maintaining aging equipment is exacerbated by the difficulties we have had recruiting, training and retaining qualified technicians. As I am sure you can appreciate, it is difficult to motivate a young technician today to learn the complexities of tube type electronics when it is known that the future lies in solid state equipment and they become the target of very aggressive companies which offer higher wages and better benefit packages.

I am convinced, though, that given the new equipment coming on line and continuing efforts to provide our new members with a strong identity, we will be successful both in recruiting and in retention.

Another challenge that I face is in managing the very extensive infrastructure for which I am responsible. Air Command has 16 bases, 21 stations and 4 dew line main sites to manage as well as a complex variety of units which the bases and stations support. It is a constant challenge to air command in conjunction with NDHQ, to ensure that the most effective use is made of all this infrastructure.

On the national level, we in air command are very pleased with the report of the standing committee for external affairs and National Defence on the question of a further NORAD agreement renewal. As you may be aware, the agreement was due for renewal in 1980 but was extended for a year by mutual consent of the two governments. The standing committee have now completed their deliberations and in December recommended to parliament that the NORAD agreement be renewed for a further five years.

There is little doubt that major decisions are required concerning NORAD equipment projects. Some decisions like the ROCC program, have already been announced; however, decisions are also required on the future of both the Dew Line and Pinetree Line because they will soon be impossible to maintain at the present level of operational capability.

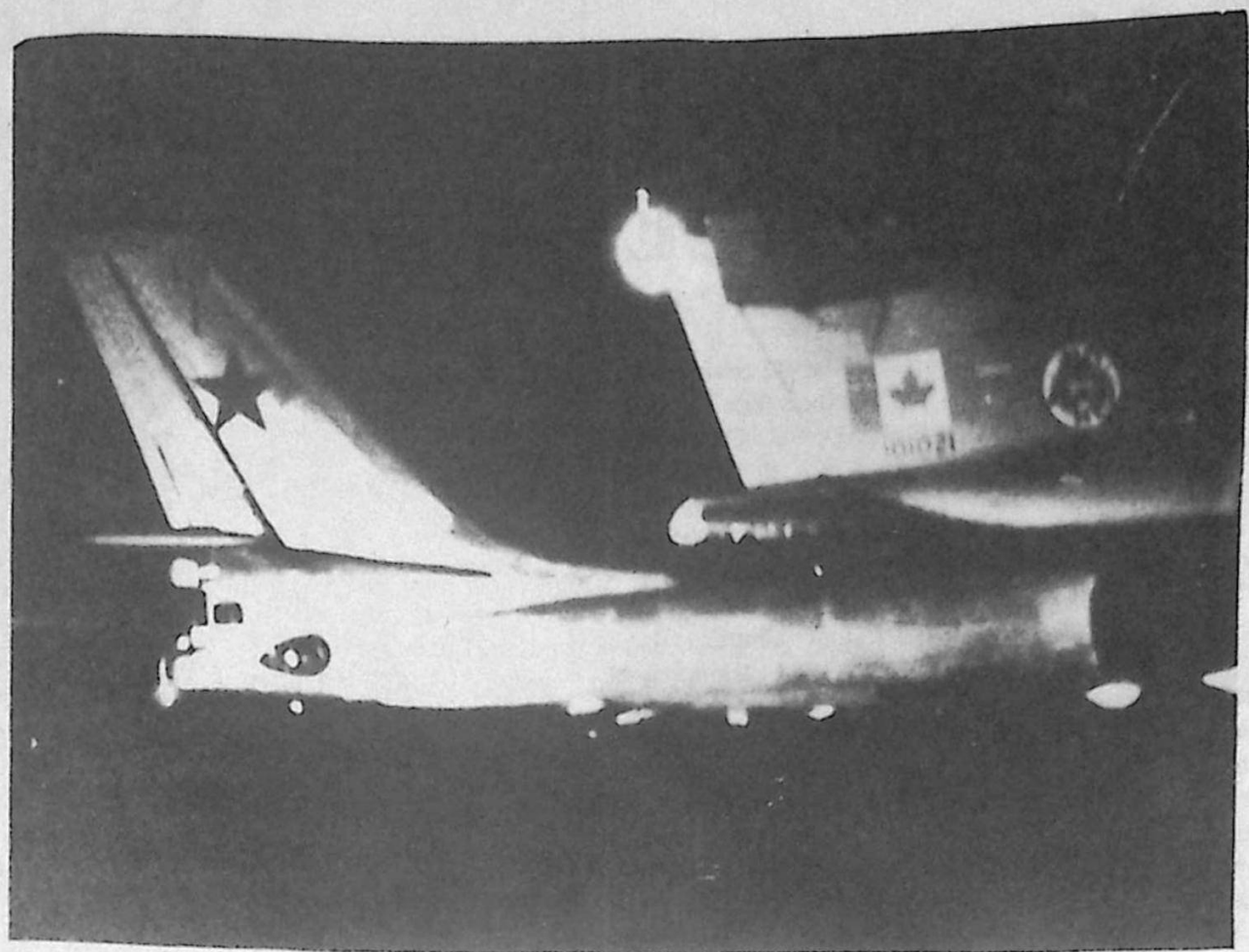
Obviously, major equipment acquisition programs must be planned jointly between ourselves and the United States because North America Air Defence is a collective effort. I am very hopeful that, following the NORAD agreement renewal, new programs will emerge which will permit effective aerospace capability and, because of new technologies, more efficiently than is now the case.

In conclusion, I would like to say that Air Command is now reaping the benefits of our governments' commitment to re-equip the Canadian Forces. We still have a long way to go but the events of the past year are very encouraging both to Air Command and to the Air Reserves. The significant real growth in our capital procurement budget both in the past few

years and promised for the future is leading us to restored capabilities, more efficiently sustained. We must not get complacent however - it is incumbent upon us all to ensure that

the money is spent wisely in support of our assigned roles so that we can maintain Canada's defence commitments as economically as possible.

RUSSIAN BEAR HUNTING



A Canadian Forces Voodoo flies close formation on a Russian Bear aircraft following an interception last week in the Canadian identification zone east of Newfoundland. The interception was made after the Soviet aircraft had been detected by ground radar operations monitoring the area. Two CF-101 jet interceptors from 416 Squadron base in Chatham N.B., made the interception. The Bear is the Soviet Union's primary long-range bomber.

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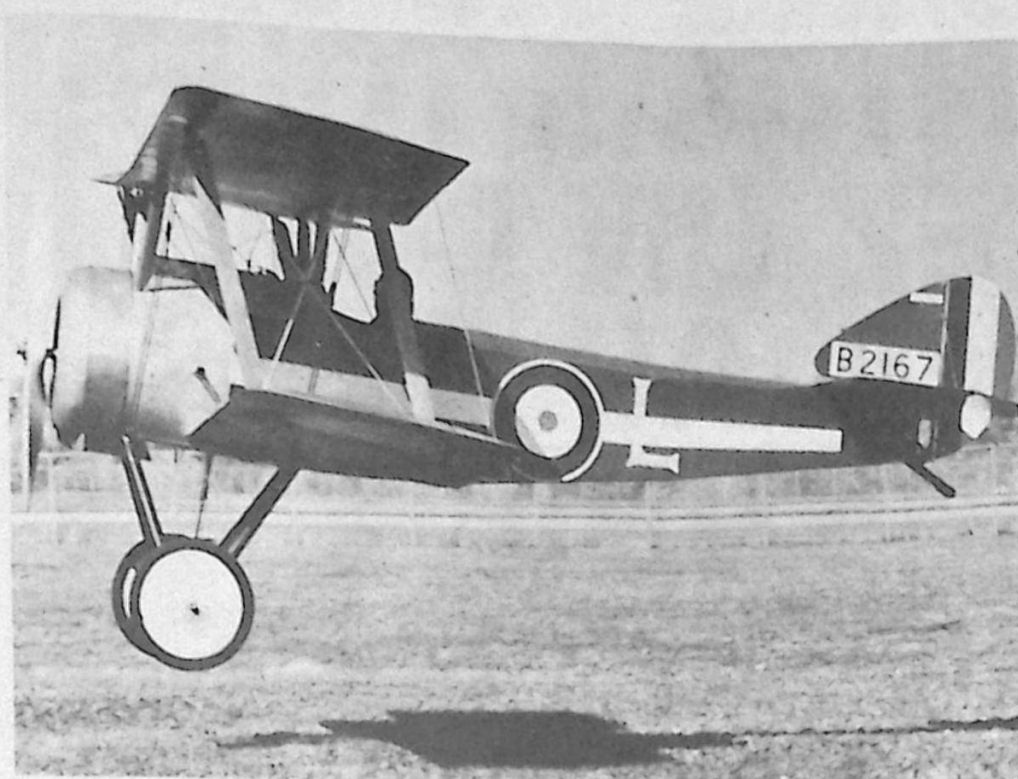
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COMBINED SAR

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During the night of December 2, the Rescue Coordination Centre (RCC) Trenton received from the U.S. Coast Guard unit in Cleveland, Ohio, a request for assistance in locating a 17-foot canoe overdue on Lake Superior. Despite hazardous weather con-

ditions in the search area, 424 (T&R) Squadron dispatched a C-130 Hercules. Provided with three spotters from a local Search Unit in Thunder Bay, Ontario, Major Garry Ferguson's crew flew some five hours before finding the canoe and stayed in the area until the arrival of a U.S.C.G. unit. Unfortunately, the lone passenger of the canoe had already died.

In a subsequent congratulatory message, RAdm A.F. Fugaro, Com-

mander of the Ninth Coast Guard District, stated in part: "This search was conducted under the most adverse search conditions. The fact that the Canadian C-130 located the canoe in such conditions was due to their outstanding perseverance and professionalism. This is another example that exemplifies the spirit of international cooperation between our two countries in providing assistance to the Great Lakes mariner".

Senior Appointment

OTTAWA -- Defence Minister Gilles Lamontagne has announced that Brigadier-General John Dunn, 50, of Sherbrooke, Que., will be promoted to major-general and appointed Chief of Reserves for the Canadian Forces on February 1.

Brig.-Gen. Dunn at present Senior Reserve Advisor Land to the Commander, Mobile Command replaces Maj.-Gen. Richard Rohmer who is retiring from the appointment after three years.

In his new position as Chief of Reserves, Brig.-Gen. Dunn will be responsible for advising the Chief of Defence Staff on all matters pertaining to the Reserve forces, now numbering approximately 21,000.

Brig.-Gen. Dunn began his military career in 1948 in the militia as a second lieutenant with the Fusiliers de Sherbrooke and assumed command of the units as a lieutenant-colonel in 1960. He was promoted colonel in 1968 as militia advisor to the Commander, Quebec Command, Montreal. In

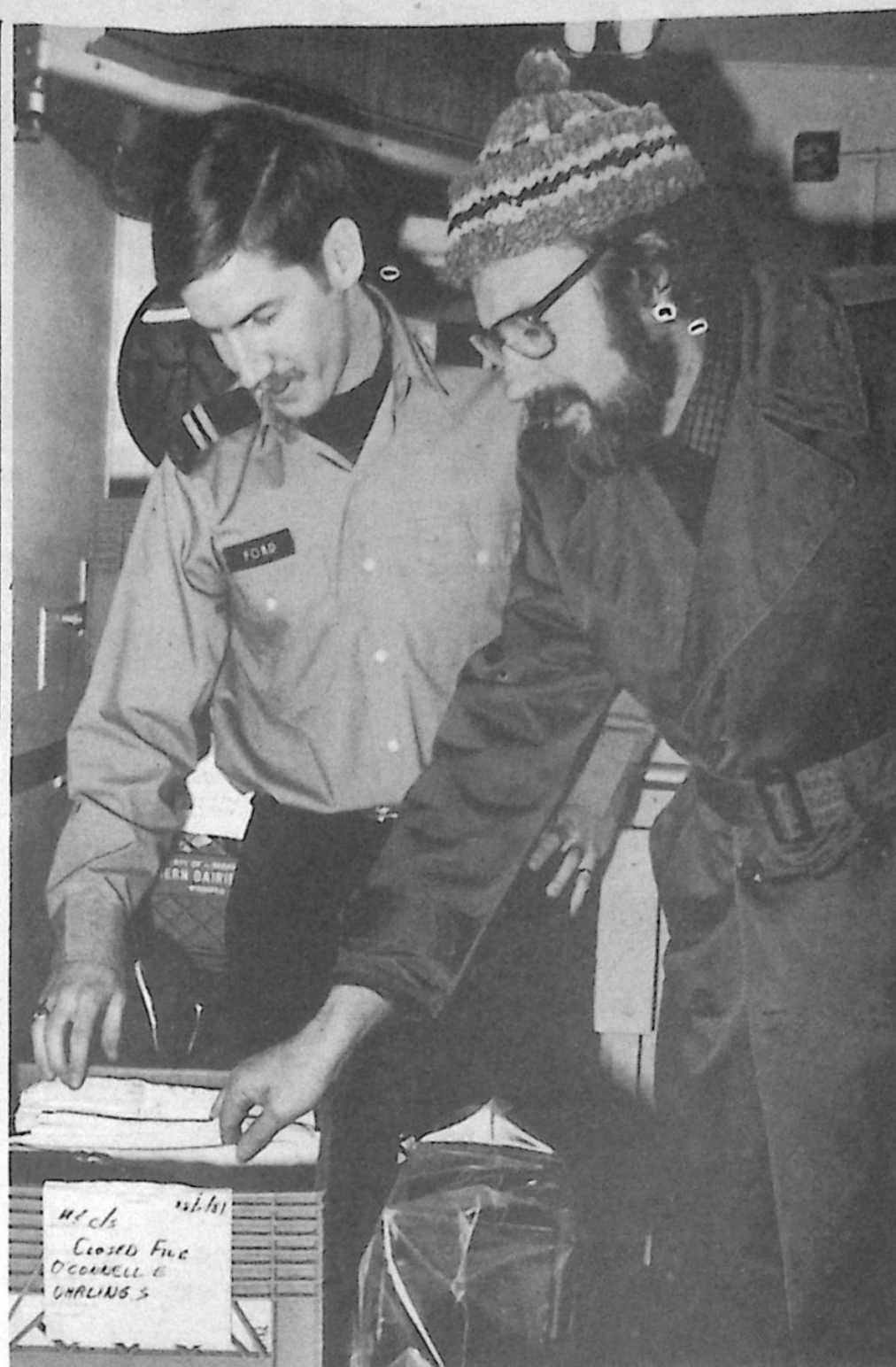
1970, he was appointed assistant to the Commander of Secteur de l'Est (Quebec Militia District East).

In 1973, he was assigned to command Militia District No. 1, Quebec, with headquarters in Montreal and, in 1974, was promoted to Brigadier-General and appointed Commander of the Area, Secteur de l'Est. He assumed his present appointment in 1977.

Brig.-Gen. Dunn is a graduate of the Loyola College of Montreal, Militia Staff Officer Course, in Kingston, Ont., Bishop's University, Lennoxville, Que., and the School of Business Administration at the University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario.

In civilian life, he is president of Assurances C.W. Dunn Inc., Sherbrooke, a director of Les Industries Val Cartier, a trustee of Bishop's University and a director of the Order of St. John.

Brig.-Gen. Dunn will be replaced by Brig.-Gen. D.J. Anderson of Vancouver.



FREEZE DRIED -- Captain Gary Ford, left, commandant of the Canadian Forces School of Aeromedical Training, Winnipeg, and Charles Brandt, chief conservator for the Manitoba Archives, check one of 417 crates of charred and frozen provincial government documents awaiting freeze drying in the school's hypobaric chamber. The files were damaged in a major fire at the provincial welfare offices in downtown Winnipeg. When hairdryers and fans proved too time consuming and inefficient as a drying method, Brandt thought of the forces' hypobaric chamber. Use of a high altitude indoctrination chamber is recognized as a well-proven method of restoring water-damaged documents. Frozen papers placed in it and brought up to an atmosphere of 100,000 feet are freeze-dried, as ice is vaporized and evaporated. This restoration method has been used successfully before at the school and at other Canadian Forces bases, such as Shearwater and Downsview.



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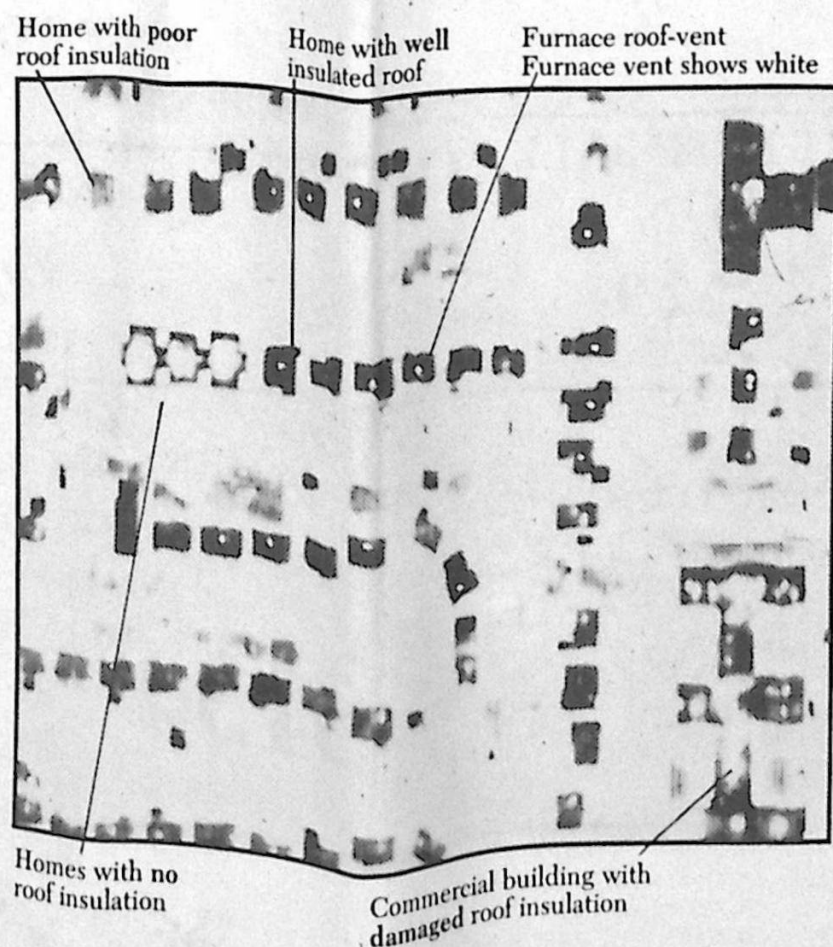
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