

NEW HEADQUARTERS — New general offices of Pacific Western Airlines Ltd. have been opened at 1137 West Hastings street. In addition, the company maintains a passenger traffic office at 1023 West Georgia street; traffic and operations offices, hangars and shops at Vancouver International Airport.

Leading Industrialists Pay Tribute To Airlines

Two of British Columbia's best-known industrialists, H. R. MacMillan and M. M. O'Brien, managing director of Bralorne Mines Ltd., have expressed interest and pleasure in the announcement of formation of Pacific Western Airlines by F. Russell Baker, noted Canadian airman.

"It is gratifying to see an expansion of facilities into the area heretofore served by Central B.C. Airways," said Mr. MacMillan.

"Anything that will expedite getting around on this coast and in the north is for the good of the province. An extension in travel in these districts will sooner or later lead to expansion of employment. Mr. Baker has had long experience. He is a great believer in British Columbia. In addition, he is an old-time flyer in the north. His long experience and his enthusiasm will undoubtedly contribute to building up a valuable transportation service."

With a long knowledge of Russell Baker's flying experience and ability, Mr. O'Brien expressed keen interest in what he termed "a major forward step in aviation in western Canada."

"I feel that British Columbia is going to gain much from the expanded service now being provided by Pacific Western Airlines," said Mr. O'Brien.

"There has been need for a modern aviation service to a number of points in British Columbia and I know that a company operating under Mr. Baker's direction will cetrtainly give the very best service."

Lead, Zinc Sales Rise

NEW YORK—(AP)—A good demand for lead and well-maintained consumption of zinc marked the metals markets last week. Copper buying slowed as fabricating plants prepared for the July vacation period.

Trade sources said there was no appreciable slackening in demand for lead following the recent ¼-cent increase to 13¼ cents a pound. Lead sales for the week totalled 9296 tons.

The London market for both lead and zinc improved during the week. However, zinc continued to sell at 11 cents a pound, East St. Louis. There are sizable surplus stocks.

Copper prices continued to range from 29¾ to 30 cents a pound for domestic metal.

Futures trading in copper resumed on the Commodity Exchange Inc., after having been suspended for nearly two years. July sold at 28.75 cents and August at 28.25 cents a pound.

A big deal with the U.S. government was disclosed by the International Nickel Company of Canada, Ltd. It signed a contract under which the government will buy 120,000,000 pounds of metallic nickel and 100,000,000 pounds of electrolytic copper. Deliveries will start in December and wind up in 1958.

It takes about four times as much heat to raise the temperature of water one degree as it does to warm the same weight of air one degree.

FLEET OF 21 MACHINES

Pacific Western Expands Here

One of Canada's largest air services, Pacific Western Airlines, swings into expanded operation this week with establishment of new headquarters and offices in Vancouver.

Founded by F. Russell Baker, pioneer Canadian airman, Pacific Western Airlines has rapidly developed through the pioneering days of bush flying to a top position among airlines of Canada. The new company stems from the absorbing of a number of other operating companies here by Central British Columbia Airways, which was started by Mr. Baker in Fort St. James, B.C., in 1946.

Since that time, Central B.C. Airways has expanded from one aircraft to a fleet of 21 modern machines designed especially to suit western Canadian flying conditions.

BAKER KNOWN

"Russ" Baker is well known in Vancouver as an original pioneer of coastal flying between here and Vancouver Island and up-coast points. He flew with the famous "Ginger" Coote in the early days of service to the West Coast of Vancouver Island and to the Bridge River country.

Later he piloted Canadian Airways Seaplanes out of Vancouver to Vancouver Island's West Coast points, and following that served a considerable time with Canadian Pacific Airlines.

Although he later moved to the interior of B.C. to handle his growing Central B.C. Airways service, he is still remembered as one of the orignal seaplane operators out of the Vancouver International Airport.

NOW EXPANDED

Engaged during the past two years almost exclusively on contract transport work on this coast and in the central interior, Mr. Baker's company now expands to provide a high-grade flying service out of Vancouver to points on Vancouver Island, the north coast and interior.

Fathered by Central B.C. Airways, the new company has recently taken over Associated Air Taxi, Associated Aero Services, Port Alberni Airways and Powell River Airways. With offices in the downtown area of Vancouver and at the airport, the company also has bases at Nelson, Kamloops, Prince George, Fort St. James, Burns Lake, Terrace, Kemano, Powell River, Port Alberni and is planning further expansion.

MORE THAN 100

President of Pacific Western Airlines is K. J. Springer, well known Toronto and Vancouver business man. Mr. Baker is vice-president and managing director in charge of a staff of more than 100 experienced personnel including some of Canada's best-known operational experts. Secretary-treasurer is D. F. Grainger.

Equipment of the new company ranges from light, economical aircraft for charter and executive work to 24-place luxury amphibians.

Dividends

Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co. of Canada Ltd.—40 cents plus 20 cents extra (extra is down 15 cents from last year), July 15, record June 18.

Canadian Western Lumber Co. Ltd.—12½ cents, July 15, record June 17.

Bank of Nova Scotia—40 cents, Aug. 1, ex-dividend June 29.

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