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### PIONEER CANADIAN PLANE

Thoroughly reconditioned, gleaming and polished, the Canadian JN 4, acquired by the National Aviation Museum early last year, went on display officially on July 24. National Resources Minister Arthur Laing was chairman at the brief ceremony opening the exhibit in the rotunda of the Ottawa Air Terminal Building at Uplands. Franklin I. Young, former bush pilot and winner of the McKee Trophy in 1953, outlined the history of the old plane and recalled some of his own experiences with it. K.M. Molson, Curator of the National Aviation Museum, described what had to be done to restore it for display.

The trim biplane, in fresh aircraft cotton and clear varnish, looked as new as it did in 1918, when it rolled out of Canadian Aeroplanes Limited in Toronto. It had been dismantled and reconditioned. The original parts had been restored wherever possible or replaced by pieces that were historically correct. One side of the fuselage had been left uncovered to show the plane's construction.

"We believe that we now have the most nearly correct specimen of the Canada JN4 aircraft in existence," said Mr. Molson. "We still need to locate the original instruments. Only two authentic instruments are installed at present; the others are replicas made at the Museum".

#### HISTORY

The "Jenny" or "Canuck" is considered the most important aircraft in the history of Canadian aviation. It was the first aircraft to be produced in quantity in Canada. During 1917 and 1918, over 1200 came out

of the Toronto plant. They were used for military training and, after the war, were sold to civil operators.

The Museum's "Canuck" was found on the farm of Edward Faulkener of Honeye Falls, near Rochester, New York. Mr. Faulkener bought the aircraft in the 1920's and flew it privately for some time. It had been stored away for some 30 years when arrangements to purchase it were made by the National Aviation Museum.

The "Canuck" was the plane of the barn-stormers and the stunt men of the early 1920's. It established the aircraft manufacturing industry in Canada, flew the first Canadian air-mail run from Montreal to Toronto in 1918, made the first flight over the Canadian Rockies in 1919 and carried engineers on the first Canadian aerial survey, of timberland near the Alexis River in Labrador, in 1919.

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### CANADA WELCOMES JAPAN TO OECD

The Secretary-General of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development having announced that Japan's entry as a full member of the Organization had been approved, Canada's Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Paul Martin, recently issued the following statement:

"The Canadian Government welcomes the fact that Japan is to become a member of the OECD as a further evidence of increasing co-operation between Japan and the countries of Europe and North America. In the negotiations regarding Japan's membership,

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