

AVIATION TROPHY AWARDED

The Trans-Canada (McKee) Trophy for 1963 has been awarded to Frank A. MacDougall, Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests for Ontario. Mr. MacDougall won the award in recognition of his contribution to the development of aviation during the past 40 years.

The McKee Trophy, which dates back to 1927, is presented each year for meritorious services in advancement of Canadian aviation. Emphasis is placed on continuing performance rather than on a single brilliant exploit, and special consideration is given to the application of aircraft and aviation equipment to new and useful purposes.

The Trophy was donated by the late Dalzell McKee of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, a wealthy aviation enthusiast who made the first trans-Canada flight by seaplane in 1926. Mr. McKee established the Trophy in recognition of the welcome and assistance given him by the Royal Canadian Air Force during his flight.

CAREER OF WINNER

Mr. MacDougall joined the Department of Lands and Forests in 1923 and, while holding various positions in that Department, became convinced of the usefulness of aircraft in the protection of forests and administration of provincial forests. Since 1930 he has held both a pilot's and an engineer's licence and has personally logged over 5,000 hours in the course of his duties.

Since 1941, when he was appointed Deputy Minister of the Department, he has developed and extended the air services, particularly for the detection and suppression of fire from the air. His Department was directly responsible for developing water-bombing tanks to equip the fleet.

In addition, Mr. MacDougall developed the use of Department aircraft for the administration of game and fisheries regulations, for wild-life surveys, in the movement of Department personnel on forest-management duties, and in restocking lakes and streams with game-fish fingerlings dropped from Department aircraft.

IMPROVED OVERSEAS MAIL

Changes resulting in improvements in mail service were announced recently by Mr. John R. Nicholson, the Postmaster General. Mr. Nicholson said arrangements had been completed for the introduction of special-delivery service for items prepaid at the letter rates of postage between Canada and Australia, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Netherlands and Switzerland.

Special-delivery service, formerly extended only to Canada, Britain and the United States possessions. The fee for the new special-delivery, or "Express", service will be the same as for letters within Canada — 25 cents in addition to the surface or air-mail rate applicable.

JUDGES FOR SCULPTURE EXHIBITION

The jury for the Second Exhibition of Canadian Sculpture has been announced by Dr. Charles F. Comfort, director of the National Gallery of Canada. The chairman of the three-man committee of selection will be the distinguished French sculptor Ossip Zadkine, one of the pioneers of the modern movement in European art. Other members of the jury will be the prominent Canadian collector John A. MacAulay of Winnipeg, and Ronald L. Bloore, director of the Norman Mackenzie Art Gallery in Regina.

The trustees of the National Gallery regard this exhibition as a major source for the purchase of contemporary Canadian sculpture for the permanent collection. For this reason, its scope has been extended to include works for indoor display. Some larger pieces will be installed on the Elgin Street terrace, as they were two years ago, but smaller and more fragile works will be shown indoors.

NEW DIPLOMATIC APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments in the Canadian diplomatic service were announced on March 16 by the Secretary of State for External Affairs: Mr. Gordon G. Crean, at present Canadian Ambassador to Yugoslavia, Ambassador to Italy, succeeding Mr. Jules Léger, whose appointment to Paris was announced last month; Mr. H.F. Feaver, at present Canadian Ambassador to Switzerland and Tunisia, Ambassador to Mexico and Guatemala, succeeding Mr. W. Arthur Irwin, who will be retiring from the public service; Mr. George P. Kidd, formerly Canadian Ambassador to Cuba and Haiti (until December 1963), Minister (Economic) in Washington, succeeding Mr. M. Schwarzmann; Mr. Donald W. Munro, at present serving in Ottawa, Canadian Commissioner to the International Commission for Supervision and Control in Laos, replacing Mr. Paul Bridle, who is returning to Ottawa.

GROWING PAINS OF THE WORLD ORGANIZATION (Continued from P. 2)

in establishing and conducting peace-keeping operations. Canada has been exploring ways and means of making its own stand-by arrangements more effective.

Other member states share our views about earmarking and training troops for United Nations service. The Nordic countries and the Netherlands have firm policies in this regard. Recent indications are that more governments are thinking along the same lines.

Last autumn, the Prime Minister, taking note of these developments, suggested that it might be useful to pool experience and ideas for improving United Nations peace-keeping methods. Because of prevailing international political circumstances, this cannot be done at the present time through formal action by the United Nations. For the time being, interested members may have to accept that a permanent peace-keeping force cannot be established,