

Canada at Paris Air Show

Twenty-nine Canadian companies will participate in the Paris International Air Show, June 2-12.

The 17 Canadian displays in Pavilion E will range from avionics, turbo prop engines and space equipment to examples of high technology in prime manufacturing.

There will be flying demonstrations of the Dash-7 STOL airliner and a full-scale mock-up of the new Lear 600 executive jet due to go into production shortly. Twelve other companies will have representatives on site.

Canada's pavilion will offer full facilities for on-the-spot conduct of business and a press room for the international media. In addition, a reception chalet overlooking the field and sponsored by the Air Industries Association of Canada will cater to the comfort of visitors and guests of Canada's aerospace industry.

Generous gesture

A regular parlour game on the night of a recent Atlantic Loto draw has brought a Scarborough train engineer a surprise package from his relatives in Nova Scotia.

Charles R. Potts of Stellarton, N.S., said he and his wife, Marion, usually jotted down names of relatives beside the ticket numbers they held on the bi-weekly lottery.

"We bought one book and put my wife's two sisters names on a piece of paper beside the number plus our own names. Well, last night, it was my brother-in-law who won."

Mr. Potts, who said his brother-in-law Thomas Kinnear was as "surprised" at winning as he was, picked up the \$25,000 grand prize in his own name.

"Don't get any idea we're splitting

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it. It's all his," said Mr. Potts. "He's a good guy, deserving of the money."

Even though the tickets were bought by them, Mr. and Mrs Potts don't feel their gesture toward their relatives was at all unusual.

"We're a close family," he said. "There are so many these days so greedy. I like to think we're not."

Retired and with no family of their own, he said they didn't really need the money that badly themselves.

News briefs

■ Premier William Davis of Ontario has called an election for June 9, after a vote on a rent-control amendment was defeated on April 28. The tax on tobacco, introduced in the Ontario budget on April 19 and implemented immediately, has been lifted until the bill enacting it is passed after the election.

■ The cost of living in March rose 1 per cent from February's figure and 7.4 per cent from that of a year earlier, the biggest increase since the middle of 1976.

■ The Quebec government brought down its first budget on April 14. The highlights are: licence fees for private cars are likely to go up by 30 per cent or \$12 for an average car; the tax exemption on children's clothing will be removed; small and medium-sized businesses involved in manufacturing can put half of what they owe in Quebec corporate income taxes into a new "fund for industrial recovery." The money can be used by the firms for capital investment and must be spent within five years.

■ Trade prospects for Canada should improve this year because of economic recovery internationally, John MacDonald, chairman of the Export Development Corporation, says in the federal agency's 1976 annual report. The corporation, which provides loans, insurance and foreign investment guarantees to help finance sales of Canadian goods abroad, supported sales of about \$2 billion in 1976. Canada has a trade deficit of \$4.3 billion and little change is expected this year.

■ The Atomic Energy Board has announced details of a \$5.7-million investigation and decontamination program for communities afflicted with radioactive waste from nuclear installations and uranium mines. The program will be financed through cost-sharing agreements with the Federal Government, the provinces and industry.

■ The chief executive officers of about 90 corporations and a handful of associations have formed an organization

to discuss general economic matters with labour and government and to sponsor research on various national issues. The organization, the Business Council on National Issues, has grown out of informal gatherings of a nucleus of the executives over the past four or five years and more formal meetings in the past year, according to its executive director and president, W.D. Archbold. The co-chairmen of BCNI are W.O. Twaits, who retired as chief executive officer of Imperial Oil Ltd. of Toronto in 1974, and Alfred Powis, president of Noranda Mines Ltd. of Toronto.

■ A top-level meeting on April 22 between representatives of government, business and labour was described as a good start toward three-way consultation on major economic problems facing the country. Prime Minister Trudeau said the meeting was "extremely positive" and he found "a great deal of assistance and help" from business and labour leaders in discussing methods to end the wage-and-price controls program.

■ Unemployment was the main concern expressed by Manitoba's Finance Minister Saul Miller when he introduced the province's \$1.158-billion budget on April 22. The budget included some tax reductions and no tax increases.

■ A convicted murderer at a federal prison in Matsqui, British Columbia, was the first person in Canada to gain a university degree while in jail.

Bill MacKey, 37, serving a life sentence and with no chance of parole for at least five years, received his degree in sociology and psychology through a special University of Victoria program that has been in operation in Matsqui and at a prison at New Westminster, B.C., since 1972.

■ The Montreal Canadiens and the Boston Bruins play in the best-of-seven-game finals of the National Hockey League Stanley Cup. In the semi-finals, Montreal beat New York Islanders four games to two and Boston defeated Philadelphia in four straight games.