

Flight simulator ordered by Swissair

CAE Electronics Ltd of Montreal has been chosen by Swissair to develop and manufacture a \$1.5-million flight simulator for the DC-9-50 commercial jet aircraft, the first flight simulator to be built for the new long-body version of the McDonnell Douglas DC-9 family of commercial jets.

This fifth flight simulator, to be built by CAE for Switzerland's national airline, will incorporate CAE's six-degree motion system and advanced training systems.

In the past ten years, CAE Electronics Ltd has developed and delivered 21 commercial jet simulators to 11 airlines abroad, including all three types of wide-bodied jet now in service – DC-10, B-747 and L-1011 *TriStar* – and for DC-8 and DC-9 types of aircraft.

It is currently manufacturing eight UH-1D helicopter flight simulators for the defence forces of West Germany.

Swissair has taken delivery of a DC-9-10, DC-8-62, and a DC-10 flight simulator from CAE, and shares a CAE *Boeing 747* flight simulator with KLM Royal Dutch Airlines and SAS Scandinavian Airways System.

The DC-9-50 flight simulator will be available for training at Swissair's flight training centre near Zurich early in 1975.

New car on Canadian market

A new subcompact car, the *Bobcat*, will be introduced to the Canadian market in November by Ford Motor Co. of Canada Ltd, Oakville, Ontario. The *Bobcat*, a dressed-up version of the *Pinto*, will be built at the company's plant in St. Thomas, which now produces *Mavericks* and *Pintos*, and will be sold only in Canada. The *Bobcat*

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will replace the British-built *Cortina* in the Ford product line. The company is dropping the *Cortina* because of rising costs.

Bricklin Canada Ltd, Saint John, New Brunswick will start producing its new car in December. The *Bricklin* is scheduled to appear in showrooms in the northeastern United States (its first market) by mid March. It is expected to sell for about \$5,000. The body will be made of thermal plastic. About 10,000 are to be produced in the first year. Bricklin Canada Ltd is a subsidiary of General Vehicle Inc. of Philadelphia.

Good news for pencil chewers

The Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs has issued a requirement under the Hazardous Products Act regulating the use of lead pigments in paints and other coatings on pencils and artists' brushes.

So now, unregenerate consumers of pencil ends can gnaw in safety.

Effective November 1, it is an offence under the Act to import, sell or advertise pencils or artists' brushes with coatings containing more than 0.5 per cent of lead compounds.

Although industry generally uses other pigments for finish, the regulation will ensure protection from harmful lead-base coatings on pencils and brushes, should they appear on the market inadvertently.

Lead, says the Department, is a deceptive metal. Even though its total amount in such finishes may be relatively small, lead accumulates in the body and under some conditions can produce serious consequences.

Some time ago, the Department also limited, under the same Act, the release of lead compounds in ceramic glazes on items like dishes. It has also set limits for lead in paint used on children's toys and furniture.

Canadian Football League play offs in sight

Play-off time is near. With teams having just one game left, only two CFL teams are sure where they will be when play-off action begins on November 11. Ottawa has clinched

first place in the East and earned a bye into the Eastern finals; and Winnipeg has been eliminated from play-off competition. All the other play-off spots remain to be decided, though Montreal is sure of being in the play-offs and will play either Hamilton or Toronto in the semi-finals. If Toronto Argonauts win their last game over the Winnipeg Blue Bombers, Toronto gets the final play-off berth whether Hamilton Tiger-Cats win over Montreal Alouettes or not. If, however, Toronto loses to Winnipeg, Hamilton can qualify for the last play-off berth by beating the Alouettes. In the West, Saskatchewan and Edmonton lead the pack and are sure of being in the play-offs. They meet in their final game to decide first place. Calgary and B.C. will be fighting for the final play-off spot on November 3. [Press time Oct. 31.]

Results

Sunday, October 28

Ottawa, 16; Montreal, 0
Saskatchewan, 35; Hamilton, 24
B.C., 22; Winnipeg, 17

Standings (at October 31)

Eastern Conference

	W	L	T	F	A	Pts.
Ottawa	9	5	0	275	234	18
Montreal	7	5	1	260	213	15
Toronto	6	5	2	247	228	14
Hamilton	6	7	0	279	250	12

Western Conference

Saskatchewan	10	5	0	344	265	20
Edmonton	8	5	2	301	268	18
Calgary	6	9	0	207	353	12
B.C.	4	9	2	246	321	10
Winnipeg	4	10	1	254	297	9

CFL play-off schedule

Eastern Conference

November 11 – Semi-final – second-place and third-place teams (“sudden death”)

November 18 – Final – Ottawa and winner of semi-final (“sudden death”)

Western Conference

November 11 – Semi-final – second-place and third-place teams (“sudden death”)

November 18 – Final – first place team and winner of semi-final (“sudden death”)

Grey Cup

November 25 – Winners of Eastern and Western finals.