



# AMERICAN AIR MAIL SOCIETY

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### ITEM 86-1

Greetings for a new aerophilatelic year - 1986. The first good news is that two of our own group have been elected to top positions in the AAMS - Ken Sanford as President of the AAMS and Janice E. Weinstock as Secretary. Congratulations to Ken and Janice. I'm sure all our members will support their efforts to rejuvenate the AAMS. Since Ken will be very busy with his new AAMS presidential duties, Nelson Bentley has volunteered to temporarily serve as Secretary and Treasurer. However, if we are to be a productive and growing group we must have one person for one job. Participation and contribution of time are essential. Who wishes to volunteer for this position of Secretary of the Canadian Chapter of the AAMS? Send your offer to serve directly to our President, Pat Sloan, P.O. Box 6217, Ottawa, Ontario, K2A 1T4.

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ITEM 86-2

From time to time interesting articles are noted and two are herewith enclosed for your information and retention:

- A) Circuits and Bumps: The story of the RCAF's Aborted Takeoffs, 1909-1938: by Jean Pariseau of the Historical Section, Department of National Defence (DND);
- B) Canada's Military Aircraft Industry: Its Birth, Growth, and Fortunes: by Fred Gaffen. Also a short story on the late Tom Williams, Canada's Grand Old Man of Canadian Aviation.

ITEM 86-3

The executive of the Canadian Chapter AAMS are pleased to send complimentary the following items:

- A) A souvenir cover from PIPEX'85 June 7-9/1985;
- B) An attractive CP Air 1986 calendar. CP Air is soon to change its name and its colour scheme to Canadian Pacific with a colour scheme of an orange red, white and blue. CP Air is absorbing two air lines of Canada - Eastern Provincial Airlines and Nordair. All the negotiations have not yet been completed.
- C) A Royal Bank of Canada pocket 1986 calendar.

ITEM 86-4

Our treasurer, Nelson Bentley, submits as an attachment (Item 86-4A) his treasury report as of 15 November 1985. Our balance as of 15 November 1985 is \$194.72.

ITEM 86-5

Dr. Wallace F. Walford, P.O. Box 309, Hudson, Quebec, J0P 1H0 has paid \$5.00 to our Chapter for the opportunity of placing the following ad in "The Canadian Aerophilatelist":

Laurentide Air Services, five first day covers 1924.  
What offers? Dr. W.F. Walford, P.O. Box 309, Hudson,  
Quebec, J0P 1H0.

ITEM 86-6

Ken Sanford sends this notice he wishes published:

**CANADIAN AIR MAIL ARTICLES IN "THE AMERICAN PHILATELIST"**

Your Editor, Dick Malott has had two articles on Canadian air mails recently published in "The American Philatelist", journal of the American Philatelic Society (APS). The first one, in the April 1985 issue, is titled "The First Air Mail Flight in Western Canada". It is about the aviatrix Katherine Stinson, who made the first Western Canada air mail flight from Calgary to Edmonton on July 9, 1918. The article shows three different covers carried on the flight.

The second article, in the June 1985 issue, was "The 1919 Air Mail Flights in British Columbia". This is about the first air mail flights between Victoria and Seattle in 1919 by W.E. Boeing (the founder of the Boeing Aircraft Co.), Eddie Hubbard, and others.

Hats off to Dick for "Flying the Flag" of Canadian aerophilately with these articles.

If you are not an APS member and would like to have copies of these articles, send U.S. \$2.00 per issue to: The American Philatelist, Back Issues, P.O. Box 8000, State College, PA - USA 16803.

ITEM 86-7

The Canadian Chapter of the American Air Mail Society held its annual meeting a PHIL-EX in Toronto on 11 January 1986. Pat Sloan, our President prepared a report on the meeting attended by seven members and one guest. Pat's report is attached as Item 86-7.

ITEM 86-8

The tragic aircraft crash of an Arrow Airlines DC-8 of Miami, Florida at Gander, Newfoundland, on 12 December 1985 killed 250 United States service personnel of the 3rd Battalion, 502nd Infantry and the 101st Airborne and eight civilian crew. All Canadians grieved at this tragedy of peace-keeping soldiers being killed when returning to their homes for Christmas. I have several newspaper clippings of this tragedy. Anyone wishing copies may write to me requesting a set. Please send \$1.00 to cover xeroxing and postage costs.

This crash is the eighth worst in commercial aviation history. The worst one was on 27 March 1977 when two Boeing 727's collided at Tenerife, Canary Islands, killing 502 people. The previous worst crash in Canada was on 29 November 1963 when 118 were killed when a Trans-Canada Air Lines (now Air Canada) DC-8 crashed at Ste. Therese de Plainville, Quebec, near Montreal. There is no known mail carried on or surviving from this latest crash.

#### ITEM 86-9

Although it has been Canada Post's policy not to promote special first flight covers for some years, every now and then someone, usually outside of Canada and in conjunction with a foreign airline, obtains permission and prepares special first flight envelopes. A case in point are special Concorde envelopes flown on two occasions.

- A) 14 July 1984: Air France Concorde No. 4048 Paris-Quebec, Quebec-Montreal, Montreal-Paris. The souvenir flight commemorated the 450th anniversary of Jacques Cartier's voyage to Canada. A special rectangular cachet and back-stamping were applied to all the flown envelopes. (7 items obtained plus inserts).
- B) 2 September 1985 British Airways Concorde BA-076 Toronto-London in conjunction with the Toronto Exhibition's Aviation Day. A special triangular cachet and back-stamping were applied to the flown envelopes (2 items obtained). Not all the envelopes prepared were properly cacheted and back-stamped. Do any of the members have other Concorde flown covers applicable to Canada?

#### ITEM 86-10

A new philatelic activity has developed in the Hamilton area - the preparation of souvenir booklets with the approval of Canada Post. In November 1981 the Canadian Warplane Heritage prepared 200 booklets with two .35¢ aviation stamps and two .17¢ aviation stamps. A xerox of the booklet will be included. These booklets are very scarce and cost \$125.00 at present.

#### ITEM 86-11

There are several interesting aviation military envelopes that have been prepared over the past few years in Canada by Canadian military squadrons. The latest that I am aware of was issued by CFB Shearwater, N.S. on 21 September 1985 for the International Air Show. A xerox copy of the envelope is enclosed.

ITEM 86-12

Anyone ordering a set of four flown covers by radio controlled model aircraft from Jasper to Henton, Alberta on 15 September 1985 was pleasantly surprised to receive a crash cover in the set as two or three of the 20 radio controlled model aircraft crashed during flight. For information on these envelopes priced at \$10.00 Canadian per set of four, please write to The President, Yellowhead Stamp and Coin Collectors Society, P.O. Box ;820, Hinton, Alberta, Canada, T0E 1B0.

ITEM 86-13

The two FIP international philatelic exhibitions scheduled for the USA and Canada are two philatelic events you should plan to attend if at all possible:

- A) Ameripex'86 at Chicago, O'Hare Exposition Centre, Chicago, Illinois, USA: 22 May to 1 June 1986.
- B) CAPEX'87 at Toronto, Ontario, 13 to 21 June, 1987 in the new Metropolitan Toronto Convention Centre.

ITEM 86-14

I have the honour of having been appointed to the Jury of Stockholmia'86, at Stockholm, Sweden, 28 August to 7 September 1986 and of being the Canadian Commissioner to HAFNIA'87, Copenhagen, Denmark, 16 to 25 October 1987. If any of our members are interested in aerophilatelic materiel from these events please let me know.

ITEM 86-15

We are pleased to welcome to our membership three new aerophilatelists:

- A) #41 Mr. John Calé  
613 West 4th Street  
Foulton, N.Y.  
USA 13069
- B) #42 Mr. R.J. Jameison  
P.O. Box 2  
Station "A"  
Islington, Ontario  
M9A 4X1

C) #43 Mr. Sam Goldsticker  
70C Freemont  
Bloomfield, Jew Jersey  
USA 07003-3439

ITEM 86-16

Data on aerophilatelic books from our secretary, Nelson Bentley, are enclosed, as well as information on Dr. Zavern M. Seron's book "From The Winged Heels of Mercury".

If anyone has any aerophilatelic news, please send it in to me for publication.

Yours aerophilatelically,



(R. K. Malott)  
Editor  
The Canadian Aerophilatelist  
Vice-President  
Canadian Chapter AAMS

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# AMERICAN AIR MAIL SOCIETY

## CANADIAN CHAPTER

### REPORT OF ANNUAL MEETING HELD IN TORONTO 11 JANUARY 1986

The meeting was attended by 7 members of the Canadian Chapter and 1 guest.

The meeting was chaired by E.P. Sloan who pointed out in his opening remarks that the Canadian Chapter of the AAMS was facing the usual difficulties of new organizations which, in our case, are compounded by the realities of Canadian geography. Our membership is spread thinly across the country and it is difficult to arrange meetings at which any substantial number of members can attend. Many potential members are 'out there' but can only be contacted by publicity in the philatelic press or by personal contact by members who are in touch with them through correspondence. If the organization is to survive and grow every effort must be made to make membership available and worthwhile to all Canadian collectors of Air Mail.

A general discussion was held on the subject of a change of name for the organization. It was the general consensus among those present that it would be desirable to form a 'Canadian' club which would retain the existing affiliation as a chapter of the AAMS and of the RPSC. The primary aims of this organization would be to promote aerophilately in Canada; to provide a forum for the exchange of information and co-operative research among Canadian Aerophilatelists; and to represent Canadian Aerophilatelists at the National and International levels. In discussing possible names for such an organization it was pointed out that the name, 'CANADIAN AIR MAIL SOCIETY' which seemed to be most popular, might be understood to imply that membership would be restricted to those who collect only Canadian Air Mails. An alternative name such as 'CANADIAN AEROPHILATELIC SOCIETY' MIGHT BE considered. No decision was made on this point and the members of the executive agreed to take the matter under advisement and to poll the membership on these and other possible names.

During the discussion of the organizational problems it was suggested that one step which could be taken would be the formation of regional or local groups. Such groups would be formed in cities such as Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver and Ottawa where most present members reside. Such groups would serve to contact members and potential members in their areas and promote the aims of the society at the local level. For the Toronto area, Murray Heifetz and Dick McIntosh agreed to undertake the task of initial contact with AAMS members and other potential members in the Toronto area. A list of AAMS members in Ontario will be provided to them. Action will be taken by the executive to form similar groups in other areas.

The meeting concluded with a series of very interesting brief presentations by those present on a subject or topic based on their collection or area of interest.



## ATTESTATION

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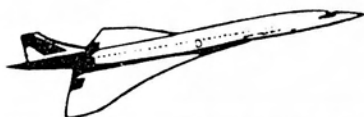
### PARIS CdG - QUEBEC

A l'occasion du 450<sup>e</sup> anniversaire de la venue de Jacques Cartier au Canada  
Concorde n° F.BVFB s'est rendu sur les rives du Saint Laurent

Equipage : MM. Conte, Othnin Girard, Barbaroux

Départ Paris 11 h 00 - Arrivée Québec 14 h 45 T U  
Temps de vol 3 h 45 dont 2 h 33 supersonique

Les enveloppes philatéliques ont voyagé à bord grâce à l'équipage  
Oblitérées par la flamme de Roissy CdG au départ elles ont obtenu à l'arrivée le cachet de Québec Ste Foy



B. LECHNER



## ATTESTATION

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A l'occasion du 450<sup>e</sup> anniversaire de la venue de Jacques Cartier au Canada  
Concorde n° F.BVFB s'est rendu sur les rives du Saint Laurent

Equipage : MM. Conte, Othnin Girard, Barbaroux

Départ Québec 15 h 01 - Arrivée Montréal 15 h 40 T U  
Temps de vol 0-h 39

Les enveloppes philatéliques ont voyagé à bord grâce à l'équipage  
Oblitérées au départ avec le cachet de Québec Ste Foy elles ont reçu à l'arrivée le cachet Montréal Philatélic



B. LECHNER



## ATTESTATION

1<sup>er</sup> Vol CONCORDE Air France N° 4059 du 14.7.1984

### MONTREAL - PARIS

A l'occasion du 450<sup>e</sup> anniversaire de la venue de Jacques Cartier au Canada  
Concorde n° F.BVFB s'est rendu sur les rives du Saint Laurent

Equipage : MM. Conte, Othnin Girard, Barbaroux

Départ Montréal 2 h 20 - Arrivée Paris 6 h 15 T U  
Temps de vol 3 h 55 dont 2 h 34 supersonique

Les enveloppes philatéliques ont voyagé par courrier postal spécial et obtenues l'empreinte postale du Canada.  
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B. LECHNER

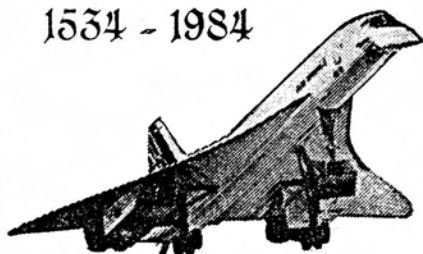


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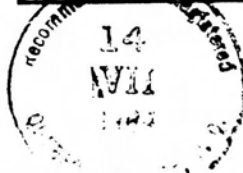
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450<sup>e</sup> anniversaire  
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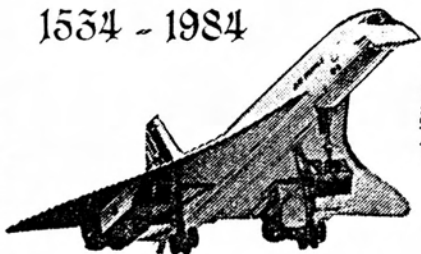
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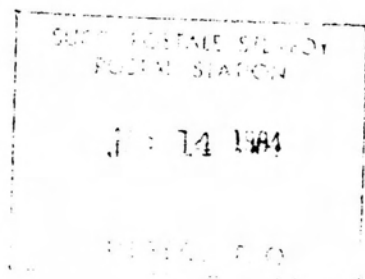
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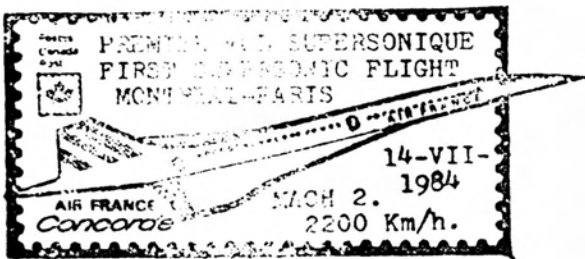
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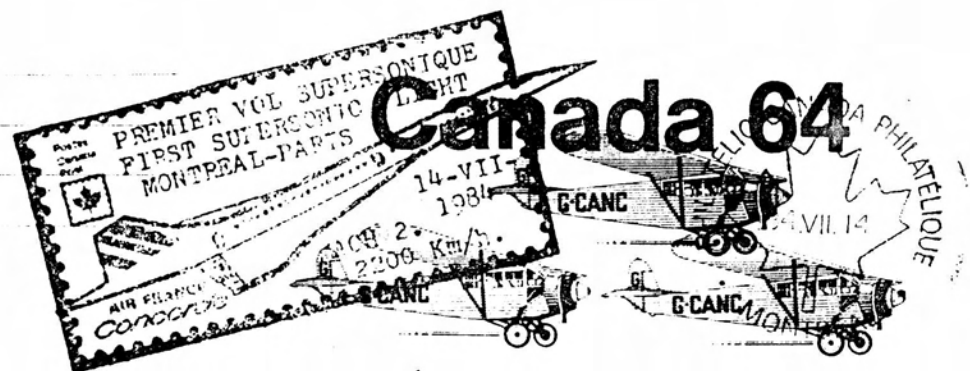
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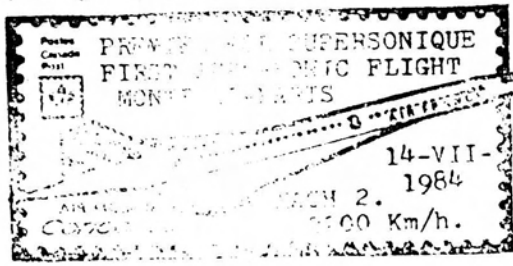
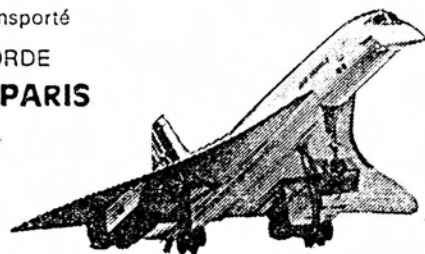
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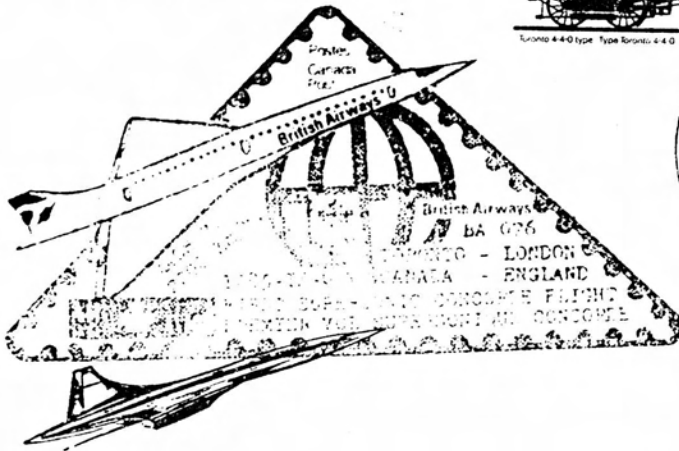
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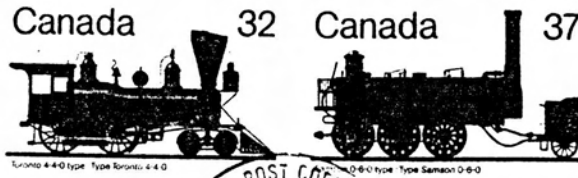
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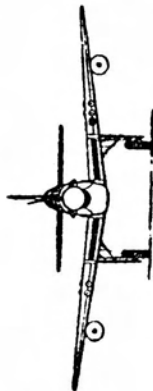
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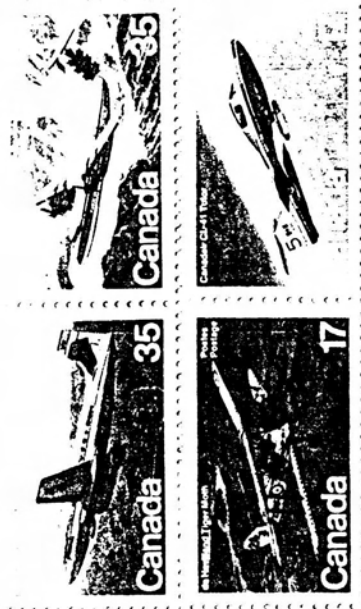


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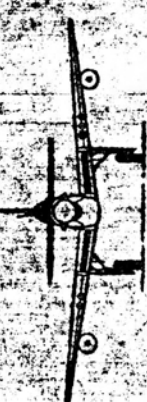
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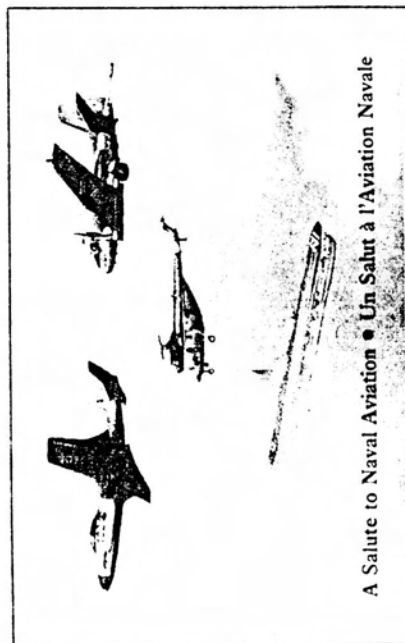
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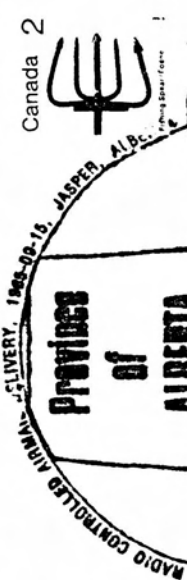
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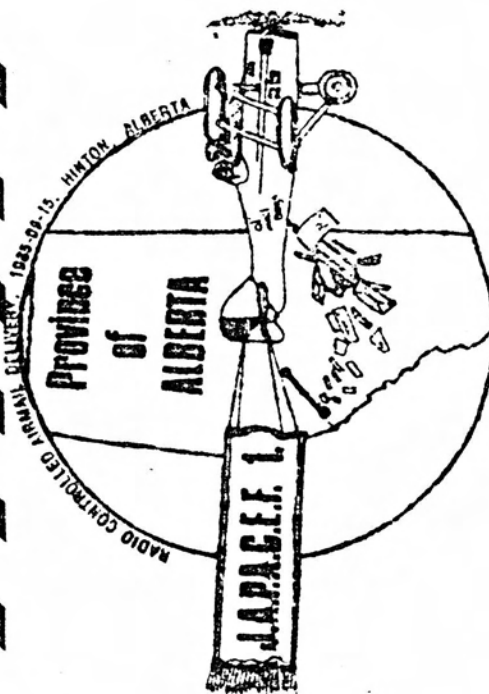


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BOX 820, HINTON, ALTA.  
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