

SEVENTY TO OPEN ACROSS DOMINION

Air Observers' Training Base Will Start at Malton in May

Ottawa, Feb. 27.—(CP)—Location of a number of new schools in the British Commonwealth air training plan and dates for the opening of others were announced to-day by Defence Minister Rogers.

In addition to locations previously announced schools will be set up at Edmonton, Ottawa, Calgary, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Vancouver and Regina.

A statement from the department of national defence said:

"No. 1 air observers' school will be opened in May at Malton, Ont. The following month, No. 1 elementary flying training school will also be opened at Malton, and No. 2 elementary flying training school at Windsor Mills, Que.

"By July, it will be possible to announce the inauguration of No. 2 air observers' school at Edmonton, while No. 1 service flying training school, now at Camp Borden, will function as such during the same month.

"It has been decided to establish No. 2 service flying training school in the vicinity of Ottawa, the airport at Uplands having been selected as the site. It is expected that this will be opened in August, together with No. 3 elementary flying training school at London, Ont., and No. 4 elementary flying training school at Fort William, Ont.

"The third service flying training school, which will be located in Calgary, is to be in operation next September, while No. 4 service flying training school is to be opened in Saskatoon, and No. 6 elementary flying training school in Prince Albert, next October. Prince Albert will also be the site of No. 8 air observer school to be opened later. November should see the inauguration of No. 4 air observer school at London. A flying school will be established at Moncton on the site of the department of transport aerodrome.

"Negotiations are now pending with Vancouver and Regina for the use of municipal airports as sites for proposed flying schools."

The announcements are in accord with the progressive development of the plan which contemplates a total of some 70 schools, spread all across Canada.

The schools come into operation in groups as they are ready and the staff is available to man them.

The school of aeronautical engineering at St. Thomas, Ont., is preparing mechanics for the ground staff which will be required to service the hundreds of aircraft used in the training program.

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