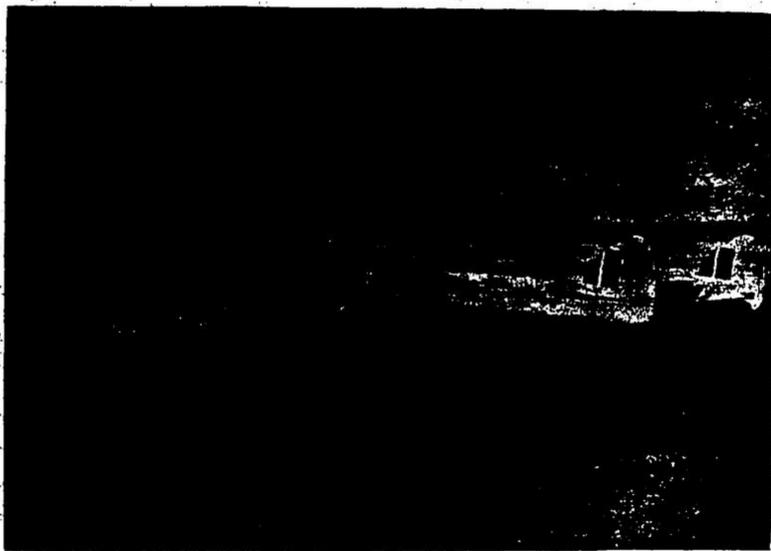


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R.C.A.F. VAMPIRES

The Vampire jet-propelled aircraft used by the Royal Canadian Air Force are manufactured by De Havilland Aircraft Company at Stone Grove, Middlesex, and Preston, Lancashire, England, and are shipped to Canada and assembled at DeHavilland's plant, Downsview Airport, Toronto.

They are particularly well adapted to fighter aircraft operations because they require no warm-up period; as soon as the engine begins turning they are ready to fly.

The RCAF has a total of 85 of these modern fighters; the RCAF's Central Flying School at Trenton, Ontario, is the nucleus of all RCAF flying instruction on Vampires. The

Auxiliary Fighter Squadrons in Montreal, Toronto, and Hamilton send instructors to Trenton for conversion course after which they pass instruction on to other Auxiliary Squadron pilots.

All RCAF Vampires are Mark III, and are fitted with the Goblin Mark II engine which has a maximum RPM of 10,200. Their maximum service ceiling is 44,000 feet, and rate of climb at combat weight with full fuel load and ammunition is 4100 feet per minute. Maximum speed at sea level is 524 miles per hour; seventy five per cent of the speed of sound. Normal fuel load is 230 gallons and with this the Vampire has a still air range of

805 miles at combat weight after a take-off and climb to 30,000 feet. They can be equipped with extra long range fuel tanks fitted to their wings adding 200 gallons to their fuel capacity, extending the range to approximately 1,225 miles. Armament consists of four 20 millimetre Hispano guns all mounted in the fuselage. Air Force aircrew trainees who are selected to be fighter pilots are scheduled to fly the Vampire in the final stages of their training.

In the near future jet propelled aircraft, the RCAF is providing its personnel with the latest developments in the field of modern aviation.

Moves to Brantford
 Mr. and Mrs. Ray Costigan have recently moved from Hamilton to Brantford, where Mr. Costigan is employed with Hamilton Pottery. The firm, after two disastrous fires in the past few years have moved their complete plant to Brantford. He is a former Georgetown boy, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Costigan of Georgetown.

Terra Cotta Farmers' Club Meets
 The August meeting of the Terra Cotta Farmers' Club was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Anderson. The vice-president, Mrs. George Leslie, presided for the ladies' meeting at which Mrs. Lloyd Crichton and Mrs. Hartley Cameron demonstrated summer drinks. Roll

was answered by a riddle.

Mr. E. L. Thompson called the meeting together and a musical program was enjoyed consisting of vocal solos by Betty Jean Anderson and Mrs. Francis Thompson and an instrumental by Dorothy Thompson. Mrs. Arthur McKane contributed a reading from "Father on the Farm" and Mrs. Henry Deacon read excerpts of poetry and prose. Mrs. Gertrude Anderson gave a resume of the book "The Enchanted Island." A vote of thanks was rendered by Mrs. R. S. Leslie to the program committee, Mrs. Fred Lyons and Mrs. James McKane, and to all who took part.

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PRO-BALL TRYOUT CAMP AT HAMILTON

The St. Louis Cardinals, always strong contenders for pennant honors in the National League pennant race, have announced that they will give aspiring young players a chance to show their stuff when the Red Birds conduct a three day try-out camp at Hamilton Civic Stadium, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, August 26, 27 and 28. The camp is one of more than 60 scheduled by the Cardinals this summer. It will be open free to all players in this area who feel they have what it takes to become professional baseball players.

Try outs will get underway at 11 o'clock each morning and will continue throughout the day. There will be drills in running, fielding, hitting and throwing, and regular games will be played between teams made up of players in attendance.

C. S. "Pop" Ketchner, Dean of baseball scouts, will be in charge of the camp. He will be assisted by the Cardinals' players, Holy Cross Star and major league player and coach; Leon East, recently retired National League pitcher; and J. E. Ketcher, former minor league player now coaching at St. Joseph's. They will watch the players as they go through their paces and offer minor league contracts to those they feel qualified for pro ball careers.

Every player in camp will have an excellent opportunity to show what he can do at his chosen position. Players should bring their own gloves and baseball shoes, and uniforms if they have them. Any expenses incident to attending the camp will be refunded to all players signing contracts.

MRS. JAMES DOLAN BURIED LAST WEEK

The funeral service was held last week at St. Peter's Church, Orangeville, for Mrs. James Dolan of Shelburne who passed away on August 2 after a lengthy illness. A Native of Streetsville, Mrs. Dolan was a sister of Mr. Arthur Shale and Miss Frances Shain of Norval and had lived all her life in the Orangeville-Shelburne district.

Looking over the assortment of perfumes such as "Take Me", "My Sin", "Breathless" and a myriad of other lurid names, the shy young girl asked the sales clerk: "Haven't you anything for a beginner?"