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SILVER JUBILEE

"Incalculable contribution to prosperity"

SHANNON has made an incalculable contribution to the prosperity of the surrounding area to the development of our national economy and to the international prestige of the country. In celebrating its Silver Jubilee, we pay tribute to every one of the men whose work and vision made it possible." This was stated by An Taoiseach, Mr. Sean Lemass, on Saturday last when he unveiled a plaque honouring the pioneers of North Atlantic Commercial Aviation.

"As political head of the Department of Industry and Commerce during most of those early years I was privileged to be at the beginning of the enterprise and to be the person to give the 'go-ahead' to the actual construction of the airport, and to the other developments here which I have recounted including the inauguration of the Customs-Free Airport, the establishment of the Industrial Estate and the inauguration of Aerlinet trans-Atlantic services."

The outlook for Shannon is bright, and I have every confidence that Irishmen will be found to meet whatever the future may hold. The Irish Government attaches the utmost importance to Shannon and to all that concerns it. It is my intention to continue to do everything in our power to maintain Shannon and to maintain its position in the world of aviation. We will do this not because of the prestige already spent on Shannon but because of the prestige, but because it is becoming a very important factor in the Irish economy and because we have confidence in the men and women who run Shannon Airport and their ability to make it a national success."

Mr. Lemass concluded: "Shannon is now 25 years old; it has passed its majority and is entering its maturity. It respects the goal of maturity will never be reached. When the Golden Jubilee celebrations come, it will still be developing and improving." Mr. Lemass, T.D., Minister for Transport and Power and Tourism, said that it was for him a happy coincidence that his term of office as Minister responsible for Transport and Power and Tourism had the opportunity to witness the inauguration of Shannon Airport on the occasion of its Silver Jubilee.

It is this Airport which has provided the link between the old and the new and which did little more for us than put us on the map. With the growth of commercial aviation, however, it has become the major focus for seeing Ireland and to the people of the West—"Your part in purely local development and enterprise along entirely novel lines will be essential to the success of Shannon Airport." The next Jubilee celebrations, he said, he was sure, he was an outstanding success.

Mr. Harold E. Gray, President of Pan-American World Airways, also spoke. It happened in 1938 when Pan Am inaugurated its first service between California and Manila. Juan Trippe and his wife, Betty, were aboard; his flight, which then continued to Macao and Hong Kong in anticipation of service to be inaugurated shortly thereafter.

From there they used China National Aviation, a subsidiary of Pan Am, and then Imperial Airways to fly to London. Here they met with Colonel Charles Lindbergh and his wife, Anne, and accompanied by Woods-Hampshire of Imperial Airways, they flew to Dublin. Here they were joined by General Brennan, John Leydon and others for a visit to Western Ireland to look at potential sites for a trans-Atlantic air base.

I remember the story, there was a desire to get an airport as close to Newfoundland as possible so as to shorten the trans-Atlantic haul; but also, it was recognised that the spot chosen should be as convenient to Dublin as possible. The fortunate and well considered choice was the spot on which we are standing to-day.

London/Shannon service

BEA's first regular air service to Shannon will be inaugurated next April subject to traffic rights being granted by the Government of the Republic of Ireland.

The BEA plan envisages a maximum of one return flight daily from London next summer, using 96-passenger Viscount 800 airliners at tourist class fares. Flying times will be one hour fifty minutes from London to Shannon and one hour forty-five minutes in the reverse direction.

It is hoped that the BEA flights, which have been approved by the British Air Transport Licensing Board, will be integrated with those of Aer Lingus. They will operate under the existing co-operative agreement between the two airlines.

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A BEA spokesman said: "With tourist interest in Ireland rapidly growing, our new service will provide the needed additional capacity to cater for this market in the area around Limerick."

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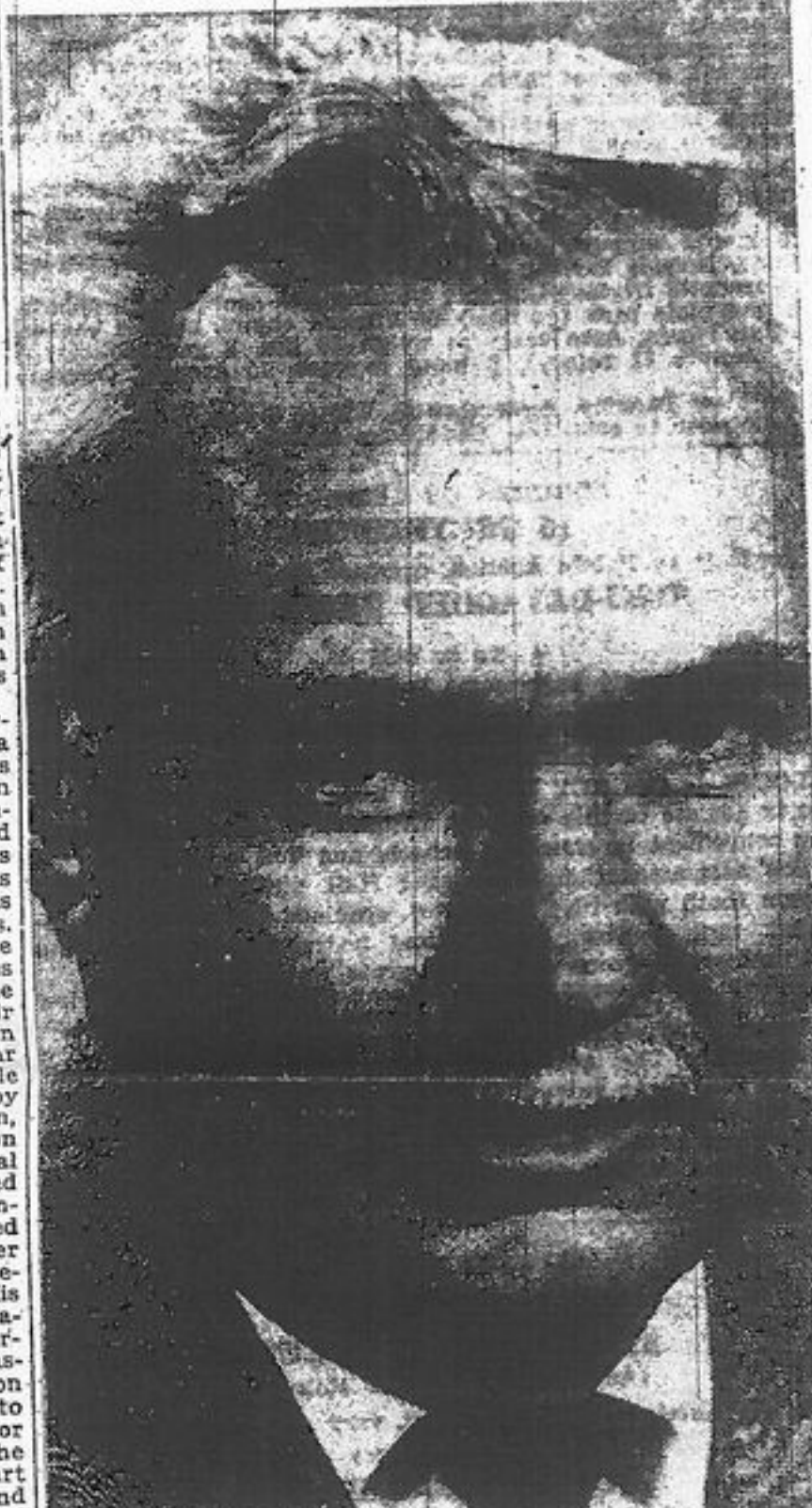
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HISTORIC PICTURE

Crew of the Yankee Clipper and aviation officials photographed at Foynes in April, 1939.



ADDISON W. BEIDEMAN—First Radio Officer on the first air mail flight across the North Atlantic, June 24, 1939. To his right is an International Services Officer with the Federal Aviation Agency.

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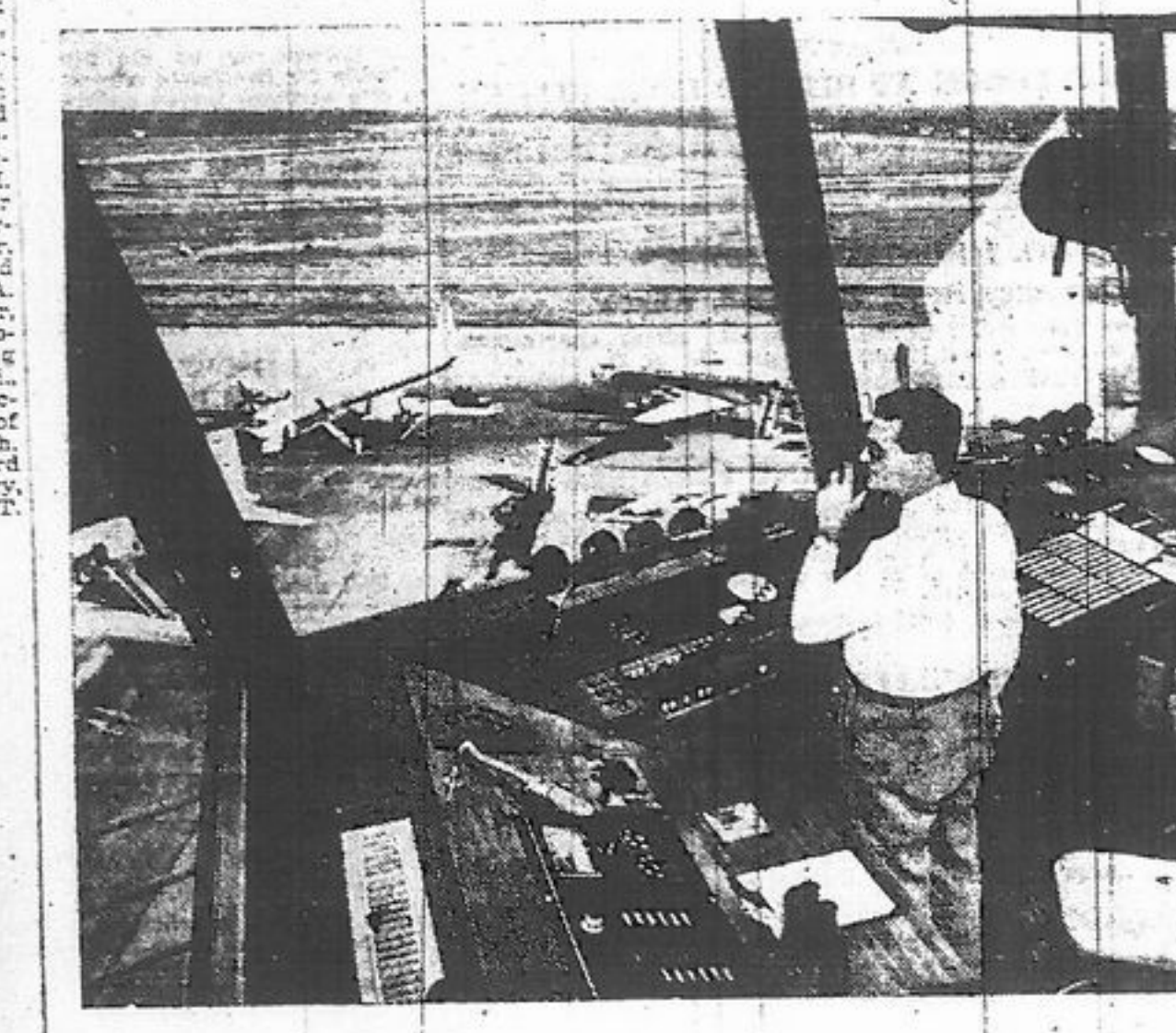
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