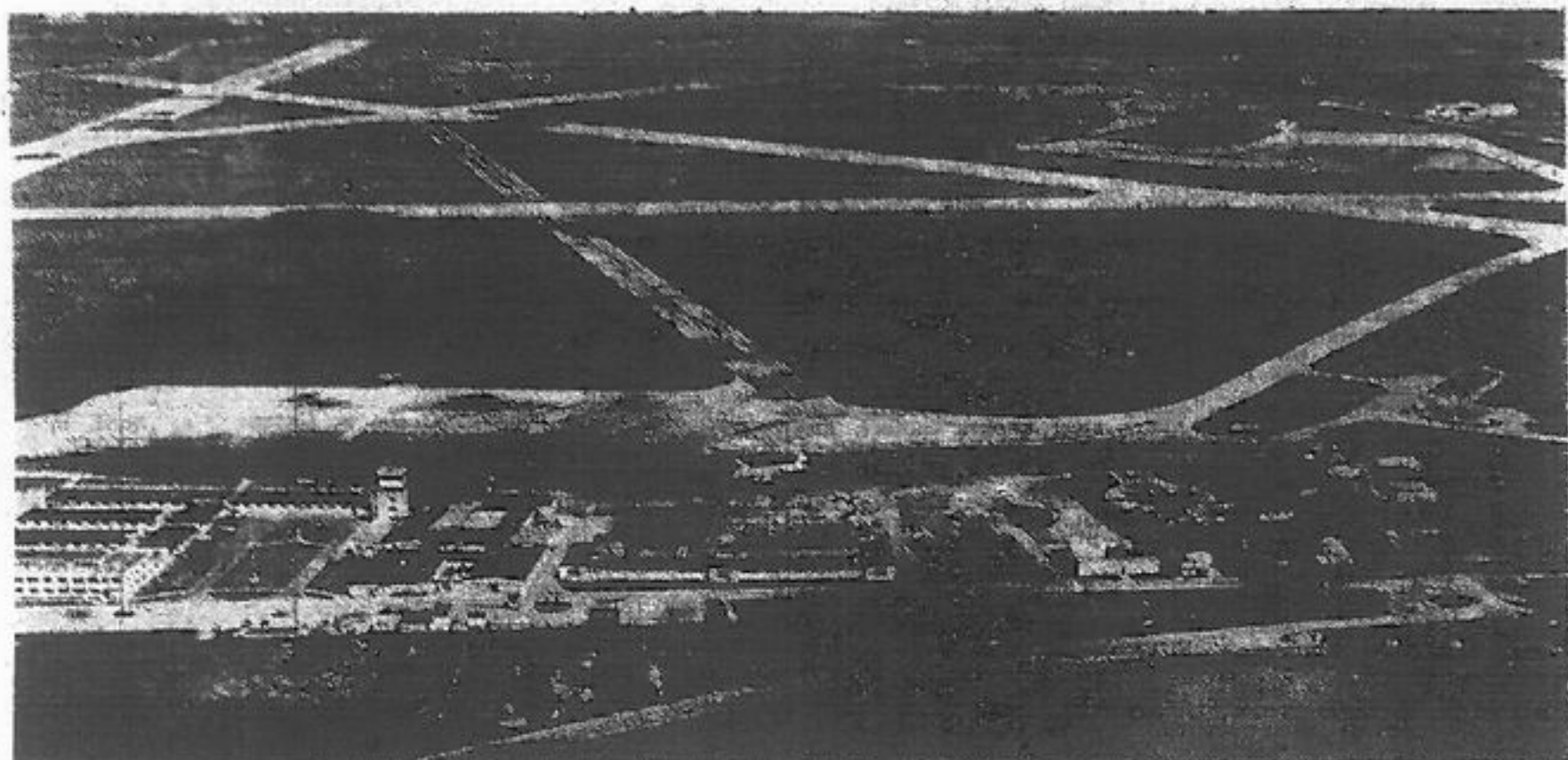


AIR PAGEANT AT SHANNON



A striking aerial shot of Shannon Airport, showing the terminal buildings and the vast expanse of runways.

The final arrangements are now completed for the first Air Pageant ever to be staged at Shannon Airport, which will be held on Sunday next, May 26th. It will be officially opened by Mr. Sean Lemass, Minister for Industry and Commerce.

The air pageant (which will be held by kind permission of the Minister for Industry and Commerce) is sponsored by the Shannon Aero Club, Limerick, and will be a part of the "Aerobatics" programme. All forms of flying will be demonstrated in a very spectacular programme, including jets, piston engine aircraft, gliders and model flying aircraft.

One of the most thrilling items on the programme will be the first public demonstration of aerobatics to be given by the new "jets" of the Irish Army Air Corps.

Another first appearance in this country will be the "Original Darling Young Man" on the flying trapeze—M. Rene Vincent, who will be suspended underneath an aeroplane, where he will perform aerobatics at the end of a trapeze whilst the aircraft flies past the crowd at an altitude of 200 feet.

By way of contrast from the roar of the "jets" there will be the silent graceful flights of the gliders, two of which will be demonstrated by the Limerick and the Dublin Gliding Clubs. Another thrill in store and the "first ever" in this country will be the massed parachute jump by three members of the newly-formed Irish Parachute Club, who will jump simultaneously from three different aircraft. This calls for very accurate judgment and timing, which is a most thrilling event to watch.

M. Rene Vincent, as well as doing aerobatics, performs another wonderful feat when he will use three parachutes in his descent to the ground. The first parachute opens soon after he jumps from the aircraft, and when he is suspended from the parachute for a few seconds he cuts himself adrift and drops again like a stone. The second parachute then opens, which, in turn, is cut adrift and M. Vincent finally lands on his third chute in front of the crowd.

Other attractions include a demonstration of a four-seater Auster aircraft by the Chief Test Pilot, Mr. Ronald Porteous; aerobatic display by an Army Provost plane and a dazzling display of aerobatics by Mr. Sam Pratt, one of Shannon Aero Club's most experienced pilots in a Chipmunk.

PLEASURE FLIGHTS

Pleasure flights will be available from 10 a.m. and will give many people an opportunity of getting a bird's eye view of the Airport and surrounding district. Aer Lingus are sending one of their Viscount aircraft, which will be on view on the ground from 2.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m., while Irish Air Charter Co. will have on display their five-seater luxury charter aircraft, which was recently flown across the Atlantic.

FLYING TRAPEZE

Three special flying items will be staged between 12 o'clock and 12.30 and early comers will see some of the most spectacular items on the day's programme. In fact, the earlier you come to Shannon on Sunday next, the more pleasant and exciting your day will prove, and patrons are urged to be in the enclosure as early as possible.

GLIDERS

Nine international airlines based at Shannon are putting on their own individual display stalls in one extra-large marquee, and early comers will be given special consideration and attention, facilities that cannot be granted as the day progresses.

Shannon Airport Catering Service will provide full catering facilities throughout the day, including luncheons, snacks, teas and refreshments.

It will be a day to remember, and in fact with the full world-famous Airport catering service in action, it is learned that many thousands will arrive early to make it a memorable day in the open.

AIR PAGEANT

ON Sunday next, 26th, in connection with the Air Pageant at Shannon Airport, augmented bus services will be provided from Limerick and Ennis Railway Stations, as required, to Shannon Airport, returning after the Pageant. Intending passengers may board at any intermediate stage.

CORAS IOMPAIR EIREANN



Left to right: Mr. Vic Williams, Mr. Norman Hoffman and Mr. F. Bond—three parachute aces who will be seen in action at the Air Pageant at Shannon Airport on Sunday next.

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