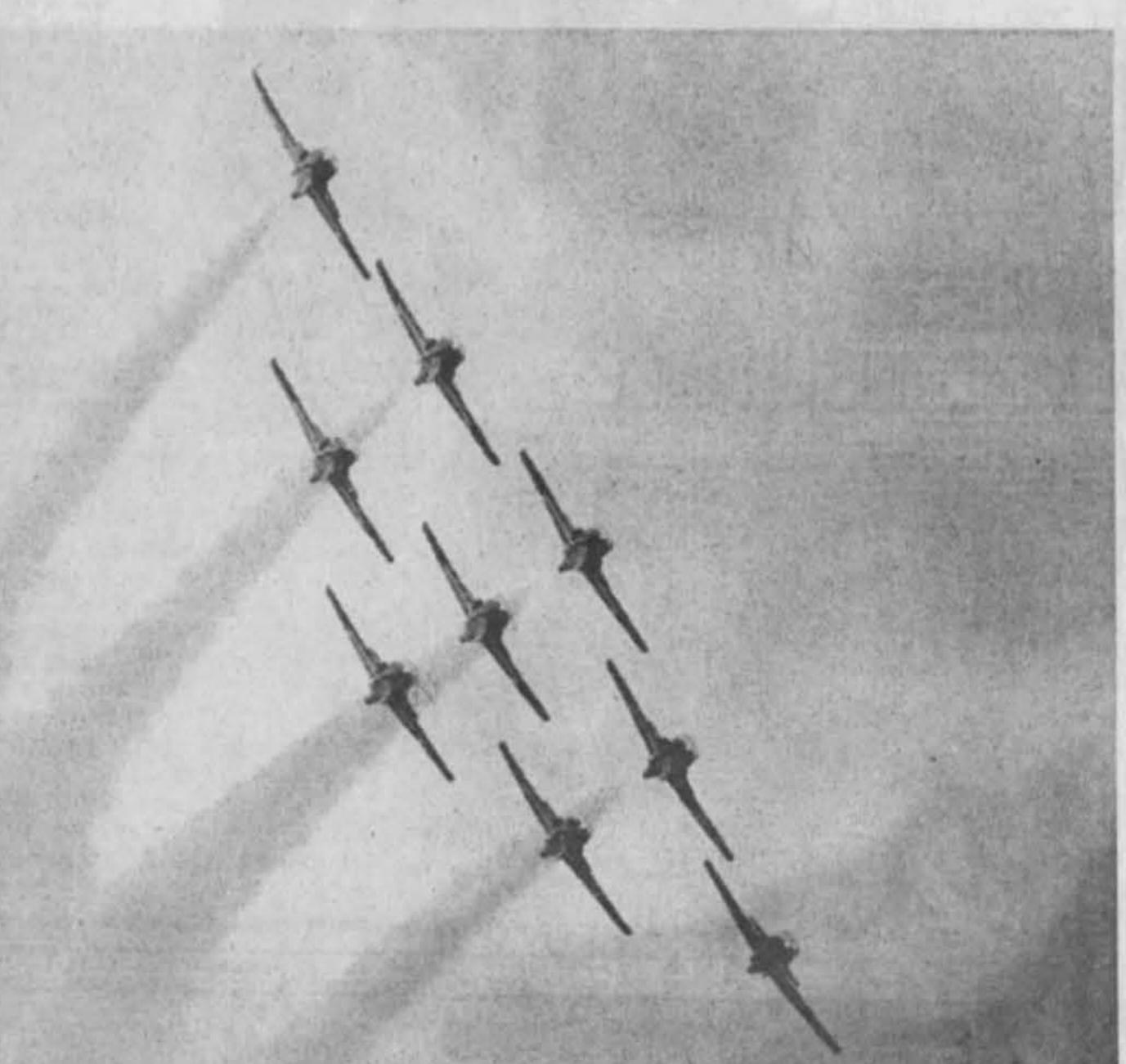
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for Transportation Week National Transportation Week | Richard Cahill: 514-842-1738 runs from May 25 to June 1. Here | Claude Montpetit: 514-399-7088 Mirabel airport. is a schedule of some of the major WEDNESDAY, MAY 28 public events planned for the Seminar: "The Management and Maintenance of a Trucking MONDAY, MAY 26 Fleet." Registration for this all-day Blood donor clinic: Members of seminar for businessmen begins and display booths will be set up.

Schedule lists events

the transport industry and the general public are asked to drop by 3131 Sherbrooke St. E. to donate blood. The clinic, which will be run by the Red Cross, will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. until Friday, May 30.

TUESDAY, MAY 27

Expos' Night: The week's organizers have made 1,000 baseball tickets available to the public for the Montreal Expos' game against the San Diego Padres. The tickets are for seats at the Olympic Stadium's 300 and 400 levels and are sold on a first-come first-serve basis. About 500 tickets remain unsold. The game starts at 7:35 p.m.

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at 8:30 a.m. at the Hotel Sheraton in Laval.

FRIDAY, MAY 30

Annual parade: More than 100 vehicles, including trucks, buses and motorcycles, will parade through the streets of Montreal with drivers honking their homs all the way. The parade gives spectators a chance to see some antique and unusual transport equipment. The parade starts at noon at the Concorde Bridge and then winds its way along University St., Dorchester Blvd., Guy, Sherbrooke and Papineau streets.

> SATURDAY, MAY 31 SUNDAY, JUNE 1

Expo Air '86: Members of the 431st Canadian Armed Forces Air 514-637-6554 Demonstration Squadron — bet-

ter known as the Snowbirds will take part in the air show at

There will be an outdoor display of more than 60 aircraft, many of which the public can board. Indoors, more than 80 information

Tickets for adults are \$4 daily. Admission will be free for children under age 12 on Saturday and \$1 on Sunday.

The Montreal Expos' mascot, Youppi, will greet children on Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m.

All proceeds from Expo Air '86 will go to Wings of Hope, a nonprofit organization which transports food and medical supplies to impoverished people in Peru and Bolivia.

SUNDAY, JUNE 1

Truckers' Tournament: The Quebec Trucking Association invites the public to Galeries d'Anjou to witness truck drivers test their skills in competition from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Future looks bright for Montreal's port

The Port of Montreal can expect another good year in 1986 thanks to its containerized cargo business, says Dominic Taddeo, the port's general manager and chief executive officer.

Taddeo is confident the port will surpass last year's record of handling 4.4 million tonnes of containerized cargo.

"As at the end of March this year, we were roughly 14 per cent ahead of the volume done last year at this time," said Taddeo in a recent interview.

The 1985 volume is a 6.6-percent increase over 1984 and the fourth record in four years.

The port has operated with profits varying from \$5.5 million to \$26.8 million during the past six years.

Its 1985 profit dropped to \$18.2 million from \$20.6 million in 1984, due mainly to a decline in grain and petroleum-products traffic.

Although Taddeo expects traffic for these goods will again be lower this year, he is confident the port's increased volume of containerized cargo will take up much of the slack.

The future of the shipping industry is in containerized cargo because of the increased number of smaller nations using steel boxes to transport goods, says Taddeo.

Montreal is Canada's leading container port, handling about half of all containerized cargo moved through Canadian ports.

The Port of Montreal now ranks as the third most important container port on North America's eastern seaboard after New York City and Baltimore.

Competition is fierce, says Taddeo, but Montreal stays "in the big league" because of its flexibility.

Both Canadian National and

Canadian Pacific railways use the port's rail terminal. The network of main highways that pass through the city allows goods to be quickly transported to either Dorval or Mirabel airport or inland by truck.

With 108 berths, 27 transit sheds, three grain elevators and six container terminals, the port can handle every type of cargo. It is also equipped with large capacity cranes, refrigerated installations and repair, bunkering and towing facilities.

Each year, the Port of Montreal contributes about \$750 million to the economy of the Montreal region. The port is directly responsible for the employment of 10,000 people and indirectly responsible for 7,000 others.

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Via celebrates

This year Via Rail will commemorate two important anniversaries in the history of passenger

On July 21, 1836, Canada operated its first passenger train, the Dorchester, on a 23-km track between La Prairie and St-Jeansur-Richelieu, Que.

Fifty years later, the first transcontinental passenger train arrived on the West Coast from Montreal. The CP Pacific Express left Montreal on June 28, 1886 and arrived in Port Moody, B.C. after a 139-hour trip on July 4.

On July 19, a modern Via light rapid commuter train will carry Canada's Governor General Jeanne Sauvé and other dignitaries to La Prairie from Montreal for a day of festivities.

In the afternoon, the train will retrace the inaugural run from La Prairie to St-Jean-sur-Richelieu, where various activities are planned on the station grounds.

A variety of events and exhibitions have been planned to celebrate the Dorchester's 150th anniversary throughout the summer in La Prairie, St-Jean-sur-Richelieu and at St. Constant's railway museum.