LSD, and 29 times as many have used opiates. The rate of LSD use is 62 times greater among marijuanasmokers than among those who have not tried marijuana.

One note of caution has been sounded by the researchers about their findings to date — that their figures cannot be taken as representative for all marijuana users (such as those from slum centres in large U.S. cities) but they do represent a "fair cross section of adolescent students from grades 7 to 14 in the larger cities of Eastern Canada, and generally are "normal", not "deviant" populations.

## ESKIMO LANGUAGE FOR DEGREE CREDIT

The first course in the Eskimo language that can be counted as credit towards a degree is being offered by the University of Saskatchewan.

The university's Institute for Northern Studies opened an Arctic Research and Training Centre at Rankin Inlet last autumn. The Centre is a base for research and infield training related to problems of the North and is the first institution to offer a degree credit course in the Eskimo language.

## ST. PIERRE QUARANTINE STATION

A new maximum-security livestock quarantine station was jointly opened recently by representatives of the French Ministry of Agriculture and the Canada Department of Agriculture on the French island of St. Pierre at the mouth of Fortune Bay, Newfoundland, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

The station was built and is being maintained by France; the Canada Department of Agriculture will be in charge of its health aspects, including quarantine regulations and tests.

Quarantine regulations at St. Pierre are identical to those in effect at the CDA's station at Grosse Ile, about 40 miles east of Quebec City in the St. Lawrence River. The Grosse Ile station, which is used to capacity, handles 240 cattle. The last Grosse Ile importation was released on April 1. There were 156 Charolais, 15 Limousin, seven Maine-Anjou and 14 Pie Rouge from France, as well as 44 Simental from

Switzerland. The St. Pierre station can handle 200 cattle.

During the past several years, the demand for import permits has exceeded the available quarantine space. The new St. Pierre station will help to meet the growing need for space.

Canadian farmers are required to obtain CDA import permits and to pay the costs involved in importing cattle. Terms are similar to those in effect at Grosse Ile.

## PROTECTION OF CANADA'S FORESTS

Mr. Jack Davis, Minister of Fisheries and Forestry, issued the following statement for National Forest Week from May 3 to 9:

Canada's forests mean many things to many

people.

Ecologists know they are important in maintaining supplies of water and oxygen. To many city-dwellers they are a vacation haven where one can enjoy solitude and relaxation. To many people in the world Canada's forests are the source of the paper on which the daily newspaper is printed.

To almost a third of a million Canadians they mean jobs and livelihood, and all Canadians should be aware that our forests are a major factor in our

economic and social well-being.

I'm asking you to take a little time to think about what you can do to preserve and protect our forests, because none of us can afford to take our forests for granted — in National Forest Week or in any other week. Three out of every four forest fires are caused by human carelessness, and last year these fires ravaged 1,800,000 acres of Canadian woodlands. In the value of uncut timber alone, that means a loss of considerably more than \$10 million.

The season is with us again when the risk of forest fires can be very high, and I urge you to help us in keeping needless waste to a minimum — waste of timber, waste of wildlife and recreational opportunities, waste to our environment. As you travel through our forests this summer please put out campfires with water, don't throw away cigarettes; please

be careful.