



Three of the mineralogical specimens from the Froberg Collection recently acquired by the Royal Ontario Museum (see Canadian Weekly Bulletin dated December 1). Above, calcite crystals coated with goethite, from the Bancroft area of Ontario; upper left, cassiterite from Mexico; left, from Yugoslavia, the porcupine-like boulangerite whose "quills" are fragile crystals as fine as hair.

GRANT TO ARCTIC WINTER GAMES

A \$125,000-federal grant to the Arctic Winter Games Corporation to help stage the Second Arctic Winter Games in Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, in March 1972, has been announced by the Minister of National Health and Welfare, Mr. John Munro.

Ian Howard, Western representative of the Fitness and Amateur Sport Directorate in Vancouver, who will co-ordinate the federal contribution to the Games, presented the grant on behalf of Mr. Munro. The money will help defray costs of promoting, organizing and staging the Games and provide facilities for them.

The Arctic Winter Games provide inter-culture athletic competitions and a meeting-ground for residents of the Arctic community. Competitors are drawn from the geographical areas lying entirely north of the 60th Parallel.

The Games emphasize activities indigenous to the Arctic and draw participants from the Northwest Territories, the Yukon, the Eastern Arctic and Alaska. In addition to sports competitions, participants engage in cultural activities and traditional Indian and Eskimo games, little known south of the Arctic regions and in danger of being forgotten in many parts of the North.

The First Arctic Winter Games were held in March 1970 in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, where 750 athletes took part in ten sports and numerous cultural exhibits.

The third series of Arctic Games are planned for 1974 in the U.S. state of Alaska, from where competitors have come since the inception of the Games in Canada, and have shared the cost of staging them. In 1974, Alaska will act as host to the Games, adding an international dimension to what has so far been largely a Canadian enterprise.