

the North East for the establishment and administration of departments of agriculture and engineering. This grant covered the supply of Canadian advisers in co-operation with the University of Manitoba, several scholarships and \$60,000-worth of Canadian equipment. The new university is expected to turn out about 1,200 graduates by 1970, many of whom will work on irrigation and highway projects.

MEDICAL AID

Capital assistance has been extended to Thailand in the form of an \$85,000-cobalt therapy unit and a \$500,000-road survey. The theratron 80 tela-therapy unit was installed at the Chulalongkorn Hospital, Bangkok, in 1965 and is being used for the treatment of cancer.

The highway study is in progress in the Mae Klong River Basin, southwest of Bangkok. The purpose of this project is to establish the economic and technical feasibility of a proposed road which, if constructed, would join the only national highway to southern Thailand shorten the existing route considerably, help to open the entire area for development and provide improved marketing and communications services through more effective transportation. A Canadian engineering team was supplied for the comprehensive survey which included an economic study, traffic analysis, material and soil investigation and other related areas.

INDIAN CARVING FOR COMMONS

Mr. Arthur Laing, Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources and Superintendent General of Indian Affairs, recently presented the world's largest argillite carving to Mr. Lucien Lamoureux, Speaker of the House of Commons. The large totem pole, which will be used to decorate the Commonwealth Room in the Parliament Buildings, was carved by Rufus Moody, a Haida Indian of the Skidegate Reserve in the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Mr. Laing paid tribute to the skills of the artist who broke his own record in producing a carving of this size. Mr. Moody was born in the Skidegate Mission in the Queen Charlotte Islands in 1922. He is the son of Arthur Moody, also a carver of renown. The number of completed carvings by the artist is unknown but several poles exceeding 36 inches have been produced. Earlier this year, he broke his father's record by producing a carving measuring 48 inches.

This latest pole is 50 inches tall, weighs over 80 pounds and was carved from slabs of argillite.

UN EXPO STAMPS

United Nations postage stamps issued for Expo '67 will be valid for the prepayment of mail posted at the Pavilion on the United Nations at Expo '67, Montreal.

Mr. Jean-Pierre Côté, Postmaster General, announced recently that an agreement had been concluded between the United Nations Postal Administration and the Canada Post Office for the sale and use of special United Nations postage stamps.

The Pavilion on the United Nations, Mr. Côté said, was under the auspices of the World Federation of United Nations Associations. By entering into the agreement with the United Nations Postal Administration, the Canada Post Office was helping to spread the message of the United Nations Charter. The special stamps will be used on mail addressed to all corners of the world and they would, the Postmaster General said, be a reminder of the deeply-rooted desire of humanity for peace and a better world.

While details of the special stamp issue were not available, said Mr. Côté, the set of stamps, which will number five, would highlight the theme of Expo '67, "Man and His World".

ILO CONFERENCE IN OTTAWA

The Ottawa Plan for Human Resources Development in the Americas and the Ottawa Programme for Social Security Reform were adopted by the eighth Conference of American States Members of the International Labour Organization, which was held recently in Ottawa.

In two resolutions adopted unanimously, the Conference invited the ILO to draw up and co-ordinate manpower programmes for the countries of the Americas, with particular attention being paid to the problems of Latin America and the Caribbean, and asked the ILO to intensify its activities in the field of social security in the American countries and to co-ordinate action already being taken in this field by other international organizations.

In an address to the Conference, Prime Minister L.B. Pearson said that the ILO was an organization Canada had been proud to support from the beginning.

He told the delegates that they had adopted important resolutions on manpower planning, social security and employment policy, including a plan for the co-ordination of manpower programmes for the Americas. "All of us are coming to realize the contribution which sound policies in these fields can make toward economic growth," Mr. Pearson declared. He praised the ILO for its contribution in this field, and stated that "human resources are the only solid foundation for economic growth".

ARCTIC ICE SURVEY

Mr. J.W. Pickersgill, the Minister of Transport, announced recently that a five-year contract, worth \$5 million, for aircraft and special equipment, had been awarded to a Toronto firm to fly and maintain two Douglas DC-4 aircraft for work on ice reconnaissance.

(Continued on P. 6)