

edition, which will be published in the spring of 1950. Pictures and format will be new, and an edition in Italian, as well as in the languages noted above, has been planned.

To meet the growing interest abroad in Canada and its affairs, the Department produces a variety of reference material on Canada: the country, the life of its people, and its external relations. *Reference Papers* are produced on such topics as "The Development of Natural Resources in Canada" and "The Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Waterway and Power Project." A series of *Statements and Speeches* provides a convenient reference to texts of important official statements. Canadian publications are scanned for articles of special interest, and with the permission of the publisher and the author, *Reprints* are then mimeographed and distributed abroad. Popular *Features* on various aspects of Canadian life, usually accompanied by photographs, are placed by posts abroad with newspapers, periodicals and syndicates. One-page *Fact Sheets* on such basic subjects as population, agriculture, geography, and government, are available in English and French, and are planned in Spanish and Portuguese. The reception of these sheets has been so favorable that it has been almost impossible to keep up with the demand.

All posts make selective distribution of *Features*, *Reference Papers* and *Reprints* to editors, whose requests often determine the subjects treated in these series. The results of a clipping test made recently in the United States showed that more than 325 daily and weekly newspapers, with a circulation of 5,250,000, had published the photographs and text of a typical *Feature*.

Occasionally, if suitable material is not available, a special publication may be issued to fill a particular need. By arrangement with the Department of Trade and Commerce, the Department also organizes the entire distribution abroad of the *Canada Year Book* and the *Official Hand Book*.

### Photographs and Display Material

Suitable pictorial material on Canadian topics for the use of posts abroad is purchased from the National Film Board and all other available sources. A total of 24,000 prints was distributed in 1949, of which nearly 5,000 were for reference and display. A similar number were photographs of topical events in Canada; and over 8,000 pictures were supplied in response to enquiries.

A special "Canada-Week" display of Canadian maps, photographs, films, silk-screen prints, newspapers and books was held in Berlin, and exhibitions of photographs were shown in Rio de Janeiro and Tokyo. When Newfoundland entered confederation, a portable