

## INVESTMENT POTENTIAL IN ASIA

Canadian businessmen will be visiting Manila this month to explore the investment potential of the Pacific Rim countries and their rapidly-growing economies. They will be in the capital of the Philippines from September 23 to 29, along with business representatives from the United States, Britain and other industrialized countries, at an unusual meeting sponsored by the Vienna-based United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

Apart from brief opening and closing sessions, the conference will consist entirely of meetings between investors, businessmen and top-level officials from the developing countries of Asia. They will discuss a wide range of possible new enterprises. Proposals have already come from Asian public and private sectors for metal refineries, textile and garment factories, sawmills and flour mills, food processing and packaging plants, and the manufacture of toys, colour television, typewriters, ships, agricultural machinery, chemical products and electric and automotive components.

### KENYA MEETING PLANNED

Later in the year, a similar meeting will be arranged by UNIDO in Nairobi, Kenya. A 1969 conference in Tunis drew 70 industrialists from 16 developed countries, while another in Rabat, Morocco, brought together 250 participants from 44 countries and led to more than 160 specific industrial projects in Africa, from the production of automobile tires to the dehydration of strawberries.

The Manila meeting, jointly sponsored by UNIDO and the UN's Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East (ECAFE), will offer Canadian industrialists a chance to do three things: to survey opportunities in a promising growth area, to take part in Canada's increasing discovery of its dimension as a Pacific nation, and to do something practical about international development.

Canada will be represented officially at the UNIDO meetings by W.J. Burnett, director of the Business and Industry Division of the Canadian International Development Agency.

## DAIRY PRODUCTS IMPORT CONTROLS

Additional products were placed under import control last month. Now included in the list of products controlled under the Export and Import Permits Act are cheese of all types, dry whole milk, evaporated and condensed milks and animal feeds containing more than 40 per cent of non-fat milk solids.

Other dairy products already under import control are butter, butterfat in any form, cheddar and colby cheese, cheese for processing, dry buttermilk, dry casein and caseinates, dry skimmed milk and dry whey.

The Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce,

Mr. Jean-Luc Pepin, who announced the new controls, said that depressed international prices for dairy products, resulting from a heavy over-supply in the world, had led to certain dairy products not under import control entering Canada or being offered at prices well below the equivalent of Canadian support levels.

"Low-priced imports have been displacing Canadian dairy products to the extent that they were causing serious disruption to the Canadian dairy stabilization program," the Minister said.

He added that following the decision with respect to the dairy stabilization program for the current year, the Government had instituted a full investigation of the matter of imports which threatened the program and the most desirable way of dealing with the situation.

## SYMPOSIUM ON POLLUTION

The Department of External Affairs, the Canadian Branch of the International Law Association and the Faculty of Law at the University of British Columbia are jointly sponsoring a symposium on the international legal aspects of pollution, which will take place in Vancouver from September 9 to 11. This is one of a series of symposiums that have been held over the past seven years, during which small groups of Canadian professors of international law and officials of the Department of External Affairs have discussed selected topics in international law. This year about 20 participants will attend from all parts of Canada.

Mr. J.J. Greene, the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, will address the meeting and papers will be presented by both the academic and official participants on such subjects as pollution of the sea and of the atmosphere, the law on pollution of international water resources, as well as on control of aircraft noise pollution and weather modification activities.

## TEACHING EQUIPMENT TO JAMAICA

Canada is supplying technical and vocational schools in Jamaica with \$375,000-worth of equipment under its economic assistance program to the Caribbean island.

The shipments will include machine tools, welding, automotive and other equipment, making possible more effective teaching of industrial, home economics and agricultural courses. The material will be divided among 18 schools designated by the Jamaican Ministry of Education, as having equipment deficiencies, in consultation with Canadian technical education advisers.

The grant is provided through the Canadian International Development Agency and includes the cost of shipping.