

stage in UNRWA's accelerated programme to increase its educational and vocational training facilities.

UNRWA's programme has won Canadian support from its inception. In 1960 Dr. Davis expressed the hope that the talents of refugee youths could be salvaged by a programme of general education and specialized training that would fit them for employment in an era of technological progress. Canadian endorsement of this programme took the form of a special gift to UNRWA in connection with World Refugee Year of one million dollars worth of wheat flour to make possible the construction of vocational training centres.

Siblin is the first of two Canadian financed training centres to be built by UNRWA. On this, the day of its inauguration, it stands as a symbol of international cooperation to improve the lot of distressed human beings. That Canada has been able to participate in this as in other aspects of UNRWA's work is a source of pride and satisfaction to all Canadians."