organizers of the seminars, knowing at first hand of Paul Scofield's remarkable qualities as an interpreter of Shakespeare, are aware that a good basis for study will be provided by the Festival productions.

#### CURRICULUM

The members of the seminars will hear lectures and demonstrations, discuss the plays in small groups and put questions to members of the company in an 'actors symposium' one week and to professional critics the next. The relation with the Theatre will be close; the meetings of the seminars will be held in the Theatre building, and it is hoped that in touring the Theatre, attending the plays, and listening to scholars, critics and theatre people, the members will achieve the satisfaction of a deeper understanding of the problem and challenge of playing Shakespeare before a modern audience. The seminars are not courses for credit but are for interest only. As a result, applicants need no qualifications other than an interest in Shakespeare and the theatre.

The seminars are organized on behalf of the universities by the Department of Extension of McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario, and further information may be obtained from Peter D. Smith, the Assistant Director of the Department.

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# NORTHERN HOUSING CONTRACTS

Northern Affairs Minister Walter Dinsdale has announced that Dalite Corporation of Canada Limited, Toronto, has been awarded a \$181,968 contract for the construction of 14 residences for Eskimo schoolchildren and a \$200,213 contract for 12 houses for northern teachers, administrators, welfare workers and RCMP officers.

The buildings will be prefabricated at Toronto and shipped from Montreal, Churchill, Manitoba, or Waterways, Alberta, for assembly by local labour at northern settlements.

#### WINTER WORKS

The contracts are partly financed by a \$655,000 Northern Affairs winter works programme that will provide 655 "man-months" of employment from the building of 89 prefabricated northern buildings. Work will be stimulated in many parts of Canada by the programme, because the labour, which is a large part of the construction cost, is distributed among employees of plants producing the housing materials as well as those of the prime contractor.

The 14 hostels will accommodate Eskimo children who have not been able to attend school regularly because they lived far from schools or because they had to accompany their parents on fishing and hunting trips. Eight children will live in each residence.

Three residences will be built at Eskimo Point and Pangnirtung, two at Cape Dorset, Coral Harbour and Igloolik, and one each at

Cambridge Bay and the Belcher Islands

Two of the 12 three-bedroom houses will go up at Fort Chimo, Quebec, two at Pangnirtung, and seven at Sugluk, Quebec, and Rankin Inlet, Eskimo Point, Whale Cove, Pond Inlet and Resolute Bay, North West Territories. The other house is a double being paid for by the RCMP to accommodate its detachment at Tuktoyaktuk in the Western Arctic.

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### ILO EXPERT TO ISRAEL

Mr. H. James Elliott, recently retired teacher-headmaster, Toronto Board of Education, left Canada on 25 March to take up an appointment in Israel, as an expert in instructor training for one year under the special Fund of the United Nations, by arrangement between the Government of Israel and the International Labour Office.

Mr. Elliott's duties will include the preparation of courses for training existing and potential instructor staff for vocational training schools and actual staff training.

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## TCA LOWERS FARES

Trans-Canada Air Lines will lower passenger fares from Canada to Nassau and The West Indies by as much as 35 per cent on May 15, when new 17-day excursion rates and reduced regular fares on southern routes are intro-uced.

The new fares were agreed to at a recent International Air Transport Association traffic conference in Bermuda. They will apply on flights from Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto to Nassau, Jamaica, Barbados, Trinidad and

Antigua, starting May 15.

Lower general fares will be introduced between Canada and Bermuda on the same date. In addition, 10-day excursion fares one-third lower than the new low general fares will be introduced on this latter route between October 31 and March 16.

The new rates follow introduction of TCA's Vickers "Vanguard" turbo-prop airliners on routes from Canada to Bermuda, Nassau and the islands of the Caribbean.