

requirements, for railway development programs in Latin America, Africa and Asia.

The firm's reputation as a reliable supplier to Indonesia was established through the recent CIDA contract and should place Hawker Siddeley Canada Inc. in an excellent position to bid on the further purchase of 200 identical railway wagons now being considered by PUSRI. These wagons would be only partially built in Canada, with assembly and final completion carried out in Indonesia, thus developing a capability in this industry within the country.

MALAYSIA

Four members of Malaysia's Forestry Department arrived in Canada in August for the ASEAN-Canada **Forest Tree Seed Centre** project. Under the project, Canada is providing post-graduate and short-term practical training awards, the latter covering various aspects of seed technology such as tree climbing, seed harvesting, handling, processing, testing, storage and the use of related equipment.

The courses have been arranged to meet the specific requirement of each ASEAN member country and provide for on-the-job training. The Malaysian group's training is at the University of British Columbia, at the Alberta Forestry Service Pineridge Nursery in Coldlake, Alberta, and at the Canadian Forestry Service, Petawawa National Forestry Institute, Ontario.

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The Canadian International Development Agency is contributing \$27,400 during 1982 to the **World University Service (WUS)** for the Basic Needs Education Program being undertaken by the Consumers' Association of Penang.

The program is aimed at a wide audience, ranging from small farmers and estate workers to students and teachers across Malaysia. The broad objective of the program is to increase public awareness of basic issues touching upon health and housing conditions, environmental pollution and consumer rights. This is done through a variety of techniques: seminars, training sessions, slide shows, house to house counselling, exhibitions and the use of mass media, particularly radio and newspapers.

WUS is an international non-governmental organization composed of a network of national committees all over the world. It strives to involve those with access to higher education in a partnership with the poor and underprivileged to work jointly for social justice, human dignity and freedom. In Malaysia, where

WUS does not have a formal committee, it operates in association with the Consumers' Association of Penang.

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Dr. Jose Menezes and Dr. K.S. Sundar of the Laboratory of Immunovirology, Pediatric Research Centre, Hopital Ste-Justine, Montreal, participated at the recent **International Symposium on Nasopharyngeal Carcinoma (NPC)** organized by the Department of Otorhinolaryngology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Malaya on September 27-29.

There is a high incidence of NPC in Malaysia and the symposium provided an opportunity for medical researchers from Malaysia and around the world to present new data obtained on the diagnosis and treatment of this form of cancer since the last symposium in 1980, and to initiate and formulate plans for international collaborative research projects.

The two Canadians were sponsored through the Canadian High Commission's Mission Administered Fund.

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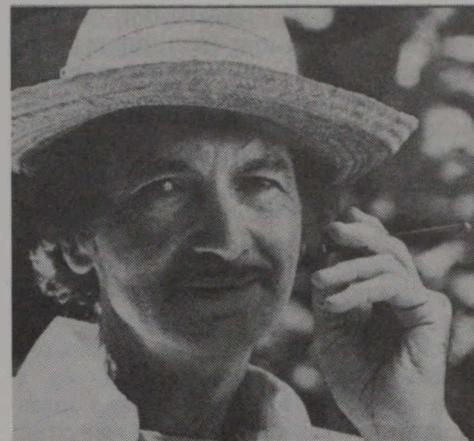
Mr. Peter Stephenson of the **Canadian Oilfield Manufacturers' Association (COMA)** will be visiting Kuala Lumpur from November 21 to 28, as part of an extensive ASEAN market survey. On November 22, he will conduct an audio visual seminar at the Regent Hotel outlining the extensive oil and gas equipment capabilities of COMA member companies. About 30 representatives of Petronas, Petronas-Carigali, Esso and other industry leaders are expected to attend.

PHILIPPINES

Manila is hosting a series of **Canadian film festivals** from September this year to January, 1983.

The first event, held at the Ayala Museum from September 16-17, presented Norman McLaren's pioneering works in animation film-making, the award-winning films of Canada's younger crop of animation artists, as well as other notable animation films made by the National Film Board of Canada (NFB). And, in the last week of September, the museum's alternative cinema showed two full-length feature films.

Throughout October, full-length feature films and other NFB shorts—nine in all—are being screened at the Manila Film Centre.



Norman McLaren, pioneer Canadian animation film-maker.

The Cinema in the Open Air will pay tribute to Norman McLaren and his art in a Christmas presentation. That cinema also plans to open 1983 with a festival of Canadian films, providing a wider selection for a larger public.

Meanwhile, plans are afoot to organize a large international participation to the second Manila International Film Festival (MIFF), which is scheduled for 1983. MIFF representative Miss Marita Manuel will travel to Canada in the near future to arrange screenings of possible Canadian film entries and to confer with potential participants. The representative will work closely with the Canadian Department of Communications' Film Festival Bureau.

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For generations the **Cagayan Valley** in northeast Luzon has lagged behind most of the other regions of the Philippines in terms of economic development. This has been due in part to its relative isolation from urban-industrial markets, seriously affecting its supply and marketing position. It has endured primarily as a rice and corn region, paying high prices for inputs and receiving below average income from the crops.

However, in recent years the outlook for the valley has improved due to the land reform program, the rice and corn support programs, and the prospect of extensive irrigation and power supply from the Magat River Development Authority.

An additional cause for optimism is the development of barrio-level farmers' associations linked to area marketing co-operatives and co-operative rural banks, all of which come under the regional umbrella of the Cagayan Valley Development Co-operative (CAVADECO).

This three-tiered structure has been developed over the past six years through a joint undertaking of the governments of the Philippines and Canada through the Canadian International Development