

including prospects for peace in the Middle East, and the strengthening of general bilateral relations.

After a three-day stay in the capital, Dr. Khalid and his delegation were scheduled to visit several provinces to meet representatives from the provincial governments and industry. They were to discuss commercial and investment opportunities the Sudan – a large food-producer – may offer to interested Canadian firms.

Delegation from China

Saskatchewan fish proved no match for Peking anglers, when a 12-man delegation from the Chinese People's Institute of Foreign Affairs went fishing to relax during a two-week tour of Canada recently.

The visit, in return for one to China by members of the Canadian Institute of International Affairs in 1973, was sponsored by the Department of External Affairs in collaboration with the Canadian Institute of International Affairs.

Institute president Hao Teh-ching headed the delegation, which visited Ottawa, Quebec City, Regina, Lac La Ronge, Saskatoon, Toronto, Hamilton, Oakville, Niagara Falls and Gravenhurst, before going on to the United States for a three-week stay.

In Ottawa, briefings dealing with Canada's federal system and trade were held at the Department of External Affairs. Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs K. Goldschlag briefed the group on Canadian foreign policy, and Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs André Bissonnette was host at a reception

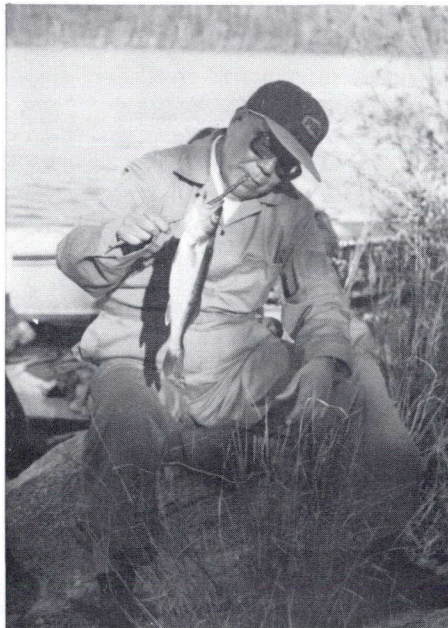
honouring the guests on their arrival.

Meetings were also held with Assistant Deputy Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs E.M.R. Cotterill, to discuss northern development.

Before leaving for Quebec City, the group dined in the Parliamentary Restaurant with members of the External Affairs and Defence Committee and committee chairman Marcel Prudhomme, Member of Parliament. While there, they met briefly with Secretary of State for External Affairs Don Jamieson.

In Quebec City, the visitors met members of the provincial government, officials of the Intergovernmental Affairs department and academics from Laval University, before touring the walled city.

The Regina visit began with an offi-



Chinese guests relax for a day's fishing at Lac La Ronge.



Chinese delegation visits a farm in Regina, Saskatchewan.

cial reception and dinner, given by Saskatchewan Premier Allan Blakeney to honour the delegation. Later, the guests stopped at a cattle ranch, a farm where they lunched with a family, a potash mine, and then they spent a Sunday at Lac La Ronge, fishing and relaxing at a private lodge, before travelling to Saskatoon to tour the city and visit the University of Saskatchewan.

In Toronto, they held discussions with Metro Toronto chairman Paul Godfrey and with members of the Ontario government. They also visited the University of Toronto, the Ontario Science Centre and the CN Tower.

Trips to Niagara Falls and to Niagara on the Lake were preceded by tours of the Ford Motor plant in Oakville and the Steel Company of Canada plant in Hamilton.

Before returning to Ottawa, the group stopped at Gravenhurst to see the birthplace of Dr. Norman Bethune, a Canadian doctor revered in China for his work with the Chinese army during their battles with Japanese forces in the Second World War (see *Canada Weekly*, Volume 4, No. 37, dated September 15, 1976).

Additional gift to the International Year of the Child

A Canadian contribution of \$100,000 towards the operating expenses of the International Year of the Child was announced at the Executive Board of UNICEF, held recently in Manila in the Philippines.

The voluntary contribution is in addition to the regular voluntary Canadian contributions to UNICEF. The annual Canadian Government contribution to UNICEF of \$6.5 million makes Canada the fourth largest contributor. The Canadian Government also contributes towards special UNICEF projects and the Canadian public make voluntary contributions in the order of \$10 million.

The International Year of the Child was proclaimed by last year's General Assembly for 1979, the twentieth anniversary of the Declaration of the Rights of the Child.

The International Year of the Child will focus on programs that will generate far-reaching and sustained activities on behalf of children.