

NEW SEAWAY PRESIDENT

The appointment of Dr. Pierre Camu, vice-president of the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority since October 1960, as president of the Authority for a five-year term was announced recently by Mr. J.W. Pickersgill, the Minister of Transport. Dr. Camu's appointment becomes effective on August 1, when the term of R.J. Rankin, president of the Authority since August 1, 1960, expires.

Dr. Camu came to the Seaway Authority from Laval University, Quebec, where he was professor of economic geography and director of the research centre of the Faculty of Commerce. He is the author of a number of publications, several of which deal with the effects of the Seaway on the Canadian economy and with the problem of tolls.

CURRICULUM VITAE

Dr. Camu was born in Montreal in 1923. He graduated from the University of Montreal with a Master of Arts degree and subsequently did post-graduate work in international economics and economic geography at John Hopkins University, Baltimore. He received a Ph.D. in economic geography from the University of Montreal, the subject of his thesis being "The Economic Axis of the St. Lawrence River from Kingston to Quebec City".

From 1956 to 1960, he did consulting work for a number of organizations in the realm of shipping in Eastern Canada and the United States.

GULF OF ST. LAWRENCE OIL

Pan American Petroleum Corporation has obtained federal oil and gas exploration permits covering some 9,500,000 acres in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. The Calgary-based firm thus becomes the first oil company to take out permits to explore the Gulf. "We welcome this as a promising new development in the exploration and exploitation of Canada's offshore mineral wealth," said Mr. Arthur Laing, Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources.

The new permits cover an area extending almost 200 miles southeast from the Gaspé Peninsula and completely encircling the Magdalen Islands.

OTHER AREAS UNDER STUDY

Pan American, with Imperial Oil, is already exploring 31,300,000 acres in the Grand Banks southeast of Newfoundland. There core holes are being drilled and dredging for bottom samples and marine seismic work are being carried on. In the Pacific, Pan American holds federal exploration permits covering 2,800,000 acres north of the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Mr. Laing said that the tempo of oil and gas exploration on the continental shelf off Canada's coasts was increasing steadily. "These offshore areas appear to have a tremendous potential in oil and gas reserves," he stated.

The Federal Government has so far issued exploration permits covering more than 160,000,000 acres off Canada's coasts. Some 89,000,000 acres are off the Atlantic Coast, including the Gulf of St. Lawrence area for which Pan American has just obtained permits.

ICY FITNESS COURSES

Students from many United Nations countries will be coming to Canada to study health, physical education and recreation as part of Canada's contribution to the International Co-operation Year Programme. The Minister of National Health and Welfare, Miss Judy LaMarsh, recently announced that a special one-year course in various aspects of physical education, coaching and recreation would be offered to foreign students. The offer is the result of a joint project planned by her department's Fitness and Amateur Sport Directorate and the Canadian Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation (CAHPER).

SUBJECTS OF STUDY

Under the national fitness and amateur sport programme, CAHPER will receive \$25,000 to bring to Canada at least 20 students from developing countries, who will spend one academic year studying a wide range of courses. The choices available to them will include the organization of recreation programmes, the organization and administration of school physical education, the study of performance skills in sports and recreational activities, coaching and group leadership, health education, life-saving, first aid, and the maintenance of equipment and facilities.

At the end of the academic year, the students will attend sports-training clinics such as the Canadian Legion track and field clinics. They will also study leadership training in recreational fields supported by the national fitness programme.

This programme will be open to male and female students from English-speaking and French-speaking countries. It is expected that students will go individually or in groups of two or three to various Canadian universities. The first to study under the new programme should arrive in Canada late this summer.
