

staff and visited the Canadian Forces Base at North Bay, Ontario, the Nuclear Power Generating Station at Pickering, Ontario, the Collège Militaire Royal at Saint-Jean, Quebec, and Fort Louisbourg, Nova Scotia.

Malaysia's Permanent Secretary for Defence, Mr. Enche A.B. Samad Noor, accompanied by five senior defence officials, visited Canada from May 24 to June 5.

In Ottawa the group met with Mr. Elgin B. Armstrong, Deputy Minister of National Defence, Chief of Defence Staff, General F.R. Sharp and other senior defence officials.

They held meetings with officials of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce and the Department of External Affairs and toured defence facilities and industrial plants in Toronto and Montreal, Quebec City, Trenton and Borden.

CANADIAN FORCES SUPPORT STAFF BADGES

Doctors, lawyers, chaplains and dentists in the Canadian Forces have been authorized new cap and lapel badges.

Medical services will wear an oval-shaped badge with gold maple-leaves surrounding the serpent-entwined Rod of Aesculapius surmounted by the Royal Crown. The Rod of Aesculapius signifies the power of healing.



The legal officers' badge contains a blunt Sword of Mercy and the Royal Crown of St. Edward above the inscription *Fiat Justitia* (Let Justice Be Done).

Chaplains will wear a purple oval within a wreath of maple-leaves with the Latin cross beneath the Crown. The Latin cross denotes Christianity.

The dental services' badge is the Greek symbol Delta, signifying dentistry, The Rod of Aesculapius and a "Crusader" sword, emblematic of healing and the military aspects of the dental services.

These new badges, designed to be worn with a new green uniform, will be issued later this year.

LARGE-SCALE MINERAL PROSPECTING

Mr. Jean Chrétien, Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, has announced that mineral exploration rights on 54 prospecting permit areas, covering 8.7 million acres in the Northwest Territories, have been granted this year by his Department under the authority of the Canada Mining Regulations. The permits which are issued annually are effective April 1 and are valid for three years.

The permits granted this year, together with a large number granted in 1969, reflect a new interest by mining and oil companies in a search for minerals in the Melville Peninsula and the central Keewatin region of the Northwest Territories and the Arctic islands. In particular, the companies are searching for base metals and uranium.

Prospecting permits are granted to encourage large-scale and well-planned reconnaissance exploration of remote areas on a basis of guaranteed work performance.

Mining and oil companies to whom the permits have been granted will spend a minimum of \$870,000 in first year explorations.

Mr. Chrétien said he was confident that exploration activity in 1970 could lead to major developments in these areas. New advances in transportation technology, he said, would soon make the mineral wealth of Canada's Arctic more accessible to world markets.

THEOLOGY SCHOOLS MERGE

"The most dramatic new clustering development in the last year" — that is the description by the American Association of Theological Schools of the first experiment in co-operative theological education in Canada, finishing its first year in Toronto.

Seven institutions, three Catholic, two Anglican and two Protestant, have collaborated under the name of the Toronto School of Theology, and, although each college maintains its identity and grants its own degrees, all courses in all colleges are open to students from all the other colleges.

The institutions involved are St. Michael's College, St. Augustine's College, and Regis College, Catholic; Trinity College and Wycliffe College, Anglican; Emmanuel College, United; Knox College, Presbyterian.

The Registrar, Father Hochban says he believes it is the only such "cluster" that has a common timetable. A single timetable, followed by all the colleges, was not too difficult to set up, he said, because five of the institutions are very close to one another on the University of Toronto campus. Next year the Divinity School at McMaster University is going to participate in a small way.

Father Hochban says the results from the first year have been astonishing — everybody connected with the experiment has found it excellent.