

The lynx cat and bobcat, or wild cat, are sub-species of the lynx. In Canada they are found mainly in the forested areas of central and southern British Columbia and in some parts of the Eastern provinces. Smaller than the lynx, but similar in appearance, their fur is usually reddish-brown with dark spots on the flanks and underside. The tail has several dark bars on top and the tip is black on top only, while the lynx has a full black tip.

Like the lynx, these sub-species are shy and seldom seen by hunters. They usually remain in their dens during daylight hours. Their diet consists almost entirely of small animals, game birds and their eggs. They seldom attack livestock.

(This article is one of a series on the Canadian fur industry, and fur-bearing animals.)

### FORESTRY LOAN TO MALAYSIA

Canada will provide Malaysia with assistance in examining the forest resources of Sabah, its easternmost state, in the form of a loan of \$620,000 on concessional terms and a \$200,000-grant to finance a ground inventory of forests and an economic study of various methods of using them. A previous grant of \$200,000 provided for an aerial survey of the state by Canadians.

Malaysia is trying to diversify its exports beyond the familiar rubber and tin. Tropical hardwoods from Sabah are already in demand but, until an accurate forest inventory is taken and long-range policies are determined, Malaysian authorities cannot proceed with the development of the state's main resource.

The Sabah plan will be an integral part of a major project of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization, under the United Nations Development Program, to help Malaysia formulate a general policy for the forest resources of Sabah, Sarawak and West Malaysia. Canadian support and participation will provide an inventory based on aerial and ground reconnaissance and a study of alternative forest policies, suitable management techniques, and estimated manpower requirements. The project is expected to have a very substantial impact on Malaysian development.

### NEW DUTIES FOR CYPRUS FORCE

The Canadian contingent serving with the United Nations Force in Cyprus has been given a new assignment.

The Canadians, who have patrolled the Kyrenia district in northwestern Cyprus since 1964, replace the Danish and Finnish contingents deployed around

the capital city of Nicosia.

The move, which is part of a general re-deployment of UN contingents now under way, is designed to increase the operational effectiveness of the Cyprus peacekeeping force.

The Canadian reconnaissance platoon, which has supervised the daily convoy of Greek Cypriot vehicles through the Turkish enclave between Nicosia and Kyrenia, and handled patrol duties in the Kyrenia area, will man observation posts in the Nicosia region.

The new duties will not affect the strength of the Canadian contingent in Cyprus. The Canadian force now on the island is the Gagetown-based 2nd Battalion, The Black Watch (RHC), with a strength of some 500 officers and men.

The Finnish contingent will move to the Kyrenia area; the Danes will relieve the Irish contingent in the Lefka district and the latter will move into the Larnaca and Kophinou areas.

### NATIONAL BALLET AT EXPO 70

The National Ballet of Canada will be the only ballet company to appear at Expo 70 in Osaka, Japan.

The company will perform its full-length *Roméo and Juliet* by John Cranko, and a mixed program, when it appears at the international fair during Canada Week from May 24 to 29. Ballets in the second program are *Four Temperaments*, by George Balanchine, *Le Loup*, by Roland Petit and *Solitaire*, by Kenneth MacMillan.

The National Ballet of Canada is appearing as part of the classics entertainment of Expo 70 and is under the sponsorship of the National Arts Centre. The company is also sponsored by the Japan Association for the 1970 World Exposition and in Canada by the Department of External Affairs and the Canadian Participation in the 1970 World Exposition, which is part of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

The company will perform *Roméo and Juliet* on May 24, 25 and 26 and the mixed program on May 28 and 29. The Osaka Philharmonic Orchestra will provide the musical accompaniment. All performances will be held in the Festival Theatre in downtown Osaka.

To celebrate Canada Day, May 27, the Canadian Government has requested the company to give a special performance on the Expo site; artists of the National Ballet of Canada will dance a waltz from *Swan Lake* to music provided by the band of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Sixty dancers and 22 members of staff will leave Toronto for Osaka by air on May 19 and will return on June 1.