

Canada/U.S. nuclear co-operation

An interim agreement signed on November 15 by Secretary of State for External Affairs Don Jamieson and United States Ambassador Thomas Enders, meets the immediate requirements of both countries and will permit continued nuclear co-operation and trade between Canada and the U.S.

The pact, embodied in an exchange of notes, allows Canadian uranium to be used in U.S. civil nuclear reactors, complementing provisions of the 1955 Canada/U.S. Nuclear Co-operation Agreement and an exchange of notes on this subject in March 1976. The new interim accord will remain in force until a new agreement, for which negotiations will begin immediately, is signed.

In the pact, the U.S. "acknowledges Canada's leadership role in matters of non-proliferation". The text also refers to both countries' commitment to peaceful uses of materials transferred under the agreement and to the application of international safeguards, provisions consistent with Canadian requirements on reprocessing or retransfer from one country of nuclear material originating in the other; and the United States' awareness that exports from Canada of technology and certain items of equipment will take place only under safeguards, and that provisions dealing with these matters will form part of the negotiation of the new co-operation agreement.

Concerning Canadian material transferred from the U.S. to third countries, there is provision for the application of Canadian controls before the U.S. agrees to the third country retransferring or re-processing the material.

Grey Cup contestants

At press time, Edmonton Eskimos and Montreal Alouettes were the two teams preparing to play in the Grey Cup championship at Olympic Stadium, Montreal on November 27. Edmonton defeated the British Columbia Lions 38-1 in the Western Conference final on November 20 and Montreal beat Ottawa Rough Riders 21-18 in the Eastern final on November 19.

The previous weekend in the Grey Cup semi-finals, Ottawa beat Toronto 21-16 and B.C. defeated Winnipeg 33-32.

Skate Canada medallists

Toronto skaters Heather Kemkaran, Lorna Wighton and John Dowding won bronze medals at Skate Canada held this year in Moncton, New Brunswick from October 27 to 30.

Miss Kemkaran placed third after Linda Fratianne and Lisa Marie Allen, both of the United States, in the ladies' singles event; Miss Wighton and Mr. Dowding were third in the ice-dancing competition after Janet Thompson and Warren Maxwell of Britain and Marina Zueva and Andrei Vitman of the U.S.S.R.

The Skate Canada story

This year's Skate Canada continues a tradition started in Calgary, Alberta, in 1973 by the Canadian Figure Skating Association. At that time the Association sought to establish, for the first time in North America, an annual figure-skating competition which would attract leading skaters who compete at world championship level.

After Calgary, the competition was held in Kitchener, Ontario, in 1974, Edmonton, Alberta, in 1975 and in Ottawa in 1976.

While Skate Canada is not a qualifying event for national or world level of competition, it is one of several invitational competitions such as Moscow Skate, the Richmond Trophy (London, England), the Nevelhorn Trophy (Oberstdorf, West Germany) and the St. Gervais Grand Prix (France). These interna-



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Heather Kemkaran

tional competitions provide the experience and exposure essential to competitors to prepare them for world championships.

The 1977 skaters came from the Soviet Union, Poland, Sweden, France, Italy, Czechoslovakia, Finland, West Germany, Austria, Britain, Japan and the United States. Each participating country is invited to send one judge and Canada provides three. Two of the referees were from Europe and one from Canada. All officials hold appointments from the International Skating Union, the world governing body.

While Skate Canada does not include a pair-skating event, pair skating is featured in exhibition performances. This year, both the world pair champions Irina Rodnina and Aleksandr Zaitsev from the U.S.S.R. and the U.S. pair champions Tai Babilonia and Randy Gardner were the guest skaters.



Crombie McNeill

Lorna Wighton and John Dowding

Northwest Passage solo trip

The following article was written by Alyn Edwards, correspondent for Canadian Scene.

Dutch-born world adventurer Willy de Roos sailed into Vancouver Harbour on October 18 where he was greeted by a flotilla of private yachts and given an official welcome from Port Manager Fred Spoke and Vancouver Mayor Jack Volrich. Later that night, de Roos was