

Canada hosts United Nations Economic Commission energy meeting

Energy Considerations in the Planning and Development of Human Settlements, a seminar sponsored by the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (ECE), will be held in Ottawa from October 3 to 14.

The ECE, a regional body of the UN, encompassing all the countries of Europe and the United States and Canada, was formed in March 1947, to assist in the economic reconstruction of Europe, raise the level of economic activity and strengthen the economic relations of European countries.

Three years ago, Canada became an active member of the organization which will discuss the long-term impact of energy considerations in the planning, construction and improvement of human

settlements.

Participants will be asked to consider the design measures that should be taken to improve thermal performance of new buildings and to explore better insulation measures, use of solar energy, heat pumps and changes in window design. They will also consider methods of reducing energy consumption in existing buildings and discuss the feasibility of building a district heating system in new subdivisions or communities to achieve energy economy and efficiency.

About 300 participants from 34 member nations of the ECE — as well as a number of international organizations — are expected to attend the October seminar, being prepared by Urban Affairs and Central Mortgage and Housing.

Chief Justice of Canada visits Australia and New Zealand



Bora Laskin, Canada's Chief Justice (third left), tours the construction site of the High Court of Australia with (from left to right) architect H. Marelli; First Assistant Secretary, Attorney-General's Office, H.T. Bennett; and Acting Canadian High Commissioner, H.R. Morgan. Mr. Laskin, accompanied by his wife, was in Australia recently as guest speaker at the annual convention of the Law Society of Australia in Sydney. They also visited Canberra and Melbourne before going on to New Zealand. In Canberra, the Chief Justice and Mrs. Laskin were guests of honour at a dinner given by Attorney-General Ellicott, attended by many senior members of the legal profession and judiciary. The following day, Australia's Governor General, Sir John Kerr, gave a lunch in their honour.

New chairman for CRTC

Pierre Camu was recently named Chairman of the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission, effective October 1.

Mr. Camu's service with the Government began in 1949 when he joined the Department of Mines and Technical Surveys, Geographical Division. From 1956 to 1960, he was professor of economic geography and Director of the Research Centre of the Faculty of Commerce at Laval University. He was appointed Vice-President of the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority in 1960, and served as President from 1965. While in that capacity, Mr. Camu was also appointed Administrator, Canadian Marine Transportation Administration in the Ministry of Transport.

In 1973 Mr. Camu resigned as President of the St. Lawrence Seaway Authority to assume his present position of President and General Manager of the Canadian Association of Broadcasters.

Historic tent

It's getting a bit tattered and torn, and leaks just a wee bit, so the Boy Scouts of Streetly, England would be willing to exchange their tent for a new one. Scout Leader J.C. Bottrell is looking to Canada for a possible "exchange" as the scouts lack the funds to purchase a replacement.

For the threadbare bell tent of the 1st Streetly Scout Group originally belonged to the Canadian Army — in the First World War.

The old tent may even have sentimental or historical value. Inscribed on one of the panels is "A" Company, 101 Battalion, Winnipeg, Manitoba, along with the date 1919. A list of tent-mates follows: W. Wilson, W.G. Rogers, J.S. McInnes, H.T. Nicholls, A. Terrace, E.M. Wilson, J.C. Stuart, J.C. Mayrs, E. Williams, G. Ande, C.E.W. Rogers, A. Jack, S.K. Hunter, G. Gray.

"Maybe," said Scout Leader Bottrell, "one of them eventually made Field Marshall."

The 101st Battalion has since become the Royal Winnipeg Rifles.

The Canadian War Museum in Ottawa, which is interested in acquiring the relic, hopes to arrange an exchange of some sort.