The year 1981 in pictures - so vents on the Canadian scene

Photos (left to right, top row): . Canada's space arm, the Canadarm, successfully performed a series of tests during the second flight of the United States' space shuttle, Columbia. Astronauts Joe Engle and Dick Truly conducted the tests on the \$100-million remote manipulator system that took eight years to develop. Canadarm, designed by the National Research Council of Canada, was built by Spar Aerospace Limited of Toronto. • Michael Warren took over as the president of the new Canada Post Corporation. The changeover from a federal government department into a Crown corporation was a first. Canada's Wonderland in Maple near Toronto opened in May. Considered by some to be the Disneyland of the North, the park's central feature is a manmade mountain surrounded by 360 acres of fantasy. Thérèse Casgrain, a pioneer of women's rights in Quebec and an activist for Canadian unity, died at the age of 85. Mrs. Casgrain was the first member of the New Democratic Party to be named to the Senate. (Middle row): King Hussein of Jordan, accompanied by Queen Noor, visited Canada where he met with Governor General Schreyer and Prime Minister Trudeau. The visit was the third to Canada by the Jordanian King in seven years. Canada will open an embassy in Amman, Jordan in the coming vear. Les Bons Débarras (Good Riddance) starring Marie Tifo swept the Academy of Canadian Cinema awards. The Frenchlanguage film, dealing with a relationship between a mother and her possessive daughter, won eight Genies. Miss Tifo won the award for best actress, with the film also taking honours for best supporting actor and best director. • United States President Ronald Reagan visited Ottawa, his first trip abroad after assuming office. Prime Minister Trudeau and President Reagan met for talks on international and bilateral issues. Mr. Reagan also addressed a joint session of the House of Commons and Senate. The visit included the signing of Canada-United States agreements on the North American Aerospace Defence Command and on social secu-



rity. . Calgary was named the site of the 1988 Olympics by the International Olympic Association. The city had bid unsuccessfully for the 1964 and 1968 Winter Games. The Olympic village will be located at the University of Calgary while the city will build an 18,000-seat Olympic Coliseum to house the hockey and figure-skating events. Alpine skiing events will take place on Mount Sparrowhawk and Mount Shark in the Rocky Mountains just west of the city. (Bottom row): . Chief Justice Bora Laskin announced the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada on the federal government's constitutional resolution. Following the decision, a federalprovincial constitutional conference was held at which the federal government and nine of ten provinces agreed on a compromise that would give Canada an independent Constitution after 114 years of nationhood. The constitutional resolution has since been passed by the House of Commons and Senate and is awaiting consideration by the British Parliament. • Fourteen-year-old Tracey Wainman of Toronto won two international figure skating competitions in a row. The Canadian senior women's figure skating champion took gold medals in the women's singles competitions at Skate Canada and at the St. Ivel competition in England. . The leaders of Canada, the United States, France, Germany, Japan, Britain and Italy met in Ottawa in July for the 1981 Economic

Summit. The leaders of the seven industrial nations met to discuss major economic issues confronting Western nations, including inflation, international trade, energy and the North-South dialogue. The year 1981 was proclaimed the International Year of Disabled Persons by the United Nations. Canada's federal and provincial governments participated by

setting up programs and projects to help educate the public about the problems of the handicapped. A special parliamentary committee on the disabled made recommendations to improve the scope of existing government programs.