

Canada, FAO to develop South China Sea fishery

Canada is to help the United Nation's Food and Agriculture Organization develop the fishing industry of the South China Sea region. Through an agreement signed in May by Canadian International Development Agency President Paul Gérin-Lajoie and FAO Deputy Director-General Roy Jackson, a \$2.8-million four-year Canadian grant will be used to finance trial commercial fishing for open sea species that are still available in quantity (anchovy, sardine, round scad, mackerel, tuna and other schooling surface fish).

The catch will be sold in the markets of countries in the region — the Khmer Republic, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Indonesia and Hong Kong, whose 235 million people are among the world's leading consumers of fish. Catch levels and marketing results will be studied to establish the optimum size and location for potential fishing industries.

The FAO fishery program in the region is designed to help its countries meet their food-fish requirements through more efficient fishing techniques. It involves development and management of open sea and ground fisheries, and expansion of crustacean, mollusc and fish-farming production. Although the region's total catch has been growing by 9.6 per cent, it is still too low to give people enough



calories and proteins. The gap between actual food-fish supply in 1970 and projected need in 1980 is estimated at 2.1 million tons per year — or twice Canada's total production.

The FAO asked Canada to take part because of its industry's competence and versatility in harvesting a wide variety of coastal and offshore resources, using equipment and methods readily adapted to developing countries.

The Fisheries and Marine Service of the Department of Environment has been helping to locate appropriate Canadian resources.

Cross Canada walker gets in shape

After a 100-mile walk that took 20 hours, Chief Warrant Officer Philippe Latulippe, 55, of Canadian Forces Base Toronto says, "Next year it's across Canada."

Canadian Forces and Defence and Civil Institute of Environmental Medicine doctors who monitored the endurance test, which was to promote physical fitness, reported that Latulippe was in fine shape and didn't even have sore feet.

CWO Latulippe explains his reason for attempting the marathon as a desire to show everyone that if a 55-year-old man can do it, anyone can.

The medical results may be used in the development of physical training techniques in the Canadian Forces.

CWO Latulippe, on retirement leave from the Canadian Armed Forces, has been a long-distance walker for seven years and has already set a world record by walking 300 miles in just over 77 hours.

He plans to walk across Canada to promote the 1976 Olympics.

New lease of life for old paddle boat

Meet the *Trillium* (picture (left) taken circa 1932), an old paddlewheeler steamer ferry that served on the short Toronto Islands service from 1910 until an honourable retirement in 1957. Visitors to Toronto should soon see her chubby frame again following a final series of tests on the vessel's structure and stability, aimed at restoring her to service.

Initial tests show that restoration is possible, using the present oak and pine hull, as well as the engine shafting and paddle wheels. The coal-burning furnace will be converted to an oil system, there will be new decks and superstructure. With a capacity of 1,250 passengers, the *Trillium* is expected to be put into service on busy holiday weekends. The wide decks also make her ideal for charter service.

When seaworthy, she will be the last steam-operated paddlewheeler on the Great Lakes, and one of the last on the whole North American continent. And apart from the obvious historical attraction, it would cost at least double the estimated restoration charges to build a new ferry.

