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Regina hosts international energy show and meeting

ENERGEX '82, an international energy show which will explore the technical, ^{economic} and human dimensions of ^{energy} self-reliance, will be held in Regina, Saskatchewan, August 23-29.

The show, sponsored by the University of Regina and more than 30 Canadian businesses, associations and government departments, will include a major energy exposition, technical conference, workshops and tours and is expected to attract more than 50 000 people.

The exposition component of ENER-GEX '82 will be one of the largest showplaces for energy and energy conservation developments ever held in Canada and will focus on energy conservation and production and consumption in such areas as oil, gas and nuclear energy.

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About 9 000 metres of display space at Regina's Exhibition Grounds will house the exhibits of practical hardware, services and research of energy suppliers, consultants, laboratories and government agencies.

Among the exhibitors at ENERGEX '82 will be Atomic Energy of Canada, Canadian Petroleum Association, the governments of Saskatchewan, Ontario and Quebec, TransCanada Telephone System, the federal department of Industry, Trade and Commerce and the University of Regina.

The eighth annual conference of the Solar Energy Society of Canada Incorporated (SESCI) will also be held during ENERGEX '82 at the University of Regina. It will feature internationally known speakers, including Ivan Head, president of the International Development Research Centre; Hazel Henderson, an American energy futurist; and J.H. Okwanyo, president of the first United Nations Conference on New and Renewable Energy Sources and Kenyan Minister of Energy. Former Ontario Liberal leader Stuart Smith will be the moderator of a panel discussion on the integration of new and renewable energies.

In addition, more than 20 technical sessions in such areas as photovoltaics, geothermal energy, low head hydro, wind power and biomass will be offered at the SESCI conference.

ENERGEX '82 will feature workshops on such topics as "Propane as a Transportation Fuel", "Energy Conserving Living", and "Retrofitting Your Home". A number of tours have also been planned, including a tour of Innovation Place in Saskatoon to view a planned industrial research and production facility; a trip to. see Saskatchewan Minerals Corporation surface mining of sodium sulphate salts and manufacturing of energy storage trays and fertilizers; and a tour of Saskatchewan Power Corporation coal drag lines and coal fueled power generating stations at Coronach and Boundary Dam.

Canadians play significant role at Pacific conference

The Pacific community concept (PCC) took another step forward at the Second PCC Conference held in Bangkok in June and a Canadian is among those leading the effort.

The four-day conference focused on the prospects for increased economic and social interaction among the countries surrounding the Pacific Rim. The meetings which drew together business, academic and government officials were under the chairmanship of Dr. Thanat Khoman, Thailand's Deputy Prime Minister and one of the earliest proponents of the notion of a Pacific Community.

The conference concluded that the existing bilateral and multilateral forums tended to be neither sufficient nor effective in dealing with the major pacific Basin.

Dr. H. Edward English, Professor of economics at Carleton University in Ottawa, described the situation as being one in which "the countries of the South trading potential can be most effectively developed while countries of the North is sound and clear ground rules which will stick".

In an effort to find solutions to these problems the PCC Conference created task forces with specific mandates to bring forward practical policy proposals at the next conference to be held in Jakarta in November 1983. The task forces will concentrate on labour intensive manufacturing trade, trade in primary agricultural products, and trade in minerals and investment and technology.

To oversee the efforts of the task forces and to present the findings at the

next conference an eight-man committee was formed including Eric Trigg, executive vice-president of the Aluminum Company of Canada.

Mr. Trigg described his selection as "significant in that Canada is represented at the ground floor level. This is especially important because of the increasingly significant role the Pacific plays in Canada both now and in the future".



(From left to right): Dr. H. Edward English, Carleton University; W.T. Delworth, Assistant Under-Secretary, Department of External Affairs; Dr. Thanat Khoman, Thailand's Deputy Prime Minister; and Eric Trigg, Executive Vice-President of Alcan.