

News briefs

The National Energy Board has approved an application by Union Gas Limited for a licence to export methane-rich synthetic natural gas purchased from its supplier, Petrosar Limited, to Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corporation of the United States, at a place on the international boundary line between Canada and the United States near Windsor, Ontario. The licence is for a daily volume of 1.1 million cubic metres and an average annual volume of 284 million cubic metres, to a total of 1.42 billion cubic metres during the term of the licence, which ends October 1985.

Saint John, New Brunswick, has been awarded the 1985 Canada Summer Games. The games will be the tenth staged since the first Winter Games were held in Quebec City in 1967. The games have been held every two years since, alternating between Winter and Summer Games.

Edward Arunah Dunlop of Toronto, former Managing Director of the Arthritis Society and President of the Toronto Sun Publishing Company Limited, has been named a Member of the Order of Canada by Governor-General Edward Schreyer. The Queen is the Sovereign of the Order which was established in 1967 to recognize outstanding achievement and service in various fields of human endeavour.

The Alberta seventy-fifth Anniversary Commission recently appointed four senior editors to oversee the publication of the *New Canadian Encyclopedia*, considered the largest publishing project of its kind in Canada. The \$4-million encyclopedia project, scheduled for publication in 1985, "will represent a new generation of Canadian scholarship and enquiry. It will differ greatly from the

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last similar work, produced in the 1950s," said editor-in-chief James Marsh.

Sifto Salt, a division of Domtar Inc. of Montreal, will move its head office to Toronto from Montreal next summer as part of a program aimed at increasing sales of rock salt to the central United States. Domtar spokesman John Gossip said the move coincides with a \$37-million expansion of Sifto's rock salt mine in Goderich, Ontario.

Canada had a tourism surplus of \$420 million in the third quarter, the biggest quarterly surplus in 13 years, Statistics Canada reports. The July-September result compares with a surplus of \$337 million last year.

The Export Development Corporation (EDC) and the Bank of Montreal has announced allocations totalling \$6.4 million (U.S.) under EDC's line of credit signed in March of this year with Industrial Menera Mexico S.A. (IMMSA) and its associated companies. The loan allocations support the sale of mining extraction and processing equipment from four Canadian exporters.

British Columbia plans to start creating a petrochemical industry with a \$2-billion series of plants to be built by a group made up of Canadian Occidental Petroleum Limited and Dome Petroleum Limited, both of Calgary, Westcoast Transmission Company Limited of Vancouver and Mitsubishi Corp. of Japan.

The end result could be such plastic raw materials as polyethylene, polyvinyl chloride, vinyl chloride and ethylene oxide.

John R.W. Whitehouse has been appointed Director of the Branch Office for Canada of the International Labour Organization (ILO). Mr. Whitehouse, a Canadian, has been head of the ILO's Workers' Education Branch at its Geneva, Switzerland, headquarters for the past six years.

Higher percentage salary increases in 1981 for most salaried personnel have been projected by a cross-section of Canadian companies, compared with their projections for this year, according to the annual survey of compensation adjustments by H.V. Chapman Consulting and Compensation Limited, a Toronto-based management consultant firm. Salary increases for management, supervisory and other salaried staff categories are expected to average 10.5 per cent in 1981, up from an average projected increase of 9.4 per cent this year.

The Prince Edward Island Cabinet met recently by candlelight with a committee of business and municipal leaders of Summerside. The meeting was held by candlelight in a restaurant normally lit electrically, but which turned off the lights as part of an international energy competition involving 11 New England and Atlantic Canadian towns.



Roger Doucet is congratulated by Montreal Canadiens' hockey player Serge Savard (right), Expos's baseball catcher Gary Carter (centre) and Montreal Alouettes' football player Gerry Dattilio (left) in a recent ceremony at the Montreal Forum. It was a night of tribute to Montreal's popular singer of the national anthem for the past ten years.