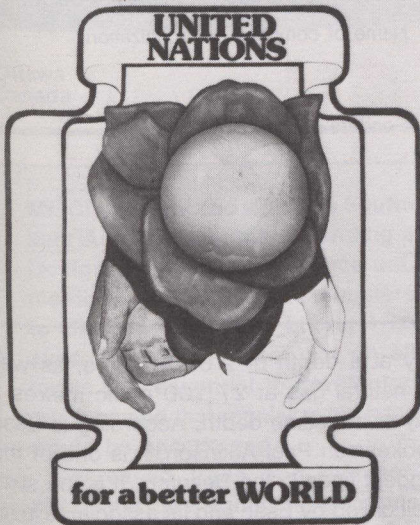


Winning poster



Canada's entry in the United Nation's international poster competition to celebrate this year's fortieth anniversary of the signing of the Charter of the United Nations, was selected from more than 950 submissions by two internationally known Canadians, photographer Youssef Karsh and painter Henri Masson. The poster will be hung with the winning posters from the other countries during the commemorative General Assembly, October 24, in New York.

Ontario business centre

The first business self-help centre in the province of Ontario has been established in Kitchener. It will provide "one-stop shopping" from information on good management techniques to government assistance programs to aspiring entrepreneurs when they need help in starting their own business or maintaining their current business.

The Kitchener centre is one of several that will be established across Ontario during the next three years to assist small business people in non-manufacturing sectors. They will be keyed particularly to the requirements of women and young people going into business for themselves.

"Last year, women started 11 000 small businesses in Ontario," said Minister of Industry and Trade Andy Brandt. "They are an increasingly important factor, and one that we want to encourage as much as we can," he added. "As well, we are now seeing more young people than ever before interested in starting and running a small business and we are concentrating on helping them too," he said.

Specifically, the centres will provide advice on developing a business plan; a variety of resource material relating to starting and running a successful small business; detailed information on assistance programs that are available from all levels of government; and seminars on management techniques for small business people.

Queen Mother visits



Prime Minister Brian Mulroney walks with the Queen Mother as she greets spectators in Ottawa at the outset of her July 12-19 visit to Canada. In Toronto, she attended the one-hundred-and-twenty-sixth running of the Queen's Plate horse race; in Regina, she participated in the eightieth anniversary celebrations of the province of Saskatchewan. During her last stop in Edmonton, Alberta, she attended the fifth annual world Aberdeen Angus Forum, a major cattle show.

Major export award

The SNC Group, a leading Canadian engineer-constructor, received the Export Grand Prize at the Export Gala 1985 held in Montreal on May 24.

The gala paid tribute to efforts undertaken to win foreign markets and publicly recognized the merit and success of those companies that have distinguished themselves by their export accomplishments. Co-operating sponsors of the gala were the World Trade Centre in Montreal, where the gala was held, Air Canada and Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec.

The SNC Group, which is engaged in large projects nationally and internationally, was the winner of the Canada Export Award in 1983. One of The SNC Group's recent major overseas contracts was the \$1.3 billion Chamara hydroelectric project in India, signed by a consortium of SNC/ACRES, Canadian General Electric and Marine Industries. (See *Canada Weekly*, October 24, 1984.)



From left: Jacques E. Lefebvre, vice-president of public affairs with the SNC Group; Jean Campeau, vice-president and general manager of La Caisse de dépôt et de placement du Québec; Bernard Landry, minister of foreign trade of Quebec; Jean-Paul Gourdeau, president of The SNC Group; and André Vallerand, president of the Montreal World Trade Centre, at the Export Gala 1985.