

l'amiante qui se tiendra à Montréal les 25, 26 et 27 mai 1982.

#### SOME RECENT CANADIAN OPINIONS

The Gallup Poll of Canada reports that 45% of Canadians today remain optimistic about a higher standard of living, but that more than in the past (29% up from 26%) believe their standard of living is going down. Residents of Ontario and British Columbia appear to be least confident, while Quebecers tend to be the most optimistic (55% expect a higher standard of living in the future).

The same organization has determined that the percentage of Canadians who believe that married women with children should work outside the home has risen by 7 percentage points since 1980 to 38%. In 1960 only 5% of the population agreed with this proposal. The proportion who disagree has dropped from 93% in 1960 to 54% in 1982. An overwhelming majority (86%) feels that married women with no children should work outside the home, and only 8% disagree.

#### L'ENERGIE SE TROUVE PARTOUT

Des chercheurs de l'Institut de recherches techniques et de statistiques du ministère de l'Agriculture effectuent des études sur les possibilités qu'offrent les mauvaises herbes en tant que sources énergétiques, chimiques et alimentaires. Le but de cette recherche est d'accroître les possibilités d'approvisionnement en carburant, ainsi que de créer et de diversifier les marchés des aliments pour le bétail, des fibres et des produits pétroliers tirés de ces cultures.

#### FASHIONS FOR NEXT AUTUMN AND WINTER

The Canadian fashion industry recently exhibited their wares for potential foreign buyers at the Canadian Outerwear Fashion Fair held in Winnipeg, Manitoba. One-hundred Canadian exhibitors displayed their fall and winter clothes and accessories for buyers coming primarily from the United States, Europe and Japan. The fair, which was first held two years ago, included leathers, suedes, sheepskin, down-filled fabrics, tweeds, wools, ski and other sportswear such as co-ordinate outfits for men and women and men's clothing such as slacks, suits, shirts and accessories.

