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Poland and other states of Eastern Europe. We reject this position. The political configuration of Eastern Europe is not immutable. The Final Act held out the prospect of peaceful change, and of the development of a constructive understanding in East-West relations. The U.S.S.R. has no right to interfere in the national political and social development of any country. Such action is contrary to the spirit of the Final Act.

The Soviet Union denies it has played a direct role in events in Poland but we see otherwise. The Soviet Union cannot deny that twice in the last year, in an obvious effort to intimidate its neighbour, Soviet forces held unusually large exercises

close to the Polish border. The political message was obvious to all. The Soviet Union cannot deny that for months prior to the imposition of martial law, the government-controlled Soviet media undertook a strident propaganda campaign designed to create national antipathy towards the Polish people and to intimidate their efforts to reconstruct their social system.

The Soviet Union must cease its interference. The events in Poland were counselled, induced and abetted by Soviet actions. The threat of direct intervention remains. I call on the Soviet Union to honour its international commitments and allow the Polish people their inalienable right to pursue a policy of national renewal and reconstruction without threat or menace....

News briefs

General Motors of Canada Limited of Oshawa, Ontario reduced its retail car and truck prices by amounts ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 beginning February 1 for 60 days. The reductions will be in the form of cash allowances paid to retail purchasers of certain 1981 and 1982 GM passenger cars and light-duty trucks. In addition, GM will pay a cash bonus to individual customers who have taken deli-

very on cars or trucks that are part of the program since January 13.

Viewscan Limited of Toronto, Ontario has been awarded a nine-month contract worth \$71,000 by the federal Department of Public Works to make the scan converter it developed for use in thermographic detection of heat loss from buildings.

The federal government plans to produce detailed nautical charts of Lake Manitoba, charts considered vital to de-

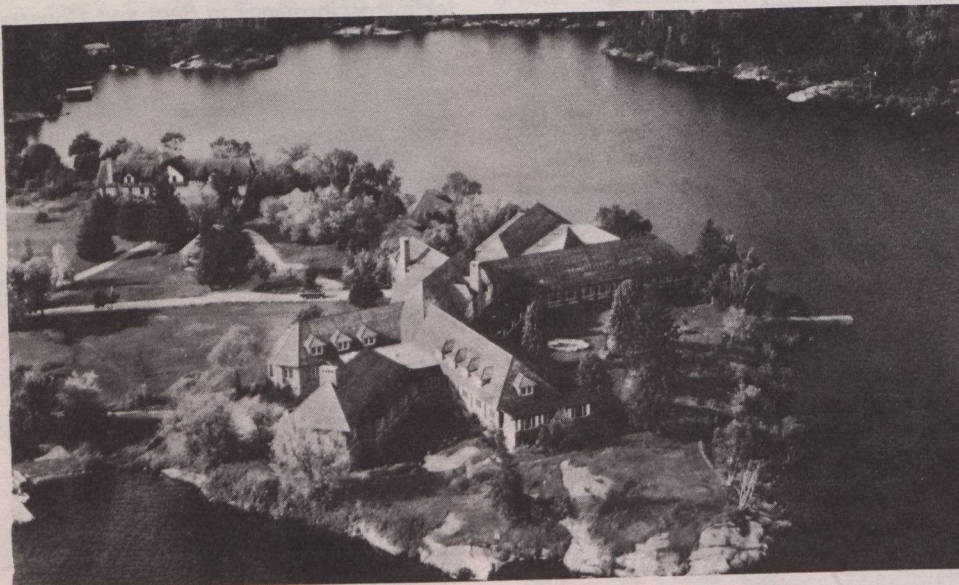
velopment of the region's tourism potential. The Canadian Hydrographic Service (CHS), part of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, has awarded a \$2.5-million contract to Marinav Corporation of Ottawa to conduct a three-year survey of the lake. It is the largest such project to be carried out by private industry for the CHS.

The Canadian Wheat Board is offering a bonus to farmers who grow more grains covered by its quota system next year. The bonus will be in the form of added delivery opportunities for those who reduce acreages devoted to special crops and summerfallow (land left out of production for one year, to control weeds and conserve moisture). The next quota policy goes into effect August 1.

The Royal Bank of Canada, the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and the Toronto-Dominion Bank are jointly financing an \$80-million (U.S.) medium-term loan to Embraer in Brazil to build 30-passenger twin-engine Brasilia aircraft. The Royal Bank is the agent for the loan, which is guaranteed by the Brazilian government.

The Export Development Corporation has signed a \$10-million (U.S.) line of credit agreement with Interbanca Banco Per Finanziamenti A Medio Lungo Termine S.p.A. (Interbanca) of Italy. The line of credit is intended to assist Canadian exporters competing for sales in Italy by providing Italian buyers with a simple and easily accessible credit facility through Interbanca.

Eleven grants for health research and related activities amounting to \$192,287 have been awarded to university researchers. The funds are available through the Health and Welfare Canada's national health research and development program.



Ontario Minaki Lodge, once an elegant resort, is being restored for its grand re-opening next summer. Located near the northernmost tip of Lake of the Woods, the main lodge of the 45-hectare (100-acre) resort will feature 120 elegant guest rooms and suites plus a library, ballroom, meeting rooms, cocktail lounge, restaurant, indoor pool and a theatre-style conference centre. Minaki Lodge, a resort and conference centre, will be managed by Radisson Hotels of Canada and is owned by Minaki Lodge Resort Limited, Toronto, an operation of the Ontario government.

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