

Canada/U.S. agree on Poplar River water quality

Canada and the United States have submitted a joint Reference to the International Joint Commission to undertake a study of water quality in the Poplar River, on which the Saskatchewan Power Corporation is currently constructing a thermal power station. The province of Saskatchewan participated in the development of the terms of the Reference. The report of the Commission is to be based upon the plans of the Corporation for a 600-megawatt facility.

Under the Reference, the Commission has been requested to examine and report upon the water quality of the Poplar River, and the implications of the power station and its ancillary works, including coal mining. It has been asked to make recommendations to assist governments in ensuring that the provisions of the Boundary Waters Treaty are honoured. The report should be available for government perusal by December 1978.

Canadian and United States authorities

have already established an international water-quality monitoring network in the Poplar River Basin. The Saskatchewan Power Corporation has undertaken to comply with the Boundary Waters Treaty and to carry out a wide range of water-quality studies, which will be of use to the Commission in its study.

Refugees from Indo-China

After consultations with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on the continuing exodus of people from Vietnam, Canada will accept an additional 450 Indo-Chinese refugees.

Most of the exiles have endured extreme physical hardships in escaping from Vietnam and are now being held in primitive camps with no prospects for local resettlement.

Canada has approved the admission of 428 "small-boat escapees" since January 1976. A total of 6,700 Indo-Chinese refugees have been admitted to Canada since the special movement began in May 1975.

Food scientist honoured

Joseph H. Hulse, director of the Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Sciences Division of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC), Ottawa, received the International Award of the Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) in Chicago. Hulse is the second Canadian to receive this award, given each year to an IFT member who has made outstanding efforts to promote the international exchange of ideas and understanding in food technology. The first Canadian winner was Dr. R.A. Chapman, formerly Associate Minister of Health and Welfare Canada, in acknowledgment of his work with the World Health Organization.

The International Award, consisting of \$1,000 and a silver salver, is provided by the Australian Chapter of this international scientific organization.

The Institute's 16,000 members (from 99 countries) are professionals concerned with the science and technology of food and work within academic, industrial or government institutions.

Paris International Air Show: Canadian display attracts orders

More than 70 orders for the executive jet, the *Challenger*, have been placed by international buyers as a result of Canada's participation in the thirty-second Paris International Air Show at Le Bourget, France in June. Highlighting Canada's presence were flying demonstrations of the Dash-7 STOL airliner. There was also a full scale mock-up of the *Challenger*, which is now entering the pre-production phase and will fly in early 1978. First deliveries are scheduled for the second quarter of 1979. With a range of over 4,000 nautical miles at 49,000 feet, the *Challenger* will fly faster and farther than any other business aircraft.

Canada's aerospace industry, which exports about 75 per cent of its output, has much to offer in the areas of product innovation, sub-contracting facilities, and in competitive support services.

The CL-215, said to be the world's first specially designed water bomber for forest firefighting, is used in Greece, France and Spain as well as in Canada. The *Super Buffalo*, successor to the famous DHC-5 *Buffalo* STOL military transport, is now in production for deli-

very to foreign air forces.

Also supplied by Canada to world markets are utility aircraft for a variety of commercial and military roles. More than 530 turbo-prop *Twin Otters* are in

service in 57 countries.

Canada, with the second largest civil air fleet in the world, has developed an expert service industry used by an increasing number of manufacturers.



More than 70 firm orders have already been placed for the Challenger, the new executive jet aircraft manufactured by Canadair Limited of Montreal. A full size interior mock-up was displayed at the Paris Air Show.