

this new plan will achieve that objective. Thereby it will strengthen our national unity. It takes fully into account the jurisdiction and responsibilities of the provincial legislatures in the field of university education, while at the same time giving effect to the desire of Parliament and the Canadian people to see the universities of Canada assisted in their important work."

1960 STRATFORD MUSIC SEASON

A new production of "H.M.S. Pinafore," a continuation of the Musicians' Workshop, concerts by the National Festival Orchestra with Glenn Gould, Oscar Shumsky and Leonard Rose as resident artists, and an international conference of composers will be among the features of the 1960 Stratford Music Festival, according to Music Director Louis Applebaum.

The production of "Pinafore," one of the most popular Gilbert and Sullivan light operas, will be staged by Tyrone Guthrie, who returns to the Festival for the first time since 1957. Although Dr. Guthrie has not yet indicated what his approach to the work will be, it will open on July 15 in the Avon theatre and continue there for three full weeks. With sets and costumes designed by Brian Jackson and with musical accompaniment by the National Festival Orchestra under the direction of Mr. Applebaum, "Pinafore" is expected to have an even wider appeal than "Orpheus in the Underworld," which was presented during the 1959 Festival. Casting will begin within the next few weeks.

This will be the first time that Dr. Guthrie has undertaken a musical at the Stratford Festival, although he has won considerable international renown for his staging of opera at the Metropolitan in New York and at both Covent Garden and Sadlers' Wells in London. Three seasons ago he also directed a modern musical version of "Candide" on Broadway.

"Pinafore," will be presented in addition to Mr. Guthrie's production of Shakespeare's "King John," which will be staged in the Festival Theatre, where his previous productions have won acclaim since the beginning of the Festival in 1953.

CANADIAN EXPORTS IN 1959

With another substantial gain in December, Canada's total commodity exports in 1959 increased 5.1 per cent in value, to \$5,179,600,000 from \$4,928,300,000 in 1958, to reach a new record value for a year. The previous peak was \$4,934,400,000 in 1957, only slightly above the 1958 total.

Most of the gain in the 1959 total was owing to increased exports to the United States. These rose by \$292,200,000, or 10 per

cent, from \$2,914,700,000 in 1958 to a new record total of \$3,206,900,000. As in the case of total trade, the previous peak for shipments to the United States was 1957, when the value was \$2,941,700,000.

Total exports to the United Kingdom were also larger in the year, as the result of increases in November and December, totalling \$797,100,000 compared to \$781,000,000 and comparing with the peace-time peak of \$818,400,000 in 1956. Commodity exports to other Commonwealth countries declined moderately to \$277,500,000 from \$285,500,000 in 1958, and to all other countries were down to \$898,100,000 compared to \$947,100,000.

Total exports in December increased by 8.2 per cent to \$486,600,000 from \$449,700,000, and were at the highest value ever recorded for the month. Shipments were up in value to all main areas. Exports to the United States increased to \$285,300,000 from \$273,100,000 in December 1958, and to the United Kingdom to \$78,100,000 from \$68,300,000. There was a moderate gain to other Commonwealth countries to \$22,500,000 from \$20,000,000 and a substantial rise to all other countries to \$100,700,000 from \$88,300,000.

COMMONWEALTH SOCIAL RESEARCH

A Commonwealth Institute of Social Research is to be established in Ottawa as a centre for fundamental research in the social sciences and humanities and will serve the Commonwealth as a whole. The executive of the Institute is entirely Canadian and is composed largely of professors. Officers include the Hon. Mark R. Drouin, Honorary President; Dr. John E. Robbins, President; and Mr. Bernard Ostry, Executive Secretary-Treasurer. A small research and administrative staff will be appointed and a library and statistical laboratory are to be set up. Plans include the raising of a \$10-million endowment fund, to produce the required \$500,000 per year. It is hoped that the Institute will bring to Canada leading Commonwealth scholars and that it will enrich and strengthen cultural development throughout the Commonwealth.

ESKIMO-ENGLISH CIRCULAR

A "circular of enlightenment" is the way biologists of the Fisheries Research Board of Canada describe a publication soon to be issued by the Board's Arctic Unit. Handwritten in both the Eskimo and English languages, and illustrated with descriptive drawings, the circular explains to the Eskimo in his native language the work being done by the Fisheries Research Board to conserve the walrus, as well as pointing out ways the Eskimo can help the Board in this endeavour. For instance, the Eskimo is asked to take a