

10. The agreement between a network and its affiliate may provide for reserved time periods; but the affiliate may have only first option on any additional programmes offered to it by the network.

11. No network may have any exclusive contract to take programmes only from one programme supplier or non-Canadian network.

12. A network must observe those regulations of the Board which apply to stations; final responsibility for the programmes and programme policy of the network rests upon the network company.

COUNCIL AT RESOLUTE

When the Council of the Northwest Territories convened at Resolute in the High Arctic on July 11, it may have been meeting closer to the top of the world than any legislature had met before.

At a point just short of 75° north latitude, almost dead centre of the southern fringe of the Queen Elizabeth Islands, in a classroom where Eskimo children go to school most of the year, the presence of the Mace and a simple opening prayer by Commissioner Gordon Robertson served notice that the Queen's business was about to begin. The responsibilities of this "Parliament of the North" extend from Fort Smith on the Slave River to the islands with the royal name.

The choice of Resolute on Cornwallis Island only incidentally created a "first" for the Council. More significant was the reminder it gave of the changed estimate of a part of Canada that until a very few years ago was dismissed as empty, frigid and remote. The population is still light and the weather still cold, but the High Arctic will never again be remote. It lies on the route to the North Pole and Resolute is closer to those countries that lie across the Pole than it is to the capital of Canada.

PREHISTORIC SETTLEMENT

Resolute is important in the present tense; but it has a human past too. Though fewer than a hundred Eskimos live there now, four old village sites have led archaeologists to believe that there must have been three distinct stages of Eskimo occupation. Cornwallis Island was discovered by Parry in 1819 on his first voyage in search of a Northwest Passage. Resolute was named for HMS "Resolute", one of the ships that joined in the search for Sir John Franklin.

In 1949, as though to confirm Resolute's link with two worlds, the RCAF established a base there and a joint archaeological party from the Smithsonian Institution and the National Museum of Canada came looking for finds, which turned out to be so rich that they came again.

Today Resolute is the leading scientific station in the far north, a weather station and supply point for stations elsewhere in the High Arctic, and a base for the Polar Continental Shelf Project. Cornwallis Island, moreover, like the rest of the Queen Elizabeth Islands, is in an area of which more than 39 million acres are now under exploration for gas and oil. This alone makes the High Arctic of more than ordinary interest to members of the Territorial Council.

LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

The Commissioner presented ten bills for consideration. Of four new ordinances, the most important was a game ordinance that constituted the first major revision since 1953. Since it dealt with a resource that in the past had been a traditional mainstay to northerners (and still is to many), it was as basic a piece of legislation as any that the Council was concerned with. Reflecting changing trends was a revision taking into account the interests of young northerners going "outside" for special training or employment; it was designed to ensure that such absences should not invalidate their hunting and trapping privileges.

With legislation disposed of, the Commissioner sought advice on a matter close to the interests of growing northern communities - community centres. At present the only centre is at Frobisher Bay, a project sponsored by the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire in the interests particularly of the Eskimos resident there. The Council therefore considered to what extent the territorial government should encourage the setting up of centres in other localities.

The party visited Yellowknife and Cambridge Bay on the outward journey and returned by Inuvik.

EXPERIMENT AT STRATFORD

On Sunday, July 31, four leading members of the Stratford Festival Company, fresh from their opening-night triumphs onstage, will turn their talents to a new medium.

Julie Harris and Bruno Gerussi, the leads in "Romeo and Juliet", Douglas Rain, who plays the title role in "King John", and Douglas Campbell, director of "Midsummer Night's Dream" and a member of the cast of "Pinafore", will appear in a special Sunday concert in the Festival Theatre. They will take part in a new work for voice and orchestra, "Suite of Psalms", composed by John Cook. The concert will be conducted by Walter Susskind, the staging arranged by Douglas Campbell.

"Suite of Psalms", described as a cantata for the spoken word, is a work based upon items from the Coverdale Psalter, and was specially commissioned by the Festival for

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