

Staff members of the National Defense College of Canada (NDC) visited Malaysia and Singapore recently.

Major-General F. J. Norman is shown with Malaysian Armed Forces officers in Kuching, Sarawak.

Academia Fair

Canadian universities, colleges and schools were well represented at Academia '87, Malaysia's first international exhibition on educational institutions, held in late April at Kuala Lumpur's Changkat Pavilion.

Interest in Canadian universities and colleges was high now that fee hikes in other countries have made the cost of attending even Canada's best universities relatively inexpensive.

Educational ties between Malaysia and Canada stretch back more than three decades. During this time, over 52,000 Malaysians have been educated at Canadian institutions. While Malaysia's 3,000 students currently in Canada study subjects ranging across the whole arts and science spectrum, engineering, business studies and computer science are the most popular fields.

Further progress was made in Canada/ Malaysia science and technology co-operation with the March opening of the Malaysia Science Festival, which was formerly the Canadian Science Circus.

Following its sell-out run at the ASEAN Science and Technology Week, held in Kuala Lumpur last April, the Circus was acquired by Malaysia from the Ontario Science Centre with a grant provided by the Canadian International Development Agency.

Ontario Science Circus Finds New Home

Transfer of Canadian technology on designing and maintaining a sophisticated science education exhibit was a major part

of the package. A long term program of co-operation between the Ontario Science Centre and Malaysian educators will cover training sessions and the passing on of innovative approaches to exhibit design.

Over the next two years, the exhibit will be taken on tour enabling Malaysians across the country to enjoy this ingenious Canadian collection of hands-on displays of scientific and technological principles.



PHILIPPINES

Books from Canada

Residents of the improverished Philippine province Negros Occidental recently received some "food for the mind".

A book donation was successfully organized by Holly Ondrovcik, a Canadian Rotary Club Exchange Student who is spending the year in Negros, with the help of the Canadian Embassy.

The books, consisting of fiction, science, children's literature and other basic learning manuals for the young, were collected by the Canadian Organization for Development Through Education (formerly known as the Overseas Book Centre), and the Rotary Club of Woodstock, Ontario.



Holly Ondrovick (far right), and Canadian Ambassador R.H. Davidson help Negros officials and Rotary Club Officers unpack the more than 1,000 books.