

are heard clearly in Mexico, Central America, the Caribbean area and on the east coast of South America, but reception on the west coast of the southern continent is unsatisfactory because of inadequate transmitter power for broadcasts at this range. In 1969, in addition to commercial distribution by the Film Board itself, more than 50,000 screenings of NFB films were arranged by Canadian embassies in Latin America; the total number of viewers at these showings was more than seven million.

Harmonious Natural Environment

There is an increasing correspondence between Canadian and Latin American interests in this important field. The Latin American Nuclear-Free Zone affords some assurance that the western hemisphere will continue to be free of nuclear explosions in the atmosphere. The present oceanographic researches of the Canadian S.S. *Hudson*, in which scientists of several South American countries have been invited to participate, are increasing man's knowledge of the sea, the seabed and the nutrients and biological life to be found in the oceans. The expedition is also conducting investigations on both the east and west coasts of South America as well as along the west, north and east coasts of Canada, thus making possible comparisons of sea life in the two hemispheres—e.g., in the Chilean fjords as compared with fjords of British Columbia. Most countries of South and Central America maintain a lively interest in the ecology of coastal waters, which corresponds to Canada's interest in conservation of the resources off its coasts. There is also a certain correspondence with Canadian interest in effective measures to control pollution in the waters of the Arctic archipelago. In regard to the Arctic and the Antarctic generally, there is already some communication between Canadian scientists and scientists in Chile and Argentina.

Social Justice

While the form of government and the kind of social organization existing within a national state is the prerogative of that state, reciprocal influences between states are nowadays increasingly strong. This is as true in the western hemisphere as elsewhere in the world. Canadians are increasingly conscious of political and social trends in the southern part of the hemisphere, and as they confront their own social issues and at the same time become more aware of what is actually happening in the Latin American countries, Canadians will also become increasingly interested in