

its experiment in integration will take it, or what form it will assume on arrival, no over-all agreement can be laid in place at this time. But what can be done is to create a mechanism which will provide the means (i.e. the "link") and the obligation (i.e. "contractual") to consult and confer, and to do so with materials sufficiently pliable and elastic to permit the mechanism to adapt in future years to accommodate whatever jurisdiction the European Community from time to time assumes.

Guarantee of fair treatment sought
In each of the capitals I have visited I have been heartened by the willingness of governments to examine such a concept. Nowhere have I found it necessary to emphasize that Canada is not seeking preferential treatment or special advantages — for such would be contrary to the GATT — but only a guarantee of fair treatment at the hands of an economic unit rapidly becoming the most powerful in the world. In the interim since my visit to Europe last autumn, a series of exploratory talks has commenced with the object of constructing a framework within which formal negotiations will take place.

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U.S. award for Canadian engineer

Dr. Neil B. Hutcheon, past director, Division of Building Research, National Research Council of Canada, is the 1975 recipient of the F. Paul Anderson Medal, the highest technical award of the American Society for Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE).

The prize, established in 1930 to honour the accomplishments of the late F. Paul Anderson, past president of the Society, is given annually "for notable achievement or outstanding services performed in the field of heating, ventilating or air-conditioning". The award, a gold medal and certificate, was first presented in 1932 to Willis H. Carrier.

Dr. Hutcheon, throughout his career as professor of mechanical engineering at the University of Saskatchewan and as assistant director and director of the Division of Building Research, NRC, took part actively in the work of ASHRAE. His service included mem-

bership on many of the Society's research and technical committees and on its board of directors. He was made a Fellow of the Society in 1965 and was awarded the ASHRAE Distinguished Service Award in 1967.

This latest award, in recognition of Dr. Hutcheon's contributions to this field of science, was presented during the ASHRAE semi annual meeting in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

Educational technology program

The Canadian Government has established an educational technology program to assist provincial and federal education authorities in applying new technologies to educational needs. The program, operated by the Educational Technology Branch of the Department of Communications and its teams of engineers, educators, systems analysts, communication experts and computer specialists, is intended to provide technical advice and assistance for implementing technological systems in education.

The Branch is organized to provide a capability for the design and evaluation of programs dealing with the use of computers in education, audio-visual equipment and networks, information systems and related industrial development and standards.

The Branch will also work towards the development of manufacturing policies to ensure an appropriate involvement of Canadian industry in meeting Canadian needs for educational technology.

Northwest Territories — a bill to divide electoral districts

A bill to provide an additional representative for the Northwest Territories in the House of Commons and to establish a means of dividing the area into two electoral districts was given second reading in the House of Commons last month.

In explaining the purpose of the bill, President of the Privy Council Mitchell Sharp spoke of the vast area of 1,300,000 square miles comprising the Northwest Territories which, he said, was "far greater than one Member of Parliament can physically be expected

to visit and to be thoroughly acquainted with".

He said that many proposals for the division of the Northwest Territories into two constituencies had been studied by the Government and it had been found that the "exact position of optimal constituency boundaries would be most difficult to establish without a comprehensive examination of all relevant factors". It was also of the "utmost importance" to have the residents of the area present their own views on the determination of the boundaries. "For this reason," Mr. Sharp continued, "the bill provides that this task be entrusted, under amendments to the Electoral Boundaries Readjustment Act, to an independent commission chaired by a judge and with two members to be chosen by the Speaker of the House from among the residents of the Northwest Territories. The representation commissioner would be the fourth member. The duty of this commission would be to consult with the residents of the Northwest Territories and to make recommendations for the setting of constituency boundaries with reference to ease of transportation and communication, to community of interest within constituencies and to maintaining a rough balance in geographical size between them...."

Emily Carr ballet

Secretary of State J. Hugh Faulkner recently announced a grant of \$25,000 to the Vancouver Art Gallery in British Columbia, to sponsor the creation of a ballet based on the life of Emily Carr in recognition of International Women's Year 1975.

The Vancouver Art Gallery's permanent collection includes many of the finest works of Emily Carr, well-known Canadian artist, who was a native of British Columbia.

The ballet will be presented in the Concert Gallery of the Vancouver Arts Gallery by the Anna Wyman Dance Theatre in the last two weeks of July and will also be performed elsewhere.

The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and the National Film Board have also expressed interest in the project which, according to Gallery officials, is well suited to film and television production.