

News briefs

Legislation to amend the National Energy Board Act, was proclaimed on March 1. The amended legislation contains new measures designed to protect the rights of landowners affected by the construction of pipelines across Canada and power lines under federal jurisdiction. Under the amendments, new expropriation procedures give landowners the right to local public hearings before their land can be expropriated. The new legislation, Bill C-60, also provides new procedures of negotiation and arbitration to settle questions of compensation arising between companies and landowners.

The Manitoba government has established a new wildlife refuge on 64 hectares of private land donated to the province by Alexander MacPhail of Shoal Lake, Manitoba. The land offers a rich mixture of woodland, marsh and cultivated fields which the province will manage as the John MacPhail Wildlife Refuge. A variety of grasses will be planted on cultivated lands to protect the soil and offer food and cover to a host of wildlife species. First homesteaded by John MacPhail in 1882, the property provides habitat for grouse, deer, ducks and a wide range of small birds and mammals.

Northern Telecom Limited's US subsidiary, Northern Telecom Incorporated and Data General Corporation have announced an agreement to develop an advanced capability for interconnecting Data General's Comprehensive Electronic Office (CEO) system work stations through Northern Telecom's SL-1 digital business communications system (PBX). Under the agreement the companies will also develop products to enable Northern Telecom's Displayphone to function as a work station in Data General's CEO office systems network.

The federal government has announced a new policy allowing persons receiving unemployment insurance benefits to take full-time language training if the training is required to obtain employment. Those taking advantage of the new policy will receive benefits during training and for up to six weeks while seeking employment following their courses. The average training course will last about 26 weeks.

TransCanada PipeLines has reported net income applicable to common shares for 1982 increased 28 per cent to \$161.1 million from \$125.5 million in 1981. Earnings per share for the year increased

by 27 per cent to \$3.62 from \$2.85 the year before.

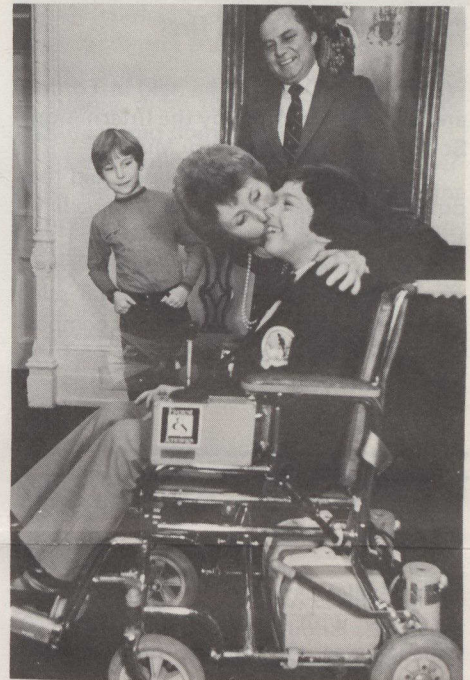
Farm Credit Corporation Canada has undertaken its first venture in the international capital markets by issuing \$50-million worth of notes at 12.125 per cent due March 31, 1983. The notes are non-callable prior to maturity and have been listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. Since the notes were issued in Canadian funds no hedging was required. The issue is lead-managed by Wood Gundy Limited and Société Générale de Banque S.A. The co-managers are an international group of banks.

Nine Ontario manufacturers recently made a ten-day general trade mission to Colombia and Venezuela. During their stay, mission members met with potential South American buyers for health care products and mining and transportation equipment. The mission was organized by the Ontario Ministry of Industry and Trade.

Cyclist Mike Flynn of British Columbia completed a cross-Canada bike trip on February 28 by wading in the Atlantic Ocean at Halifax, Nova Scotia. Flynn, who started his trip January 6, beat his 1980 cross-Canada record of 65 days and raised funds for the Kidney Foundation.

The Export Development Corporation (EDC) has signed three financing agreements totalling \$4.4 million (US) to support sales of Canadian goods and services to Czechoslovakia, Peru and the United States. They are: \$2.85-million (US) loan agreement to support the sale of two DHC-6 Series *Twin Otter* aircraft with spares to FundSources International, Incorporated of Washington, D.C. by the De Havilland Aircraft of Canada Limited of Downsview, Ontario; a \$1.5-million (US) allocation under a line of credit agreement with Ceskoslovenska Obchodni Banka, A.S. of Czechoslovakia to support the sale of bonnet valves including spare parts to Strojexport of Czechoslovakia by Velan Incorporated of Montreal; and a \$83 300 (US) "forfeiting" of six promissory notes to support the sale of a mining vehicle to Compania Minerales Santander Incorporated of Peru by Jarvis Clark Company Limited of Burlington, Ontario.

Carling Bassett of Toronto recently won the \$50 000 Ginny tennis tournament of central Pennsylvania title by beating Sandra Collin 2-6, 6-0 and 6-4. Bassett, the 15-year-old Canadian champion, was playing in only her third professional tournament.



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Eddie Jacobi, an 11-year-old cerebral palsy victim from Niagara Falls gets a congratulatory kiss from Lily Schreyer for being chosen the 1983 "Timmy" for the Easter Seal campaign. Looking on are Governor-General Edward Schreyer and the Schreyers' son Toban.

Forty-four graduates of the University of New Brunswick have formed a new alumni chapter in Hong Kong. The chapter — the first such one outside North America — includes graduates from all disciplines and classes.

The elderly, children and disabled are the focal points of the latest group of research projects approved by Health and Welfare Canada. In all, 23 Canadian health researchers will share a total of \$1.34 million in federal research funds made available through the national health research and development program.

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