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SPORTS AND HISTORY STAMPS

Two six-cent stamps, one honoring the Canada Games, a fresh departure in Canadian amateur sport, and the other commemorating the two-hundredth anniversary of Charlottetown as the capital of Prince Edward Island, will be released by the Canada Post Office on August 15.



The Charlottetown horizontal stamp, with dimensions of 40 x 24 mm., will be printed by the British American Bank Note Company, Ottawa. Within a black outline, is a map in reddish-brown suggestive of the soil of Prince Edward Island, that shows the geographic location of Charlottetown. The wording on the surrounding blue background is white.

The Canada Games vertical stamp, 25 million of which will be produced by the Canadian Bank Note Company, Ottawa, has dimensions of 24 x 40 mm; it will be lithographed in red and green, and blue steel engraving. The design features two flags flying



before a blue panel in the upper part of the stamp; the white flags bear the official insignias of the Winter Games, a white snowflake on a red maple leaf, and the Summer Games, a green "C", within which is a small red maple leaf and a series of small vertical red bars to transform the C to G. Masts for the flags, outlined in blue, project downward through a lower white panel.

CANADA GAMES

The Canada Games began with the 1st Winter Games, held in Quebec City in February 1967 in which some 1,800 athletes, representing all provinces and territories, competed. The twin communities of Halifax and Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, have been chosen as hosts for the 1st Summer Games, from August 16 to 24 in which it is expected that there will be about 2,500 entrants to compete in 15 sports. Eligibility is

restricted to Canadian citizens or landed immigrants with two years residence in Canada. Capital and operating costs are borne by federal, provincial and municipal governments in co-operation with the Canada Games Society.

CONFEDERATION CAPITAL

Charlottetown, once known as Port la Joie, became the capital of Prince Edward Island, Canada's smallest province, on August 4, 1769. The first inhabitants, Micmac Indians, knew the area as *Abegwei*, ("Cradled on the Wave"). Later, the Island became Ile St. Jean and, eventually, Prince Edward Island in honor of Edward, Duke of Kent, father of Queen Victoria. Jacques Cartier, was probably the first visitor from the Old World, in the 1530s, though attempts have been made to establish earlier discovery by explorers such as John Cabot, Verazanno and Stephen Gomez.

The Confederation Chamber in the Provincial Building in which the idea of a united Canada was born, at the 1964 Charlottetown Conference, is a continuing attraction for tourists.

LOAN TO TURKEY

Canada has agreed to provide a development loan of \$5 million to the Government of Turkey to finance high-priority projects in that country's second fiveyear development plan.

The loan is the second Canadian contribution to Turkey's development. It is being given within the framework of a special consortium established under the auspices of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Canada is already assisting Turkey to expand and modernize its telephone system by providing communications equipment purchased under a \$24.5million financial arrangement signed in 1967.

Turkey's planned economic development, now in its seventh year, has recorded a substantial expansion of production in both industry and agriculture. Turkey has provided the bulk of the resources which have gone into the financing of this development, and planners are hoping to make the country independent of foreign assistance by 1980.

ROAD TO THE THOUSAND ISLES

The Thousand Islands International Council will bring from Scotland two instructors in piping and highland dancing to teach at its new School for Scottish Performing Arts, to be held this summer on the shore of the St. Lawrence River.

From July 21 to August 1, the Thousand Islands International Field at Collins Landing, New York, will echo the skirl of bagpipes, the tapping of feet and the rumble of drums. The school will be followed by the second annual Thousand Islands International Highland Games at the same field on August 3.