

other groups including principal users of the payments system, to come together in an Implementation Committee to develop a payments system and communication interface standards for the communications network, and to encourage the use of these standards as the network is put in place. The Government will provide a chairman and support staff for this committee. The committee should work with existing standards groups as necessary.

An important part of the committee's work will be to consider the place of the credit/payment card in the payments system, including the standards for its use. In addition, the Department of Finance with the assistance of the Bank of Canada and the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs will consider the relationship of the various deposit-taking institutions to an acceptable credit/payment card system.

Finally, the Department of Justice in consultation with other departments will provide leadership in developing the legal framework to safeguard the rights of the users and suppliers of the payments system.

Professor named vice-chairman of Dubrovnik postgraduate centre council

Professor Frank Eyck of the University of Calgary history department was recently elected vice-chairman of the council for the Inter-University Centre of Postgraduate Studies in Dubrovnik, Yugoslavia, a position he will hold until March 1976.

The Inter-University Centre has just completed its first year, offering uniquely international and interdisciplinary postgraduate courses.

"In its first year, the Centre has succeeded admirably in bringing together professors from a variety of different countries and ideological backgrounds for consultation on topics of international concern," says Professor Eyck.

"So far, student attendance has been small, but the atmosphere at the Centre has been lively and challenging with a constant exchange of dialogue between the university representatives," he added.

Professor Eyck delivered a lecture in November on the craft of the historian

as part of a course on the philosophy of science and humanism, and he returned to Dubrovnik in January to participate in a symposium on multinational corporations.

In 1973, the University of Calgary became the only Canadian university invited to join the Centre, a co-operative venture dependent entirely on support from its approximately 50 member universities. Inspired by the common traditions of universities and by world concerns which require an international approach and interdisciplinary research, the Centre now boasts a membership of universities from around the world.

Professor Eyck describes one of the basic aims of the Centre as providing "postgraduate courses with wide international participation on the part of both instructors and students".

In a broader sense, he sees the Centre as developing into an ideological bridge between countries: "Traditionally, Dubrovnik has been a meeting place for a variety of cultures and religions and is ideally suited as a centre for international study," he notes.

Special camera one of many gifts from United States group

The Fundes camera being demonstrated right is one of the gifts made last year to Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, by the Friends of Queen's University Inc. in New York City, a group of alumni and friends in the U.S. with close associations to the university. The camera, one of the pieces of equipment used in the Medical Retina Disease Clinic in the Department of Ophthalmology, takes pictures of the retina of the eye. Used in diagnostic investigation and in the preparation of teaching aids, the camera will be especially useful in work with diabetes.

Other gifts to the university from the Friends of Queen's include specialized equipment for the Mining Engineering Department, support for the E.W. Hand Memorial Fund, the Barsky Prize in Ophthalmology, Donald Gordon Centre, Muriel Driver Memorial Fund, Schiff Prize in Surgery, Franklin Bracken Graduate Fellowship and a donation to the Chaplain's Fund.

