

Austrian theatre bicentennial exhibit at National Arts Centre



Austria's Ambassador to Canada, Dr. Walter F. Magrutsch (left) chats to G. Hamilton Southam, Director General

In celebration of the two-hundredth birthday of Austria's national theatre, the Vienna Burgtheater, Dr. Walter F. Magrutsch, the Austrian Ambassador to Canada, opened an exhibition at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa on April 14. Among officials present was Arts Centre Director General, G. Hamilton Southam.

"200 Years Vienna Burgtheater", which depicts the theatre's history from its foundation by Emperor Joseph II in 1776 to the present, highlights a collection of original costumes designed by Austrian artist Oskar

of the National Arts Centre in Ottawa, at the opening of the exhibition "200 Years Vienna Burgtheater".

Kokoschka. Included in the 26-panel display are drawings and photographs of scenes from the first performance on April 8, 1776 to the present, as well as a theatre program of that date.

Members of the Burgtheater gave recitals from works of Austrian writers in 1968, in Winnipeg, Montreal, Quebec City, Ottawa, Toronto and Hamilton, as part of a tour of North America, Europe and Asia. The Burgtheater company also presented *The Young Goethe* at the University of Calgary, the University of Toronto and at the Place des Arts in Montreal.



The Vienna Burgtheater in its early years. (Drawing by M. Ledeli.)

External Affairs Minister to visit Germany and Austria

Secretary of State for External Affairs Allan J. MacEachen will visit the Federal Republic of Germany, May 24, at the invitation of Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher. On May 25 and 26 he will visit Austria at the invitation of Austrian Foreign Minister Erich Bielka-Karltru.

Mr. MacEachen will discuss with representatives of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany bilateral and multilateral questions including Canada's relations with the European Community.

In Austria, Mr. MacEachen will discuss bilateral matters, but the emphasis in the talks with his Austrian counterpart will be on multilateral questions, including the United Nations.

Mr. MacEachen plans to take advantage of his visit to Austria to hold talks with officials of the International Atomic Energy Agency and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

Nuclear agreements with Finland and Spain

The Department of External Affairs recently made announcements regarding nuclear co-operation with two countries.

Canada and Finland have signed an agreement concerning safeguards on nuclear material, equipment, facilities and information transferred between them, under which both countries have placed their entire nuclear power programs under the safeguards of the International Atomic Energy Agency.

At present nuclear trade between the two countries consists largely of the sale of Canadian uranium to Finland, which is developing an important nuclear-power generating program.

The agreement, signed in Helsinki, March 25, is intended to satisfy the national safeguards policy of both countries on a bilateral basis, in support of their commitments under the Non-Proliferation Treaty.

Both governments see the conclusion of this agreement as a positive step in the promotion and expansion of nuclear co-operation for peaceful pur-