

Marine" for which he won a special prize of the French Academy in 1954 and "Metropolitan Museum". His "Oeuvres poétiques" appeared in 1956. His novels "Le Curé de Village" and "Les Velder" were made into radio and television serials. Mr. Choquette is married and has two children.

Mr. Bussiére, who was born in Normandin, Quebec in 1910, received his university education at the University of Laval in Quebec and at the University of Paris. After several years spent in university teaching, Mr. Bussiére directed the adult education section of UNESCO in Paris. He then became director of the Canadian Citizenship Division of the Department of Citizenship and Immigration in Ottawa, before being named in 1957 First Associate Director of the Arts Council of Canada. In this capacity he served as the first Secretary of the Canadian National Commission for UNESCO. While exercising these functions Mr. Bussiére also occupied the post of Assistant Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Ottawa from 1955 to 1959. He has also participated in several international press conferences. Mr. Bussiére is married and has three sons and one daughter.

Background Notes

At the time of the official visit of the Prime Minister to Paris last January, the Canadian and French governments, as announced by the communique issued at the conclusion of the visit, expressed their mutual desire to strengthen existing links between the two countries. Accordingly, regular meetings have been arranged by the two governments and Canada has launched a programme of cultural exchanges with France as well as with other French-speaking