

News briefs

Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources Marc Lalonde tabled in the House of Commons, on July 28, the government's response to the report of the Special House Committee on Alternative Energy and Oil Substitution released last year. In its response, the government noted that there was substantial agreement between its views and those of the committee on alternative energy and oil substitution issues and that the government in fact is now acting on many of the committee's 65 recommendations.

In 1981, Canadians matched their 1980 record for vacation travel by taking 9 million pleasure trips. The results of the 1981 survey of vacation trips by Canadians, pointed out that Canada's share of total vacation travel by Canadians reached 68 per cent last year,

continuing the growth in market share that has averaged one percentage point per year over the last five years. Conversely, U.S. and offshore destinations experienced a decline in 1981, resulting in market shares of 25 and 12 per cent respectively.

Twelve Canadian speakers from government and the private sector will take part in the TEC-CAN '82 seminars to be held in São Paulo, Brazil, September 20 to October 1. The seminars will be held in conjunction with the TEC-CAN '82 Transfer of Technology Fair, to be held in the same location for five days, beginning September 27. Subjects for the seminars are ocean engineering, environmental control, telecommunications and space sensing.

Health and Welfare Minister Monique Bégin has announced the recipients of 16 federal research awards, which total

\$921 423. The program supports scientific research and related activities designed to provide information needed by the department on issues related to the health care system, environmental health, the health consequences of human behaviour and the health status of selected populations.

The Export Development Corporation (EDC) has signed a \$22.3-million (U.S.) financing agreement to support a sale by F. Jos Lamb Company Limited of Windsor, Ontario, to the Ford Motor Company Limited, of Brentwood, Essex, England. The sale involves the supply of a diesel cylinder head line and in addition to the heads, drives and spindles, includes the design and manufacture of a fully automated transfer line tooled and equipped to perform all drilling, milling, boring and tapping services, together with installation supervisory services.

Canadair Limited of Montreal has sold two CL-215 forest fire fighter aircraft to the government of Italy which took delivery of the first aircraft on June 30 and the second on July 26. Other countries that have purchased the Canadair water bombers include France (15), Spain (17), Yugoslavia (4) and Greece (11).

Spooky, a Russian Blue cat, and George, a Boston terrier, got contact lenses this spring — making them the first small animals in North America to be fitted with properly sized soft lenses to correct vision. Two Toronto men who developed the lenses, Dr. Lionel P. Goldstein, a veterinary ophthalmologist, and Dr. Josh Josephson, a contact lens specialist, fitted the animals with the lenses. They see the procedure as a valuable one in prolonging the working life of valuable, highly trained animals such as police dogs and guide dogs for the blind.

Sports scoreboard (as of August 18)

Baseball

American League

Eastern Division

	W	L	PCT	GB
Milwaukee	68	48	.586	—
Boston	64	52	.552	4
Baltimore	60	55	.522	7½
Detroit	59	58	.504	9½
New York	58	58	.500	10
Cleveland	56	59	.487	11½
Toronto	58	62	.483	12

Western Division

	W	L	PCT	GB
California	67	50	.573	—
K.C.	66	51	.564	1
Chicago	64	52	.552	2½
Seattle	59	59	.500	8½
Oakland	52	67	.437	16
Texas	46	69	.400	20
Minnesota	40	77	.342	27

National League

Eastern Division

	W	L	PCT	GB
St. Louis	67	50	.573	—
Philadelphia	66	52	.559	1½
Montreal	62	55	.530	5
Pittsburgh	61	57	.521	6½
New York	50	67	.427	17
Chicago	51	69	.425	17½

Western Division

	W	L	PCT	GB
Los Angeles	66	53	.554	—
Atlanta	63	54	.538	2
San Diego	63	55	.534	2½
San Francisco	62	58	.517	4½
Houston	54	64	.458	11½
Cincinnati	44	75	.370	22

Football

Canadian Football League

Eastern Division

	GP	W	L	T	F	A	P
Toronto	6	3	2	1	153	149	7
Hamilton	6	3	3	0	149	168	6
Ottawa	5	1	4	0	114	136	2
Montreal	5	1	4	0	47	163	2

Western Division

	GP	W	L	T	F	A	P
Winnipeg	5	4	1	0	153	79	8
Calgary	5	3	1	1	133	88	7
British Columbia	5	3	2	0	139	145	6
Edmonton	6	3	3	0	208	127	6
Saskatchewan	5	2	3	0	118	139	4

Soccer

North American

Eastern Division

	GP	W	L	F	A	BP	P
New York	30	22	8	69	48	63	193
Montreal	30	18	12	56	40	45	149
Toronto	30	16	14	54	42	45	141
Chicago	30	11	19	51	65	48	112

Southern Division

	GP	W	L	F	A	BP	P
Ft. Lauderdale	30	16	14	60	72	53	147
Tulsa	30	15	15	66	54	56	142
Tampa Bay	30	12	18	44	66	37	109
Jacksonville	31	11	20	40	69	38	104

Western Division

	GP	W	L	F	A	BP	P
Seattle	30	17	13	70	46	58	158
Vancouver	30	19	11	55	45	44	152
San Diego	30	17	13	64	53	50	148
San Jose	29	13	17	47	55	38	114
Portland	29	13	17	45	53	39	114
Edmonton	31	11	20	38	61	33	93

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