

## NATIONAL LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

On May 10, Governor-General Vanier officiated at a cornerstone ceremony at the National Library and Archives Building in downtown Ottawa. Mr. Maurice Lamontagne, the Secretary of State, presided. A meeting of the National Library Advisory Council, which includes representatives of all 10 provinces, had been arranged to coincide with the ceremony.

It is planned to have the building, which will cost nearly \$10 million, occupied in time for Canada's centennial celebration in 1967. It is expected that it will be finished in time to permit occupation and the cataloguing of books and documents in advance of the centennial.

### DIMENSIONS

The building will have a 304-foot frontage and will extend 210 feet towards the Ottawa River. It will contain an approximate gross floor area of 540,000 square feet. There will be nine full floors above the ground level and four mezzanines, as well as three floors below ground. The height of the building from street level will be 130 feet.

The structural frame will be reinforced concrete and the exterior walls will be faced with Canadian granite to conform with the material used in the walls of the nearby Supreme Court Building. Air conditioning will be installed for the protection of books.

### CAPACITY

The Library will be capable of accommodating about two million volumes, as well as many manuscripts, on its 15 stack levels, three of which are below ground. One of the many features will be a 400-seat theatre and assembly hall that will form an annex on the west side. It will protrude about 85 feet, with an 80-foot front, and will be 40 feet high.

Exhibition halls and offices, reading rooms and rare-book displays are all part of the building plan. The Public Archives will occupy a considerable area and offices are also to be provided for the Royal Society of Canada.

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## TRADE IN SECURITIES

Transactions in outstanding securities between Canada and other countries during February resulted in a net capital outflow of \$25.8 million, a continuation of the trend of the three previous months, though considerably below the revised January net-outflow figure of just over \$39 million. The geographical distribution of net flows of capital repeated the January pattern, with outflows of \$15.5 million, \$9.7 million and \$0.6 million to the United States, Britain and other countries respectively. In January the net purchase balances with these areas were respectively \$27.7 million, \$7.4 million, and \$3.9 million.

### CANADIAN SALES

Trade in outstanding Canadian securities resulted in a net repurchase balance of \$21.9 million. Bonds

and debentures attracted \$4.7 million of net foreign investment but the sustained repatriation of equities amounting to \$26.6 million accounted for the net purchase balance. In the previous month, the net repatriation of \$41.4 million in Canadian securities included net outflows for both classes of securities—\$0.8 million for bonds and debentures and \$40.6 million for equities.

### FOREIGN SALES

Trade in outstanding foreign securities led to an additional \$3.9 million outflow of Canadian investment, with the net acquisition of \$4.8 million in common and preference stocks and the surrender of \$0.9 million in bonds and debentures. Geographically, this net outflow was directed almost entirely to the United States, mainly for the purchase of the equities of that country. Transactions with residents of Britain were nearly in balance, while a net sales balance of \$0.5 million occurred in trade with other countries.

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## FITNESS PROGRAMME FOR FAMILY CAMPERS

The National Fitness and Amateur Sport Programme has invited every Canadian to try his hand at outdoor living. Family camping is the latest subject for attention in the "How To" series of the Department of National Health and Welfare, which administers the Programme. Through films and instructional texts, the Department is providing expert guidance on a number of sporting and recreational activities.

The first demonstration of the family-camping "How To" kit was held recently in Toronto. The proceedings included the premiere of "Family Camping", a 28-minute colour film illustrating the wide variety of pleasures offered by the Canadian outdoors, such as travel by car or canoe in Ontario's Georgian Bay or trial riding in the Rockies.

Other sections of the kit offer hints on the practical side of camping, from pitching a tent to cooking over an open fire. Four filmstrips in colour and a camper's manual, on these subjects and many others, were also unveiled.

The French version of the kit, "La famille sous la tente", was shown recently at Montreal's Family Camping Exhibition.

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## AID TO PROSPECTORS

The Federal Government has streamlined its Prospectors' Assistance Programme in Canada's North, National Resources Minister Arthur Laing announced recently. This year again, his department has earmarked \$60,000 to encourage prospecting in the Yukon and the Northwest Territories. But this aid will now be provided under general regulations, instead of under individual contracts. "This will give local screening boards greater control of the Programme and speed its operation", says Mr. Laing.

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