

French-speaking African countries. Seven technicians were being recruited to provide training in the maintenance and operation of road-building equipment. Canada was also recruiting engineering personnel to act as advisers at the Kasserine pulp mill.

Canada accepted two students for training and had 24 teachers and seven advisers in Tunisia.

#### Upper Volta

A series of 84 educational films was provided to Upper Volta for use in schools and for adult education.

#### Commonwealth Caribbean Assistance Programme

The Canadian assistance programme for the Caribbean area was introduced in 1958 when the proposed West Indies Federation of Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago, Barbados and the Leeward and Windward Islands was in the process of formation. Canada's original aid commitment was \$10 million over five years, intended primarily for projects of benefit to the whole Federation. This programme was continued after the dissolution of the Federation in 1962, though it became a series of individual programmes for former units.

On the conclusion of the original five-year commitment on March 31, 1963, funds for the succeeding fiscal year, amounting to \$2,100,000, were made available for these islands, as well as British Guiana and British Honduras.

On the basis of the funds made available and acting on the requests and priorities submitted by the recipient governments, the Canadian programme of aid to the Commonwealth Caribbean area for the first six years was involved largely with the provision of two ships for inter-island commerce and educational and technical assistance.

When Canadian aid appropriations were increased in the fiscal year 1964-65, an expanded programme for the Caribbean was approved, making available \$9 million, consisting of \$3,500,000 in grant assistance and \$5,500,000 in special development loans. The allocation in 1965-66 was \$10 million, including \$4,500,000 in grants and \$5,500,000 in development loans.

During 1965-66, a total of \$1,970,000 was spent on technical assistance, financing 130 Canadian teachers and advisers in the Caribbean and 431 students in Canada.

#### Barbados, Windward and Leeward Islands

Trade development, educational facilities and water distribution and storage have been given high priority in the Little Eight Islands. Canada was able to assist in each of these fields during the year under review. To aid inter-island commerce and to develop export business, port-handling equipment was provided for Barbados, Grenada, St. Vincent, Dominica, Antigua, Montserrat and St. Kitts and warehouses were built in St. Lucia and St. Kitts. Towards the end of the year, economists from Canada, Britain and the United States took part in a tripartite survey of the islands' economic potential.