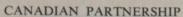
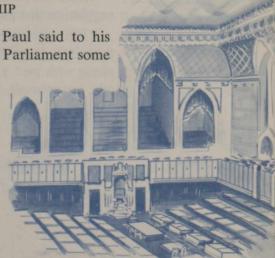
same powers as the President of the United States. Did she appoint the Prime Minister, or was he elected by the people? And how often were elections held?

Mr. Simpson explained that in Canada the Queen is Head of State. All government is carried on in her name, through the Canadian Governor-General, who is appointed by her on the recommendation of the Prime Minister. But, unlike the President, the Governor-General does not exercise his powers personally. He acts in the Queen's name only on the advice of Canada's chief minister, the Prime Minister, who is generally the elected leader of the party commanding a majority in the House of Commons. By law, general elections are to be held every five years, or sooner, if Parliament is dissolved.

They were still discussing politics when they got back to their motel after dinner. The following day they completed their sightseeing with visits to the National Gallery and National Museum. When they came out of the National Gallery, Paul asked Mr. Simpson what was going on behind the long boarding on the other side of Elgin Street, where he could hear blasting and other sounds suggesting a big construction job. "That's the site of the National Arts Centre," Mr. Simpson told him. "Ottawa, which is very proud of this big cultural project, had hoped to have the Centre ready for Canada's centennial celebrations in 1967, but this is impossible, so the complex will be opened in 1968."



"One thing I noticed the other day," Paul said to his cousins when they got home, "is that in Parliament some



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