## News briefs

Senator Ernest Manning has been named the first member of Alberta's Order of Excellence. The order, instituted in 1979 recognizes persons who have rendered service of "distinction and singular excellence" on behalf of the province. Mr. Manning, whose political career in Alberta spanned four decades, will receive the symbol of the order which is a sterling silver Maltese cross gilded and highlighted in blue enamel and bearing the provincial wild rose and the arms of Alberta.

Secretary of State for External Affairs Mark MacGuigan and Minister of Agriculture Eugene Whelan have announced a new initiative to encourage the use of superior Canadian wines at Canadian embassies abroad. Co-operation between the Departments of External Affairs and Agriculture, and the Canadian Wine Institute will result in worthy Canadian wines being selected for use at official functions in Canadian diplomatic missions.

Canada, in co-operation with the United States, recently hosted the world's first scientific gathering to determine the degree of chemical pollution of a major ocean area — the North Atlantic. More



Corporal Vincie Bowie of the Royal Scots Dragoon Guards lets Matthew Maisonneuve, 3, try out his bagpipes during a visit to the Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario. Bowie plays with the Coldstream Guards of Scotland and was performing in Ottawa.

than 100 international scientists gathered in Halifax, Nova Scotia, for the five-day meeting co-sponsored by the Bedford Institute of Oceanography in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, and the U.S. Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution in Woods Hole, Massachusetts. The conference marked the first official joint effort of the two institutions.

Bombardier Incorporated of Montreal has received a \$27.8 million order from the Pakistan government to rebuild and upgrade 42 diesel electric locomotives. Shipments of the first rebuilt kits will start within a year and will continue for about 18 months.

Brunswick Mining and Smelting Corporation Limited of Bathurst, New Brunswick has confirmed that it plans a joint project with Heath Steele Mines Limited to build a zinc reduction plant at Belledune, New Brunswick. Both companies are subsidiaries of Noranda Mines Limited of Toronto. Construction is scheduled to start in May, 1982, with plant startup targeted for late 1984. The project will cost about \$360 million and includes Department of Regional Economic Expansion and other grants totalling \$35 million. The plant is designed to produce 100,000 metric tons of zinc metal a year.

The Export Development Corporation has signed a \$27.9-million (Cdn.) loan agreement to support a \$32.9-million (Cdn.) sale of goods and services to Australian Paper Manufacturers Limited of Matraville, New South Wales, Australia. The sale involves the supply of engineering services by H.A. Simons (International) Limited of Vancouver and the supply of boiler parts for the Maryvale unbleached kraft pulping line by Babcock & Wilcox Canada Limited of Cambridge, Ontario.

The federal and Newfoundland governments have signed two five-year agreements for developing eight native communities in the province. Federal contributions towards these agreements, totalling \$33 million, are to assist and support Newfoundland's native peoples in achieving their cultural, social and economic goals.

Two Ottawa area companies involved in manufacturing equipment for Telidon, Canada's two-way television technology, have merged. Norpak Limited of Kanata has acquired 100 per cent of the shares of Hemton Corporation of Ottawa. Norpak manufactures adapters which turn television into two-way Telidon terminals, while Hemton specializes in equipment used by companies to create the pages of informa-

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tion which appear on Telidon terminals.

Health and Welfare Canada has an nounced that projects involving 17,665 participants in 159 senior citizens groups across Canada will receive federal contributions totalling \$934,192. The funds are made available through the department's New Horizons program.

Canadian skiers Steve Podborski and Ken Read finished in the top five in the first opening World Cup downhill race of the 1981-82 season held in Val d'Isère France. Franz Klammer of Austria won the race in which Podborski of Toronto was one of the prerace favourites. Podborski finished fourth followed by Readwho was participating in his first race since tearing knee ligaments 11 months ago.

Dan Halldorson recently received the first SCORE award as Canada's outstanding professional golfer of 1981. Halldorson was presented with the Diamond Solitaire Award, sponsored by De Beers. The Canadian golfer entered 28 tournaments had five top-ten finishes and a stroke average of 71.83.

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