

"smoothing" of the curve now stand out clearly. This method involves making certain variations disappear by giving each point of the curve a new value equal to the sum of a quarter of the value of the preceding point, plus half the value of the point in question, plus one quarter of the value of the following point. This operation can be repeated several hundred or thousand times if necessary.

The cardiac patient

In the case of electrocardiograms showing the patient's condition to be normal, this new method could enable a physician to pick out certain pre-monitory signs of the illness too weak to be revealed by normal procedures.

If these new hopes prove to be well-founded, fewer people, in the future, will be experiencing heart attacks weeks or even days after undergoing an electrocardiogram which showed them to be in perfect health.

Education emphasized in assistance to developing nations

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tutions to social, economic and cultural needs;

— establishment of basic "first-cycle" education programs, which would provide education for adults as well as children to enable them to evolve better and more productively in their own evolving environment. While the first two priorities would not be neglected, the Canadian program would be largely directed to this last priority.

In line with the strategy, CIDA will concentrate its efforts in the 25 poorest countries of the Third World.

CIDA will encourage in particular:

— The training of teacher trainers as well as teachers; the development of

organizational and administrative skills; this training should be dispensed locally or in culturally similar third countries;

— technical and vocational training, as an integral part of educational, social and economic development;

— the training of unemployed young people who have had limited access to formal education;

— assistance to help countries to develop their own development agents and "animateurs".

CIDA's programs should fit in with the host country's national plan and budget so that they can be taken over without strain.

Canadian assistance must be in support of, and not a substitute for, national efforts.

Audio-visual techniques should be

used only when they fit in with the general educational program.

CIDA will not normally support projects for the construction of schools or similar institutions unless they are to be used as centres for community action — that is, used to the fullest extent.

Each sector covered by the guidelines has been recognized as a priority in the *Strategy 1975-80* and is a major concern within developing countries.

The principles outlined are for the guidance of officers of CIDA and consultants. The guidelines are being distributed on an information basis to Canadian and international non-government organizations, federal and provincial departments concerned, governments of developing countries and major international agencies.

News briefs

- Prime Minister Michael Manley of Jamaica has accepted Prime Minister Trudeau's invitation to visit Canada October 28-29.
- Statistics Canada reports that Canada's deficit in business with other countries during the second quarter of 1976 declined to \$1.26 billion from the record \$1.38 billion in the first three months of this year.
- The Defence Department reports that Canadian and Portuguese Ambassadors to NATO have signed a memorandum of understanding which provides for the training of small groups of Portuguese military personnel with Canada's NATO brigade group in Lahr, West Germany. The first group was scheduled to join 4 Canadian Mechanized Brigade Group in Lahr, September 26.
- Lloyd Robertson, well known CBC-TV newscaster for some 22 years has left the publicly-owned corporation and joined the CTV network.
- Denison Mines Ltd says the Japanese steel industry has agreed to negotiate a long-term purchase of five million tons of coal annually from the Quintette coal deposit in British Columbia.
- During August unemployment rose in six provinces, although the over-all rate was little changed from that of July, says Statistics Canada. It re-

ported that 7.2 per cent of the work force was unemployed, compared to 7.3 per cent in July.

- An amendment to the Criminal Code allowing police to demand breath tests at the side of the road became effective this month in Ontario and Alberta.
- The Government's target for reducing inflation this year will be met, reports the Anti-Inflation Board, in a statement issued this month.
- John McIntyre, manager of a cycle shop in Barrie, Ontario, rode his motor-cycle 4,000 miles from Vancouver, British Columbia to Sydney, Nova Scotia in 81 hours and 55 minutes. He left a Vancouver police station at 4.05 a.m. August 30 and arrived in Sydney at 6 p.m. September 2. Mr. McIntyre, who is claiming a record for the fastest motor-cycle trip across Canada, says "it was challenging, something very difficult to do...". Apart from eight hours sleep and a 45 minute delay on a Montreal freeway, he said, there were no real stops till he reached Sydney.
- *Canadian Nurse*, September issue, reports that McMaster University Medical Centre, Hamilton, Ontario is believed to be the first hospital in North America to allow parents into the operating room during induction of anesthesia in their children. They are also in the recovery room when the child regains consciousness.

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