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"Unity in Canada" is the subject of the second stamp of the year, which is to go on sale in March. This issue will be followed by four stamps bearing provincial floral emblems. The Postmaster General said that present plans call for the flower stamps to be produced in several colours, probably by lithography. Within the next few years, Mr. Denis stated, it is planned to issue a stamp depicting the floral emblem of each of the ten provinces.

A special stamp on the theme of world peace is to be released in June.

Two stamps of special historical interest are scheduled for release in September. They will commemorate the Charlottetown and Quebec Conferences held in 1864, which led to Confederation three years later.

FIRST CHRISTMAS STAMP

For the first time in Canada, a Christmas stamp will be issued in 1964. Final date of release for this stamp has not been decided, but it will be in time for use on Christmas mail. Mr. Denis said that the decision to issue a Christmas stamp was made after a lengthy study and after taking into consideration the requests and suggestions of many individuals and organizations across the country.

Designs for the 1964 stamp series will be announced as they are completed.

CANAL STATISTICS

The volume of freight shipped through all Canadian canals in 1962 increased 11 per cent to 63,568,291 tons from 57,222,696 in 1961 and at this level was almost 25 per cent above the 1959 total that reflected the opening of the St. Lawrence Seaway. The volume of freight locked through the St. Lawrence canals increased in 1962 to 25,747,821 tons from 23,672,825 in the preceding year, through the Welland canal rose to 35,510,609 tons from 31,404,370, while that through the Canadian lock at Sault Ste. Marie decreased to 1,107,129 tons from 1,140,950.

Vessel passages declined in 1962 to 22,836 from 25,980, owing to the drop of almost 20 per cent in vessels of Canadian registry to 13,836 from 17,332; the registered net tonnage of Canadian vessels fell only 2.6 per cent to 31,677,612 tons from 32,531,256. Passages of United States vessels increased to 3,524 from 3,307 and registered net tonnage to 4,045,470 from 2,515,262, British vessels to 1,938 from 1,845 and net tonnage to 6,769,909 from 6,294,753, and other foreign vessels to 3,538 from 3,496 and net tonnage to 11,071,809 from 10,065,901.

Newspint remained Canada's chief export... through the value of shipments in the first six months of 1963 was slightly below \$200 million, representing a decrease of 3.4 per cent from the value of \$208 million in the first half of the preceding year. This was mainly owing to the effects of the closure of the New York newspaper market, though exports to Britain and Australia were somewhat less. While those to Mexico, Colombia and India increased, the drop in shipments to Britain, France, the Republic of South Africa and Venezuela was of 12 per cent, which was mainly due to a decline in shipments to Britain, France, the Republic of South Africa and Venezuela. Shipments to China, West Germany and Belgium and Luxembourg, however, were much smaller than in the first half of last year. Softwood lumber exports rose 9.9 per cent to \$180 million and wood pulp by 8.1 per cent to \$121 million. Other major exports of wood pulp to Japan, Britain and Japan and of wood pulp to Japan, Britain and West Germany. Aluminum shipments increased 33 per cent to \$45 million, mainly to the United States and Britain, though Japan, Brazil and Mexico also increased their purchases. Trade problems advanced to \$103 million, a gain of 1.6 per cent principally to the United States while nickel ores and concentrates rose sharply to \$82 million a gain of 2.9 per cent due to increased deliveries to Britain, Norway and the United States. For the first time over the past few years, shipments of radioactive ores and concentrates principally to the United States showed a sharp increase. Exports of copper and alloys rose slightly to \$21 million from \$20 million in the first six months of 1963. Copper and alloys rose slightly to \$21 million while phosphate declined 3 per cent to \$50 million. Exports of harvesting and related machinery, natural

While a number of airlines paid the charges, others refused to do so and in two cases legal proceedings had been instituted against the delinquents. An... Since there was some question of the legality of the... of the basis for the charges, the legal aspects of the... matter were reviewed and it was concluded that... there was sufficient basis for the charges and... adequate to support the charges in the present case... decision has, therefore, been taken to withdraw the... present charge, to discontinue the court action... against the two airlines in question and to... returns to those airlines that have paid the charges... The Minister added that in his view the charges... in question was entirely consistent with the... of the International Civil Aviation Organization... Canadian taxpayers should not be called upon to... subsidize foreign airlines whose operations... land in Canada by providing them with... facilities and services without which the world... impossible for them to cross the North Atlantic... safety. He stated that the international commission... Parliament as soon as possible, possibly... legislative remedy the situation of... and in that regard, proposed even if... but no real progress has been made at... and in that regard, proposed even if... STAMPS FOR 1964... but new postage stamps will be issued by... Post Office in 1964, it has been announced by... master General Axelus Denis. The first to go on sale to the public probably on February 27 will be a regular stamp of the 5-cent denomination, intended basically for air-mail postage. This issue will replace the present 5-cent air-mail stamp, which has been in use since November 1952. The new 5-cent stamp will have the same design as the 5-cent stamp issued in 1952. The new 5-cent stamp will have the same design as the 5-cent stamp issued in 1952. The new 5-cent stamp will have the same design as the 5-cent stamp issued in 1952.