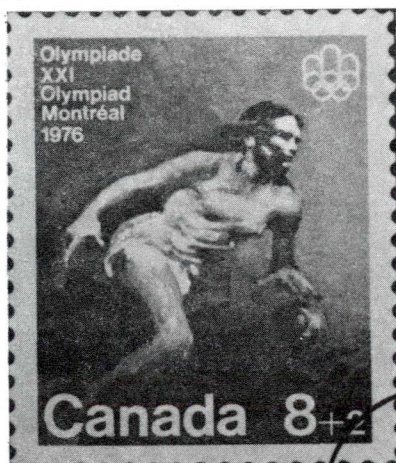


in France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Norway, Sweden and the United States.

OECD, established in 1961 and based in Paris, is an international body for stimulating economic progress and world trade. Its members come from the industrialized nations of North America and western Europe and also include Japan and Australia. OECD conducts an annual evaluation of member states' economies.

### Olympic action stamps

Three additional Olympic Action Stamps, issued on January 7, are the fourth and final set of surcharged stamps to be issued by the Canada Post Office for the 1976 Olympic Games in Montreal. They feature the gymnastics and team sports of vaulting, basketball, and soccer.



The stamps are in denominations of 8 cents plus 2 cents surcharge, 10 cents plus 5 cents surcharge, and 20 cents plus 5 cents surcharge.

When the Action stamp is sold across a post office counter, the net proceeds from the surcharge portion is counted as support revenue for the Olympics; when it is sold through the Philatelic

Service, the total value, including the surcharge, is counted as philatelic revenue and the net proceeds, after deducting costs, go to the Organizing Committee for the Olympic Games and amateur sport.

The predominant blue colour of these stamps, which were designed by James Hill of Toronto, is in contrast to the orange-reds of the previous set of combat sports Olympic Action stamps, also designed by the same artist.

James Hill, a well-known Canadian illustrator, whose work has appeared in numerous Canadian and American magazines over the years, was named artist of the year in 1966 by the Society of American Artists, an honour hitherto conferred only on Norman Rockwell and James Spanfeller. He also holds the distinction of being the first illustrator ever elected to the Royal Canadian Academy of Arts.



*Yvon Beaulne, Canada's representative to the UN Commission on Human Rights.*

### West German cataloguing system for National Library

The National Library of Canada has decided to acquire the Dormunder Bibliothekssystem (DOBIS), a system developed by the University of Dortmund, West Germany, which will provide on-line facilities for catalogue search, cataloguing, acquisition, serials control, binding, accounting, circulation and interlibrary loan.

The system will require modification for the Canadian environment, including incorporation of multi-user capability and cataloguing capability in French and English based on Canadian MARC (Machine-Readable Cataloguing) Standards.

The National Library and the University of Dortmund are negotiating the acquisition of the system, which is expected to be in use by November 1976.

### Canadian representative to the UN Commission on Human Rights

Yvon Beaulne, Director-General of the Bureau of African and Middle Eastern Affairs in the Department of External Affairs, has been appointed Canada's representative on the United Nations Commission on Human Rights. Canada was elected to the Commission by the fifty-eighth session of the United Nations Economic and Social

Council in the spring of 1975, for a three-year term which began January 1.

Mr. Beaulne has for a number of years taken an active and sympathetic interest in human rights. He was closely involved in these issues as Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the United Nations in New York from 1969-1972 and subsequently as Assistant Under-Secretary of State in the Secretary of State Department from 1972-1974.

The Commission on Human Rights, the principal body of the United Nations concerned with human rights, was created in 1947 and immediately undertook the drafting of a Universal Declaration of Human Rights which was solemnly adopted and proclaimed by the General Assembly the following year.

The Commission, among other things, has elaborated a series of international instruments, declarations or conventions, in particular the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and the International Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Racial Discrimination.

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