

FINNS HONOUR CANADIAN FORESTERS

Two research scientists of the federal Department of Forestry in Ottawa have been honored by the Society of Foresters of Finland. Arthur Bickerstaff, Associate Director in charge of forest management research with the Forest Research Branch of the Department, and J. Stan Rowe, head of the branch's ecology section, have been elected corresponding members of the Finnish Society, an award made only to those scientists outside Finland who have distinguished themselves in the field of forestry and related sciences.

SEAWAY TRAFFIC

According to preliminary statistics released by the two Seaway entities, The St. Lawrence Seaway Authority (Canada) and Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (United States), cargo traffic for 1962 through the Montreal-Lake Ontario section of the Seaway exceeded 18,000,000 tons by the end of September. This figure, compared with 16,700,000 tons for the same period of 1961, indicates an increase of 9.1 per cent in total tonnage. For the Welland Canal, the April to September period totalled more than 25,300,000 tons, compared to 22,500,000 tons in 1961, for a gain of 12.7 per cent.

Cargo movements for the month of September only showed an increase of 12.3 per cent over 1961 for a total of 3,400,000 tons through the St. Lawrence section of the Seaway, while the Welland Canal increased by 15.0 per cent to a monthly total of 4,400,000 tons.

Upbound traffic through the Montreal-Lake Ontario section for 1962 shows a gain of 39.6 per cent over 1961, while downbound cargoes declined by 8.1 per cent. Both upbound and downbound traffic on the Welland Canal increased by 48.0 per cent and .8 per cent respectively. The general increase for the season was owing to heavy shipments of upbound iron ore.

Vessel transits through both canals were still considerably fewer than in 1961, although cargo tonnages have mounted rapidly. This reflects the passage of larger vessels and indicates a steady increase in the average tons of cargo per transit.

NEW POST FOR DR. PLEWES

Dr. Doris W. Plewes of Ottawa has been appointed Assistant Director of Fitness and Amateur Sport, it was announced recently by the Department of National Health and Welfare and the Civil Service Commission. Dr. Plewes, who has served since 1954 as a Professional Consultant on Fitness and Recreation for the Department, will in her new position, assist the Director in the implementation of the Act to Encourage Fitness and Amateur Sport.

A native of Wallaceburg, Ontario, Dr. Plewes holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Western Ontario, a Master's degree in Health, Physical Education and Recreation from Columbia University, a Bachelor of Pedagogy degree from the University of Toronto and the degree of Doctor of Education in Physical Education from Columbia University.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Dr. Plewes has had extensive experience in both general and physical education, and in community recreation. Her activities in the professional and leadership-training aspects of these programmes have included co-authorship of a proposed curriculum for professional preparation, and the initiation of certified professional training for community recreation directors under the Canadian Vocational Training Plan in 1946. During the War, Dr. Plewes directed training courses in first-aid and home nursing for the Saint John Ambulance Association and the Canadian Red Cross Association, and was second-in-command of the Red Cross Corps in the London area.

In August 1946 she was appointed Assistant Director of Physical Fitness and, in October 1946, Acting Director. She also served as Executive Secretary of the National Council on Physical Fitness, and in 1949 was Canada's official representative at the Lingiad in Sweden, and at the International Congress on Physical Education for Women and Girls and the World Congress on Physical Education. She was elected first vice-president of the International Congress on Physical Education for Women and Girls, and has been the Canadian delegate and member of the International Council of the International Federation of Physical Education since 1948.

STAMP TO HONOUR POLISH CANADIAN

A new postage stamp honouring one of Canada's most eminent citizens of Polish birth, Sir Casimir Stanislaus Gzowski, will go on sale at post offices throughout the country on March 5, 1963. In announcing the new stamp, Mrs. Ellen L. Fairclough, the Postmaster General, said the Gzowski issue was intended to honour not only Canadians of Polish extraction but those as well of many other races and origins who had contributed to the growth and development of the Canadian nation.

Sir Casimir Stanislaus Gzowski was born in Poland in 1813 and came to Canada as a young man. He was an intimate friend of many of the Fathers of the Confederation. An engineer of great ability, he took part in the building of the Grand Trunk Railway. He also built the International Bridge across Niagara Falls and was first chairman of the Niagara Falls Park Commission. He was one of the early officers of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers (now the Engineering Institute of Canada), and was one of the founders and an early president of Wycliffe College. He served as a Senator on the board of the University of Toronto for approximately 20 years.

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