

Shield and the limestone of the Hudson Bay lowland, the two dominant land forms of the Hudson Bay and Foxe Basin area. The marine environment is of particular interest owing to the current through Fury and Hecla Strait, which provides year-round open water in the vicinity.

"There are few scientific facilities in the Eastern Arctic, where much of the Arctic population lives," said Northern Affairs Minister Jean Chrétien in making the announcement. "Since the establishment of the scientific research laboratory at Inuvik in 1963, the growing scientific interest in the North, as well as the increasing emphasis on development, has created a pressing need for facilities in the Eastern Arctic parallel to those that have been provided at Inuvik."

#### Mushroom-shaped structure

After study and research to obtain a building that would be modern, serviceable and adaptable to the surrounding terrain, a circular mushroom-shaped structure was chosen, which would contain the services required in an Arctic research laboratory.

The building will have as its centre a 680-square feet conference room, surrounded by the director's office, laboratories, the meteorological office, a library, a workshop, storage rooms, visitors' offices and a kitchen-dining area. The "stem" of the mushroom will house such utilities as heating and water storage.

#### Federal assistance for Quebec housing

Under the terms of an agreement with the Province of Quebec, the Federal Government will make available \$70 million during 1973 to enable the province to undertake municipal housing projects for low-income families, as well as projects for the elderly, for students and for handicapped children.

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The announcement was made recently by Ron Basford, federal Minister of State for Urban Affairs and Victor C. Goldbloom, Minister of Municipal Affairs and responsible for the Quebec Housing Corporation Act. The agreement was signed by H.W. Hignett, President of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation and by Jacques Bernier, President of Quebec Housing Corporation.

The Quebec Housing Corporation will make the federal funds directly available to municipalities, non-profit organizations and other authorized institutions.

The agreement also provides for additional funds to be available during 1973 should these be required by Quebec Housing Corporation for supplementary housing programs. The establishment of a committee to study techniques and procedures of housing and related programs is included also.

#### August at the NAC accents youth

The National Arts Centre in Ottawa has announced "August '73 at the NAC", a month of light entertainment with the accent on youth — shows for young people and by young people. Eric Nicol, the Vancouver playwright, called the NAC "the busy prime mover of the arts in Canada". August has always been the month during which the young Canadian professionals and companies offering programs specially chosen for young people, are invited to appear at the NAC. There will be rock concerts, rock ballet and rock opera, folk-dancing, medieval music, plays by young "underground" companies, Dixieland music, jazz three nights a week, country music, and Arthur Fiedler of the Boston Pops will conduct the Montreal Symphony Orchestra. No show will cost more than \$3 for admission.

The month will start off with the big band jazz sound of Nimmons 'N 9 + 6 in the Opera. The Royal Winnipeg Ballet will give the Ottawa première of their new Norbert Vesak rock ballet *What To Do Till the Messiah Comes*, the Mapleridge Singers of Ottawa will present their new rock opera *The Two Sides of Louis Riel*, based on the legendary revolutionary figure from the West of Canada, and there will also be a series of English and French rock

concerts throughout the month. Canada's national dance ensemble, Les Feux Follets, will appear for a two-week engagement in August and The Huggett Family return from England for a week with their medieval music... songs, dance and stories from the time of Robin Hood.

Farm Show, Les Jeunes Comédiens of Montreal, Land of the Young, the Earl Scruggs Revue, the Silver Fox Country Show, the Everly Brothers and a national fiddling contest are other attractions of the NAC in August.

#### Qantas and CP Air pool services

Qantas airlines of Australia and CP (Canadian Pacific) Air have entered into a pooling arrangement for their services between Australia and Canada, which began on April 1.

The agreement provides for the revenue from passengers, cargo and mail of both Qantas and CP Air services between Australia and Canada.

CP Air is also operating, as of May 5, a second weekly frequency into Australia, extending a service that had terminated in Fiji, and Qantas operates on a new route to Canada via Fiji and Tahiti.

The new Qantas route replaces the weekly extension to Vancouver of Qantas' regular San Francisco service. Operations on the new route began on April 6.

#### Stanley Cup finals and World Hockey Association finals

##### National Hockey League

April 29, Montreal 8, Chicago 3  
May 1, Montreal 4, Chicago 1  
May 3, Chicago 7, Montreal 4  
Montreal leads best of seven two games to one.

##### World Hockey Association

April 29, New England 7, Winnipeg 2  
May 2, New England 7, Winnipeg 4  
May 3, Winnipeg 4, New England 3  
New England leads best of seven two games to one.