

flects the keen interest taken by Canada in the development of teacher training facilities and the provision of adequate technical education institutions in Commonwealth countries. Both these indications that Canada is prepared to provide increased assistance for these purposes were extremely well received at the Conference.

The extension of the arrangements for training teachers in Canada and abroad will, of course, be undertaken as part of Canada's existing technical assistance programme to which the Provincial Departments of Education have made a most valuable contribution.

The idea of a Commonwealth Education Conference held at Montreal in 1958 when Canada proposed that in addition to the exchanges of teachers and students between Commonwealth countries which took place under the Technical Assistance Programme of the Colombo Plan, there should be exchanges at a high educational level to encompass the natural and social sciences, law and other academic disciplines not normally covered by technical assistance. It was agreed at Montreal that a conference should be held this year in the United Kingdom to formulate the scope and detailed arrangements for a reciprocal scholarship scheme and to review the existing arrangements for Commonwealth co-operation in all fields of education, particularly with respect to the supply and training of teachers and facilities for technical and scientific education which were known to be of particular concern to the under-developed countries and territories of the Commonwealth.

The Canadian Delegation at Oxford was headed by Mr. George Drew, Canadian High Commissioner in London and included Government officials and representatives of Canadian universities and other educational institutions and organizations located in B.C., the Prairie Provinces, Central Canada and The Maritimes.

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### INCO FELLOWSHIP

The establishment of a fellowship to honour the visit of Her Majesty, the Queen, and His Royal Highness, Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, to the nickel mines in the Sudbury area, was announced on July 25 by The International Nickel Company of Canada, Limited, and The Canada Council. Her Majesty and His Royal Highness went underground to view operations in Inco's Frood Mine which Her Majesty's Royal Parents visited a little more than 20 years ago, in June 1939.

By gracious permission of the Queen, the fellowship being established will be called "The Queen Elizabeth II Fellowship (The International Nickel Company of Canada, Limited, Royal Tour, 1959)." The purpose is to enable

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the successful candidate to follow an original line of research in the earth sciences. It will be a post-doctoral fellowship tenable for two years. The International Nickel Company of Canada, Limited, has deposited with The Canada Council a total of \$15,000 and the Council will supervise all arrangements for the fellowship. The selection of the fellow will be made by a special committee appointed by The National Conference of Canadian Universities and Colleges.

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### SEAWAY CARGO MOVEMENT

During June 2,787,000 tons of cargo were carried through the St. Lawrence River canals, according to preliminary traffic statistics issued by the Canadian and United States Seaway authorities. An increase of 69 per cent was shown over the cargo movement through the old St. Lawrence River canals in June 1958.

To the end of June 1959, the cumulative total was 5,431,000 tons, which showed an increase over the corresponding period last year of 45 per cent. The division of the traffic to date this year was 89 per cent bulk and 11 per cent general cargo.

### WELLAND CANAL

Cargo movement through the Welland Canal in June totalled 3,977,000 tons and increased 37 per cent over the figures for June last year. To June 30 the cumulative total was, in round figures, 8,000,000 tons, compared to 7,000,000 tons in 1958, the increase being 15 per cent. Here the division of the traffic was 93 per cent bulk and 7 per cent general cargo.

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### NEW APPOINTMENTS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Howard Green, has announced the following appointments in the Canadian Diplomatic Service:

Mr. J. A. Chapdelaine, as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Canada to Brazil to succeed Mr. W. Arthur Irwin, whose next posting will be announced later. Mr. Chapdelaine returned recently to Canada from Stockholm where he was Canadian Ambassador to Sweden and Minister to Finland. Mr. Chapdelaine will take up his duties in Rio de Janeiro shortly.

Mr. A. E. Ritchie, at present Minister in the Canadian Embassy in Washington, as Assistant Under-Secretary of State for External Affairs to replace Mr. D. V. LePan who recently took up an appointment at Queens University. It is expected that Mr. Ritchie will take up his new duties some time in September.