

organs annually for a turnover of \$3 million, and employs 250 craftsmen.

The Casavant brothers perfected in 1885 the adjustable combination pedal, and in 1892 they installed the first organ equipped with an effective electro-pneumatic traction. They have built organs for the Cathedral of Notre-Dame in Montreal, Ottawa's Basilica, Notre-Dame Basilica in Quebec, Saint-Paul's Church and the Royal York Hotel in Toronto, and for Emmanuel Church in Boston. Their hundredth instrument was delivered in 1899, after 25 years of operation. Five years later they delivered their two-hundredth organ, and after 45 years of operation they had installed a thousand. By 1925, no Canadian city was without a Casavant organ from the workshops of Saint-Hyacinthe, and at least 100 instruments were installed in more than 40 American states.

Immediately after the last war, the Casavant works kept up with the progress of their art by reopening their mechanical traction department, and in 1961 the first organ of this type was delivered.

## RELIEF FOR EAST PAKISTANI REFUGEES

*The following is a statement on motions by the Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Mitchell Sharp, in the House of Commons on May 28:*

During the past several days, a number of questions have been raised with regard to the nature of the Government's response to requests from the Government of India and the UN High Commissioner for Refugees for assistance in providing relief for refugees from East Pakistan. The House will recall that on May 18 the Secretary-General of the United Nations issued an appeal calling for urgent humanitarian assistance to relieve the plight of these refugees and sought the co-operation of governments and private organizations in a co-ordinated effort through the United Nations to alleviate their suffering.

The Government accepts without hesitation that the financial burden of providing relief cannot be borne by India alone. To help meet the urgent human needs in West Bengal and other border states, the Government is providing \$2 million in relief supplies including foodstuffs, medicines, medical supplies and cash contributions. This \$2 million is a supplementary contribution to the international emergency relief appropriation and will not affect the bilateral development assistance program for India.

It is most important that relief be provided in as effectively co-ordinated a manner as is possible. We are consulting closely with the United Nations in order to ensure that Canada's contribution will complement the contributions of other governmental and private donors who have indicated their willingness to contribute.

The longer-term needs arising out of the presence of the refugees in India are not yet known.

This contribution is designed to help meet the immediate needs of the situation.

The Government shares with Members on both sides of the House, and Canadians generally, the urgent wish to help bring relief to the suffering in East Pakistan. Adequate funds, needed supplies, means of transportation and the right kind of experts are all available. We are continuing, through the World Bank and other international organizations, to seek a way to deal with the problem. Our High Commissioner in Islamabad is urging upon the Government of Pakistan the need to admit relief supplies under proper international supervision and control. I regret that I cannot at this time report any significant progress.

## NEW NATO NETWORK

Canada's terminal for the NATO satellite-communication system being now built at Carp, near Ottawa, should be operational this summer.

The system, called SATCOM Phase II, is NATO's space-age network for political consultations and military communications. It consists of two satellites and 12 ground terminals in Belgium, Britain, Canada, Denmark, Germany, Greece, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Turkey, and the United States.

The ground-station, located near the seat of government in each country, will be linked to government and military headquarters by a telephone cable, or by a line-of-sight microwave system. Besides providing voice communications, each station will also be able to selectively communicate with others by satellite over teletype circuits.

Production of equipment for the system is shared by participating NATO countries.

The second communication satellite for the system was launched by the U.S. in February. Canada will supply high powered transmitters and teletype wire equipment for all 12 terminals.

## PICKFORD FILMS AT STRATFORD FESTIVAL

Nine classic motion pictures starring Mary Pickford, "America's Sweetheart", will be presented as a major feature of the Stratford International Film Festival. The "Tribute to Mary Pickford" - a collection of delightful films from the Golden Age of American Cinema - will be shown from September 11 to September 19.

Though Mary Pickford portrayed basically the "girl next door", her screen characters varied widely - from rich to poor, from young girls to mature women. Most of her films have not been seen for years but Miss Pickford decided to make them available again at this time, when older movies have become appreciated and enjoyed perhaps even more than when they were first released.