

of new prospectors. An information pamphlet on prospectors' assistance came off the press today, and supplies will be made available to all mining and prospectors' associations in Western Canada and the northern territories.

TRANSPORT POLICY

"In April, the new Territorial Roads Policy will come into effect in the Northwest Territories and the Yukon. This policy sets out a classification of all territorial roads and the financial arrangements for their construction and maintenance. Resource roads are defined as roads leading from public roads into regions where promising resources exist. These are of two types, one including mine-development roads, mine-access roads and tote-trails, the other known as "pioneer development roads."

"Pioneer development roads will be built entirely by the Federal Government and are intended to encourage the development of resource potential. The other category of roads provides for the Federal Government to assist industry in the construction of roads required by companies to explore and develop their properties. Mine-development roads, which will assist two or more companies who are developing a promising resource area, will be built entirely by the Federal Government with all costs paid by Ottawa. Mine-access roads, which will lead to an individual property, may be built by the company with the Federal Government paying two-thirds of the cost. Tote-trails, simple low-standard trails intended to provide a company with the means of moving equipment and supplies into its property, may be built by the company with the territorial government concerned contributing up to half the cost from a \$50,000 fund provided by the Federal Government.

"The Department of Northern Affairs is prepared to assist also in the construction of airstrips. Since 1957, each territory has received an annual vote of \$100,000 for helping finance the cost of airstrips to mine properties and since that year a total of \$133,000 has been contributed towards these vital transportation facilities.

ARCTIC FUEL EXTRACTION

"...Oil and gas exploration activity has also been encouraging. Several seismic crews are working on the mainland this winter and five drilling rigs are

working, one at Winter Harbour on Melville Island and the others in the Liard Basin. Several more exploratory wells are expected to be drilled during the winter season in the Liard Basin and the Eagle Plains area....

"Any prediction of the chances of the first well in the Arctic islands becoming a producing well would be very rash indeed. But I heartily commend the spirit of the oil companies that have financed this venture. Their spirit epitomizes the courage and enterprise that leads to progress and sets an example for those who will surely follow in their footsteps. Both the group of companies and the drilling contractor have gained invaluable experience already from this venture. Regardless of the ultimate outcome of their drilling, a great deal of geological knowledge will be acquired. The drilling contractor, Mr. Peter Bawden, in turn has become proficient in the logistics of moving a drilling rig to the Arctic islands and supporting its operation under severe climatic conditions. The total knowledge and experience gained from this exploratory well will be of immense value..."

PERMANENT DELEGATE TO OECD

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Howard Green, recently announced the appointment of Mr. James Coningsby Langley as Permanent Representative of Canada to the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development in Paris. Canada is a full member of this Organization, which replaces the former Organization for European Economic Co-operation, in which Canada was an associate member.

Mr. Langley was born in Ottawa in 1922. After completing his early schooling in Japan and England, he joined the British Army in 1941. He saw service in the United Kingdom and India, and was discharged in 1946 with the rank of Captain. He graduated from Oxford University in 1949 and received a Masters degree from the University of Toronto the following year.

Since joining the Department of External Affairs in 1950, Mr. Langley has served abroad in Brussels, Indochina and Washington. He will leave his present assignment as Counsellor at the Canadian Embassy in Washington to take up his new appointment in mid-February.

...This will become the only major production...
...developed and will go into production in the fall of 1962. This will become the only major production...
...mine in Canada and add significantly to the annual...
...mineral production of the North since 1958, when the...
...discovery was made, this whole region has opened up...
...and is rapidly taking shape as an important new mi-
...realized area.
...to aid the exploration and development of this...
...transport deposit the Federal Government has as-
...stated the company with transportation facilities.
...in fact we revised our development road programme to...
...meet the special circumstances surrounding this...
...project. We are contributing 50 per cent of the cost...
...of the mine airstrip and two-thirds of the cost of 50...
...miles of the access road that leads from Mile 62 of...
...the Watson Lake-Ross River Road. Another natural...
...good ground.