

passengers requiring customs clearance at Canadian customs offices adjoining the site.

While there are a few cases where airport runways cross the Canada-United States border to provide customs and other facilities for both countries, this will be the first time that a taxiway has been built to link up with an airport on the other side of the border.

Four airports have runways stretching across both sides of the border. At Avey State Emergency Airport, near Cascade, B.C., the runway extends some 200 feet into Canada. Three others are Border International near Estevan, and Scobey Border Station, near East Poplar, Saskatchewan, and Ross International, near Coultts, Alberta.

ABOUT TIME, GENTLEMEN, PLEASE

Five officers of the North Nova Scotia Highlanders Regiment recently returned to the *Victoria and Albert* in Gosport, England, for another round of drinks - 23 years after downing a last "pint" before taking part in the invasion of Normandy. They found the local pub unchanged, except that the barmaid who had worked there in 1944 had become the licensee.

The men were returning to Canada after re-visiting Authie in France, where they had unveiled a plaque to 84 members of their former regiment who died during the invasion.

Colonel Charles Petch left a regimental flag for the *Victoria and Albert* and Major L.M. Rhodenizer brought home the tray on which the pre-Normandy drinks had been served. Other members of the group were Captain Hilton Mersereau, Major Cyril F. Kennedy and Chaplain Captain Graydon Cox.

HIGHEST VOLTAGE LINE

Twin lines 600 miles long will transmit hydro-electric power at 900,000 volts to Winnipeg from the Manitoba Hydro power-site at Kettle Rapids on the Nelson River. The project, the highest-voltage transmission system in the world, is expected to cost \$170 million.

Atomic Energy of Canada is responsible for the construction of the power-lines which should begin to carry current by 1971. This is the first phase in the development of the Nelson River power potential, which exceeds 5 million kilowatts, the cost of which, including transmission facilities, will exceed \$400 million.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

Canadian births registered in provincial offices during September were down 5.5 per cent, to 29,621 from 31,354 in September 1966. Registrations in New Brunswick, Saskatchewan and Alberta increased during the month, while the other provinces showed a drop from the 1966 levels. The cumulative total for 1967 (283,632) was 4.7 percent below the nine-month total of 297,611 in 1966.

There were 18,503 marriages during September, compared to 20,058 in September 1966, increases being reported in all provinces except Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Quebec. In the January-September period the number of marriages was up 3.4 per cent, to 118,530 from 114,654 in the same period last year. A total of 11,687 death registrations was reported to provincial offices during September, slightly below the September 1966 total of 12,090. The nine-month total of 111,751 was 1.7 percent below last year's total of 113,730.