

## CANADIAN TATTOO AT SEATTLE

Some 750 Canadian servicemen and members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police will participate in the Canadian tattoo at the Seattle World's Fair from September 10 to 15. It is the first military tattoo of its size to be written and produced by Canadian service personnel and staged outside the country. It will be presented nightly as part of the "Canada Week" programme.

Besides the tattoo, which will include the RCMP Musical Ride, the RCAF will present each afternoon an aerial display by the "Golden Hawks" flying team and a daily concert by the 100-piece band of the Royal Canadian Air Force. During Canada Week, an escort squadron of the Royal Canadian Navy will be at anchor in the port of Seattle. The ships will be open for public inspection.

The spectacle will start with a 50-man guard of honour from the Canadian Guards, who will form up with the regimental band for inspection.

### HISTORIC ATMOSPHERE

The tattoo will depict the three phases of Canada's military past (French, British and Canadian), with all troops performing in the dress uniform of the periods represented.

At the west end of the "Century 21" stadium, a large facade some 45 feet in height will represent a typical stone fortification of the 1800 era. The basic architectural design will combine elements from Fort Henry, near Kingston, Ontario, the Citadel at Quebec City and Halifax Citadel. The martello tower will represent the one now standing in Point Pleasant Park in Halifax. The 75,000 people who are expected to witness the tattoo will thus obtain a

### COMMERCIAL FAILURES

Business failures recorded under the provisions of the Bankruptcy and Winding up Acts in the first three months of the year totalled 839, and increase of 10.5 per cent over last year's 759 in the same period. The estimated total liabilities was \$30,467,000, a decrease of 1.7 per cent from \$30,974,000 a year earlier.

The largest number of failures occurred in the trade sector, at 397 compared to 342 a year earlier. Failures in manufacturing numbered 90, compared to 81 a year ago; construction, 147 against 146; transportation, communication and utilities, 46 against 33; and service, 113 against 122.

There were 443 bankruptcies in Quebec during the first quarter of 1962 compared to 437 in the same 1961 period, and estimated liabilities totalled \$11,538,000 against \$13,102,000. Business failures in Ontario totalled 298 against 244, and liabilities amounted to \$13,892,000 against \$12,004,000. The number in the Atlantic Provinces was 6 (12 a year earlier); in Manitoba, 9 (11); in Saskatchewan, 8 (6); in Alberta, 32 (11); and in British Columbia, 43 (38).

realistic view of military exercises as they were conducted many years ago. Behind this facade a 50-piece concert band will provide background music.

The Canadian Guards and the Lord Strathcona's Horse military bands will march and play as a massed band, as will bands from HMCS "Naden" and the RCAF.

French-period sentry will be provided by the 3rd Battalion, Royal 22e Regiment. Soldiers of this unit will carry out a sentry-mounting drill dating from about 1755. A British sentry mounting will also be demonstrated; it will be preceded by the firing of a six-pounder field gun by the 2nd Regiment, Royal Canadian Horse Artillery.

A scene from the tattoo entitled "Highland Heritage" will feature 80 pipers and 24 Highland dancers. The dancers will be from the Regimental Depot of The Black Watch (Royal Highland Regiment) of Canada, and the pipers will be drawn from the 2nd Battalion, Canadian Guards, and the RCAF. A third pipe band has not yet been named.

Following the Highland display, 33 soldiers from the 3rd Field Squadron, Royal Canadian Engineers, dressed as wooden soldiers will perform precision drill movements without word of command.

After the Musical Ride, a 100-man contingent from the 2nd Battalion, Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, will fire the traditional "Feu de Joie". The finale, with all troops participating, will feature the playing of "Crimond" and "Sunset and Retreat". The "Last Post" will be sounded by a lone trumpeter located in semi-darkness on the facade.

The entire programme, with narration and music throughout will last about two hours.

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### MESSAGE TO LAOS

The Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Howard Green, has instructed Mr. Paul Bridle, Canadian Commissioner on the International Commission in Laos, to convey the following message to Prince Souvanna Phouma, who will head the new Laotian Government of National Union:

"I should like to convey to you my own gratification and that of the Canadian Government on the agreement to form under your leadership a Government of National Union dedicated to a policy of independence, integrity and neutrality. I sincerely hope that this will mark the beginning of a new and happier period for the people of Laos and will open the way to a final accord at the Geneva Conference. I wish to assure you that Canada remains prepared, in co-operation with the Government of Laos and with the other members of the International Commission, to assist in every practicable way in the carrying out of the agreed settlement."