

reminder to elected officials that they are the servants of the public. And on a planetary scale, the Queen links Canada to her Western European heritage and to her partners in the Commonwealth. The silver jubilee is thus an ideal time for Canadians to reflect on the benefits of constitutional monarchism.

Queen Elizabeth herself defined the work of the Crown in Canada. "The role of a constitutional monarch is to personify the democratic state," she noted, later adding that "the Crown is an idea more than a person, and I would like the Crown in Canada to represent everything that is best and most admired in the Canadian ideal."

Mint makes foreign money

Supply and Services Minister Jean-Pierre Goyer announced on February 3 that the Royal Canadian Mint had been awarded contracts by several countries to manufacture their coins.

These contracts, which call for the production of over 650 million coins and blanks, represent the largest group of orders ever received by the Mint from foreign markets.

Orders received from Bangladesh, Barbados, Costa Rica, Israel, Nicaragua, Panama and Portugal have a total value of \$6 million. Production is already under way and deliveries will begin during 1977 and continue into next year.

"These contracts will have a very favourable impact on the Mint workforce in 1977," Mr. Goyer said. "...The orders will result in a considerable increase in the production of coinage at the Mint and provide additional work for the mints in Ottawa, Hull and Winnipeg. I feel that we have gained an important share of the international coinage market and we shall now redouble our efforts in order to obtain additional orders that will provide more work for our three mints...."

Cadets get new uniforms

More than 60,000 young Canadians who belong to cadet corps across the country are being issued with new green uniforms, similar in colour to those worn by members of the Canadian Forces. The cost will be ap-

proximately \$7.6 million.

The new working issue, which differs from the traditional dress uniform, is designed for challenging cadet training and activities.

In addition to the bush-style jacket, slacks and shoes, each sea, army and air cadet will receive a turtle-neck sweater for winter wear, a crew-neck T-shirt for summer, and suitable head-dress.

Leaders of cadet leagues and senior Armed forces officers will choose distinctive badges and colour combinations for the sweater and headdress of each cadet service.

Defence Minister Barney Danson said he understood the deep attachment some cadet leagues and their leaders had for the old uniforms.

"But it is the nature of the exciting and challenging programs, that many dedicated volunteer officers and parents support, that is the main attraction and value of the cadet leagues," he said.

Canada's cadet program is designed to develop qualities of leadership, fitness, citizenship, and military skills in boys and girls from the ages of 13 to 18. While not a direct part of the Forces, the cadets draw on the military for instructors, facilities and funds.

Canada/U.S. discuss fishing zones

Considerable progress was reported by delegates from Canada and the United States who met in Los Angeles, January 17 to 28 to continue discussions on future fisheries relations between the two countries, particularly in respect to "practical fisheries matters". Both Canada and the U.S. are proceeding with the extension of their jurisdiction over fisheries off their coasts out to 200 miles. The Canadian extension became effective January 1, 1977; the United States extension will be effective on March 1, 1977.

Fishermen of each country have fisheries interests in areas which are now, or soon will be, within the zone of the other. The two governments are engaged in discussions to determine the arrangements and terms and conditions under which such fisheries could go forward until December 31, 1977. The purpose of the Los Angeles meeting was to identify the specific fishing interests of both countries, to review the regulations which would apply to those fisheries should an agreement be reached, to review the condition of the stocks of certain fisheries, and to seek to elaborate a pact for 1977.



Prince Andrew, second in line to the Throne, spent a weekend in Ottawa recently during a break from his studies at Lakefield College, near Peterborough, Ontario, at the invitation of

Governor-General and Mrs. Léger. He joins the Prime Minister and his family (above) before lunching with them at their house at Harrington Lake, near Ottawa, on February 5.