

## STAMP PROGRAM

In a news release issued last September, the Post Office Department outlined the subjects to be commemorated in its 1971 stamp program. To these has been added a special issue to honour Quebec's former Minister of Labour and Immigration, Pierre Laporte, who was assassinated in October. This stamp, commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of the year of Mr. Laporte's birth, will be issued in October 1971.

The dates on which the 1971 special and commemorative stamps will be released are as follows:

February 12 - hundredth anniversary of the birth of Emily Carr;

March 3 - fiftieth anniversary of the discovery of insulin;

March 24 - hundredth anniversary of the birth of Sir Ernest Rutherford;

April 14 - maple leaf in four seasons - spring;

May 7 - hundredth anniversary of the death of Louis Joseph Papineau;

May 7 - two-hundredth anniversary of Samuel Heame's expedition to the Coppermine River;

June 1 - centennial of national census-taking;

June 1 - opening of the new Canadian Broadcasting Corporation International Service transmitters;

June 16 - maple leaf in four seasons - summer;

July 20 - hundredth anniversary of British Columbia's entry into Confederation;

August 18 - hundredth anniversary of the death of Paul Kane;

September 15 - maple leaf in four seasons - autumn;

October 6 - Christmas;

October 20 - fiftieth anniversary of the year of the birth of Pierre Laporte;

November 12 - maple leaf in four seasons - winter.

## STUDENT EMPLOYMENT CONFERENCE

The Canadian Council on Social Development, in response to what its director recently termed an "explosive" youth-employment problem, will convene in Ottawa at the end of February a three-day national conference of about 175 individuals and agency representatives to discuss with federal officials the summer employment of students and services for transient young people. The announcement was made by Reuben C. Baetz, executive director of the Council, at the recent biennial conference in Regina, Saskatchewan, of community funds and councils of Canada.

### RESULT OF SURVEY

Mr. Baetz told the meeting:

"We have been moved to act as a result of our recent cross-country survey of transient-youth

programs during the past summer and because of the growing number of representations from agencies such as community funds and councils, as well as provincial and municipal government bodies, to convene such a meeting before Federal Government plans have 'gelled' for the coming summer....

"We do not question the prerogative of the Federal Government to make final decisions on the degree and extent of its participation in services to transient youth and student employment opportunities.

"However, we are convinced that prior consultation with an adequate representative group of provincial and municipal officials, non-government bodies and, of course, the youth themselves, will immeasurably strengthen and facilitate implementation of any federal plans."

Mr. Baetz said the Council's survey showed that, though some Canadians were prepared to accept as inevitable some of the shortcomings of the Government's 1970 hostel crash program, it was clear that many would be much less tolerant if future measures were not more fully related to and supportive of local effort.

## TANZANIA DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Mr. Mitchell Sharp, Secretary of State for External Affairs, announced recently that Canada would provide \$4 million for the development of agriculture, forestry and electric power in Tanzania. This program of technical and economic assistance will be financed by the Canadian International Development Agency under three agreements signed recently in the East African country.

Tanzania will purchase Canadian equipment and material for its growing power-transmission network through an interest-free \$2-million development loan. Energy demands in Tanzania are rising about 11 per cent annually, and with assistance from the World Bank, Canada and Sweden, the Government plans to spend about \$65 million on power-generation and power-transmission projects in the next four years as part of its program of rural development and economic decentralization.

An inventory of Tanzania's five most important timber-growing areas will be carried out by Canadian consultants during the next three years under a CIDA development loan of \$800,000. This survey is an essential first step toward a forest industry planned to include logging units, sawmills and plywood factories.

Through the third agreement, CIDA will provide technical assistance for five years to help solve some of the most urgent problems limiting cereal production in Tanzania. The field work and research will be carried out by about ten specialists provided by the Canada Department of Agriculture; a foundation will be set up to provide continuing research on crop improvement; and Tanzanians will be trained to assume technical and professional staff positions.