

News briefs

Three Canadians were among the 18 North Americans who were awarded Carnegie Medals for heroism by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission. Last month Nova Scotia engineer George MacNeil, who entered a gas-filled hole to save a man; Frank Baine, who helped save two teen-agers from drowning in Georgian Bay in July 1981; and Kristine Milanovic, who saved a seven-year-old boy from drowning in Bosk Lake, B.C. in July 1982, were all honoured posthumously.

The multilingual service of the National Library of Canada in Ottawa, currently has collections in 27 languages. The largest collections of the service, which handles material in languages other than English and French, are in Chinese, Dutch, German, Italian, Spanish, Ukrainian, Polish, Hindi, Hungarian and Portuguese. According to the library's 1983-84 annual report, 27 302 volumes were added to the collections and 38 350 were shipped to deposit centres across Canada during the year.

A working conference on public health policy sponsored through The Health and Welfare Canada's Health Promotion Contribution program is being organized in Toronto, October 9-12, by the Canadian Public Health Association. During the conference Canadian and international policy analysts and policy makers will be invited to discuss and develop health awareness and health promotion policies. This approach recognizes that better health does not necessarily depend on the health care system but can be achieved through changes in our physical and social environments and our individual and community lifestyles.

One hundred social workers from developing countries are currently engaged in a six-week training course in 20 Canadian institutions. The program, made possible by a \$250 000 grant from the Canadian International Development Agency, was organized by the International Council for Social Welfare/Canada. The courses were designed to perfect the expertise of the participants in areas such as social development, hygiene and the rehabilitation of the handicapped. As part of the program, the social workers participated in three international conferences on social development in Montreal in early August.

The second annual Border Lines Festival of American and Canadian Writing will be held October 2-4, 1984 at the Detroit Institute of Arts. The festival will include representations of readings by Daphne Marlatt, Margaret Atwood, and Marty Gervais from Canada and Leslie Reese, Ed Sanders, and Lewis Warsh from the US.

CAE Electronics Ltd., a subsidiary of Toronto's CAE Industries Ltd., has been awarded a contract valued at more than \$19 million, the Toronto-based company has announced. For Singapore Airlines, the company will manufacture two aircraft simulators, one for a Boeing 757, the other for the Airbus A-310-200.

Canada Cooler, a refreshing wine punch marketed by Chateau Gai and Casabello, 15 now available in liquor stores across Canada. Developed for the large proportion of Canadians who do not like beer or real wine, Canada Cooler has a sugar rating of 5 (a nondiet soft drink rates about 18), 4.5 per cent alcohol and a lemon flavour. Sales will be in six-packs of non-stubby bottles. Makers expect to capture 5 per cent to 10 per cent of the Canadian wine market.

Following the news that Honda will invest \$100 million in an auto assembly plant in Canada, General Motors says it will spend \$225 million to retool its engine plant and foundry in St. Catharines, Ontario. A new fuel-efficient V-6 will be produced. Also, \$764-million plans have been announced by American Motors of Canada to build a state of-the-art plant in Brampton, Ontario, to assemble up to 150 000 vehicles a year. AMC will introduce a new series of intermediate size cars in July 1987.

The purchase of two de Havilland Twin Otter aircraft by Leeward Islands Air Transport is helping to improve air services in the eastern Caribbean archipelago. The \$6.1-million deal, which also involves the supply of spare parts and technical assistance for maintenance, was financed through the Canadian International Devel opment Agency. Four Twin Otters have also been acquired by Puerto Rican-based Crown Air which operates in the northeast Caribbean.

The "Battery Park Project", a five-tower complex to be erected on the southern tip of Manhattan Island, New York, will use Quebec granite to cover the walls and floors of all five buildings and the complex's central plaza. Granicor Inc. of Saint-Augustin in the Quebec City area, will be providing 0.1 billion square metres of granite slabs for the project.

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A little wobbly on the pins



A tottering four-day-old lamb at Bronte Creek Provincial Park near Toronto is not too sure it wants to meet Taylor Brown, 3, of Oakville, Ontario.

