

Welfare Department program to employ or otherwise involve in activities an estimated 2,000 students at a cost of about \$3 million. Individual awards will range up to \$2,000 in value.

Over 600 young Canadians are expected to benefit from the educational-grant program; another 700 will be involved in studies and surveys related to drug abuse; and the remaining students will work on various health and welfare programs across Canada.

It is also proposed to hold a clinic for student-athletes in the Atlantic Provinces, which would provide concentrated training in several sports over a period of four to six weeks. Participants will receive living and travel allowances and an educational grant.

Some 150 students will be involved in a facility-study under the Fitness and Amateur Sport Directorate. This would begin one of the major recommendations of the Task Force Report on Sport For Canadians. A total of \$220,000 has been allocated for the study this year.

For the first time in Canadian history, the facility-study, will examine such things as the quality of existing facilities, how much they are being used and by whom, non-use and leadership availability. An attempt will be made to determine what is happening with available facilities, analyze it in relation to what should be happening, and thereby learn how the gap and consequent level of dissatisfaction might be narrowed.

In consideration of the 1976 Montreal Olympics, the study will give priority to looking at facilities related to Olympic sports.

A drug-abuse program will involve 700 students, some of whom will be used as interviewers in sociological survey work related to the drug-addiction problem. Others will be active in education and information programs related to the non-medical use of drugs. The main objective is to provide a system of information from youth during the summer, as a basis for ongoing programs throughout the year. It is estimated that this part of the Department's program will cost \$980,000.

#### MILITIA TRAINING

Militia training and work projects at Canadian Forces bases will be provided by the Department of National Defence. Between 6,000 and 8,000 young people will be accepted for special militia training and another 3,000 to 4,000 will be hired for a range of civilian employment. In addition to the special militia training, 7,000 soldiers involved in the normal militia program will attend summer camps.

This year's special summer militia program will consist of two types of course. In one seven-week course, young men between 16 and 24 years of age will be accepted. Three weeks of general military training will be followed by three weeks of a modified infantry program at local armouries. The course will

conclude with one week at a summer militia camp for weapons-training and simple field exercises.

The other course is designed for those who took basic training under last year's plan, and serving militia soldiers who are in the same age bracket. The seven weeks of training, to be conducted at training centres and bases, will consist of a leadership course based on junior non-commissioned-officer standards followed by adventure training.

Successful applicants will be enrolled as privates and will get \$7 a day while on basic training and \$7.50 a day after completing the basic training. They will have the same status as other members of the militia, with the opportunity to serve after summer training if they wish.

In addition, the Department will hire young men, aged 17 to 24, for range-clearance projects at several Canadian Forces bases for at least eight weeks.

In a new scheme this year, the Defence Department will provide an opportunity for some 2,000 young people between 16 and 24 years of age to receive six weeks of instruction at Mobile Command bases across Canada, in first aid, hunter safety, bush survival, search and rescue, water safety, watermanship, citizenship, adventure training, leadership and instructional techniques.

Prime Minister Trudeau, in announcing the summer activities to the House of Commons last month, summarized as follows the Government's views on summer youth programs to be implemented this year:

"The Government expects a valuable return on the resources it will allocate this summer, and it believes that other governments, private organizations and businesses hold out the same expectation. There is work to be done; there are tasks to be performed; there are experiences to be gained. There is a whole country to be explored. There is a generation desirous of improving the world in which it finds itself. This summer will challenge us all to accomplish these ends."

#### DENTAL ASSOCIATION GRANT

A national health grant of \$13,000 for the Canadian Dental Association was announced recently by Mr. John Munro, Minister of National Health and Welfare, to continue and conclude a survey of dental practice in Canada.

Background information on the training and employment of dentists, the incomes of dental personnel, dentists' expenses and fees, the implications of group practice dentistry, factors influencing the recent graduate's selection of the location of a practice and the cost of dental education and establishment of a practice will be analyzed.

The results of the survey will help governments and health agencies plan the provision and distribution of dental services.