



*Under the Canada-France cultural-exchange program, the External Affairs Department organizes each year, jointly with the Public Service Commission, a tour of Canada by graduates of the National School of Administration in Paris. Pictured above is a group of French officials arriving at Dawson City on Aug. 28, 1972.*

During 1972 the Department helped to organize Canadian participation in three major UNESCO conferences. The first was the intergovernmental conference on European cultural policies (Helsinki, June 1972) in which Canada took part as a full member. Headed by the Secretary of State, Gérard Pelletier, the Canadian delegation made a notable contribution to the discussions on modern means of communication, democratization of culture and cultural indicators. Canada also participated in the third conference on adult education held in Tokyo during the summer. The Canadian delegation was headed on this occasion by Mr. Peter Nicholson, Nova Scotia's Minister of Education. Lastly, we participated in the seventeenth UNESCO General Conference, held in Paris in the

fall. Professor Napoléon Leblanc of Laval University was chairman of the Canadian delegation, and the vice-chairman was Mr. Gordon Bennett, a minister of the Prince Edward Island government. Canada's contribution was particularly noteworthy on the subjects of education, scientific documentation, oceanography, legal and financial questions and historic sites and monuments.

### **Information**

The Department carries out two kinds of activities under this heading. First, there are its information programs abroad which are designed to provide channels of communication with the citizens of foreign