

Aleutian Islands to the scorched Egyptian desert and a hundred places in between. By the time the Second World War ended, the RCAF had become the fourth largest Allied Air Force.

After the Second World War, the RCAF greatly dwindled in size but it continued to carry out a vital role both in Canada and overseas on NORAD, NATO and UN assignments. In 1964, with integration, the RCAF ceased to exist. Today the air element of the Canadian Armed Forces fly whenever and wherever they are needed, and uphold the proud traditions of RCAF fliers who went before them.

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### Hospital grants

Health and Welfare Minister Marc Lalonde recently announced that the Federal Health Resources Fund had awarded 18 grants totalling \$29,298,832 to be used in the planning, construction, renovation or purchase of equipment in health-training or health-research facilities.

The Saint John, New Brunswick, regional hospital will receive \$182,889 for its planning program. Facilities will be expanded to offer specialized services to the whole province.

L'Hôpital de l'Enfant-Jésus de Québec will receive \$2,698,800 for the construction of a new wing.

L'Hôpital Saint-Sacrement de Québec will receive \$355,580 for renovations.

The City of Laval's new hospital complex will receive \$10,179,285 for the construction of a new 335-bed hospital to serve 240,000 people.

The Maisonneuve Hospital will receive \$3,301,038 for the construction of a service unit for teaching and research.

Two grants totalling \$3,110,469

awarded to the Montreal Heart Institute will be used to enlarge the present building. Construction work is to be completed in 1975. A further grant of \$2,612,444 has been awarded to l'Institut de Diagnostic et de Recherches Cliniques de Montréal for the conversion of existing facilities as well as the addition of three floors.

The Health Resources Fund has awarded a grant of \$489,994 to Sainte Justine Hospital in Montreal for research laboratories.

The Woodroffe campus of Algonquin College in Ottawa will receive a \$239,976-grant to assist with the cost of facilities provided for the training of students of dental hygiene and dental assistants.

Hospitals in the Kingston area will share two grants: St. Mary's of the Lake Hospital will receive \$1,828,550 to assist in the renovation and expansion of the hospital; the Kingston General Hospital will receive \$1,539,918 to assist with the cost of building a new ambulatory-patient clinic. The hospital is adjacent to Queen's University and a number of medical students and nurses will use this clinic as part of their training.

In Toronto, the Sunnybrook Hospital will receive two grants totalling \$1,450,708 to assist with renovation costs. The former Veterans' Hospital will become a modern teaching institution for students of the University of Toronto.

The University Hospital, Saskatoon, will receive \$131,000 to assist with the cost of an addition to its building. It will house the rehabilitation medicine program providing treatment facilities for physiotherapy and occupational therapy.

The Holy Cross Hospital in Calgary will receive a \$895,446-grant for its psychiatry unit.

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### Successful season for National Ballet

The National Ballet of Canada returned to Toronto in the second week of May from an eight-week tour of the United States, with guest artist Rudolf Nureyev.

The Company closed a 16-performance engagement at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York, last stop on the tour, to a packed house including stand-

ing room. In their 55 performances in the U.S. the Company played to a total attendance of 169,973 people and an average audience-capacity of 80 per cent. Opening in Boston on March 12, the Company appeared in Chicago, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Milwaukee, Detroit, Hartford and Providence prior to New York.

The U.S. tour concluded the National Ballet's 1973/74 season, with the artists now on holiday and reassembling for rehearsal in Toronto on June 20. Since the beginning of the 1973/74 season at Ontario Place last August the Company gave 149 performances and played to 418,577 people in Canada and the United States. Ontario Place '73 was followed by engagements in Hamilton, Windsor and London (Ontario) and the Western tour to Edmonton, Calgary, Winnipeg, Regina and Saskatoon in the fall. In November it staged the Choreographic Workshop in Toronto and played the Toronto and Ottawa engagements of *The Nutcracker* at Christmas and the spring season with guest artist Rudolf Nureyev in Toronto and Ottawa in February and March prior to the U.S. tour. Including rehearsal and performances, the National Ballet season ran 44 weeks of the year.

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### Canadian housing 1973

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intergovernmental approach was endorsed and supported by delegates to the Federal-Provincial Conference on Housing in Ottawa last January. Housing was an important matter for discussion at the national Tri-level Conference on Urban Affairs in Edmonton in October, at a number of provincial tri-level conferences, and at bilateral conferences with the provinces. In December the Minister, accompanied by CMHC officials, made a tour of provincial capitals to meet appropriate ministers and discuss a number of issues, including implementation of the new programs, increased activity in land assembly, and legislative provisions of an improved Sewage Treatment Assistance Program.

Finally, as the year ended, the Corporation was ready to enter the first phase of its reorganization plan for decentralizing its authority and resources to local offices.

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