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*“Alberta at the Turn of the Century” is the theme of an exhibit at the Public Archives of Canada, Ottawa on view until June 15.*

*Some 200 photographs from the Provincial Museum and Archives of Alberta, Edmonton, depict a unique pictorial record of life in the years just before and after the fur-trading territory became a province. The display concentrates on people – Indians,*

*homesteaders, missionaries, miners, merchants – whose family and social life, sports, recreation, fur trade, farming methods, transportation and “Klondike madness”, all provided material for the four photographers whose work is represented. “Washing gold with a grissely at Edmonton 1890”, is the title of the photo (above), which is one of those on display.*

### Giant UN conference-exposition slated for Vancouver

*Minister of State for Urban Affairs Ron Basford recently announced to the House of Commons that the “largest international conference ever held in Canada” – the United Nations Conference and Exposition on Human Settlement – would meet in Vancouver, British Columbia, in 1976. His statement follows:*

Last June I reported that Canada had extended an invitation to the United Nations Conference on Human Environment in Stockholm to host a major United Nations Conference and Exposition on Human Settlement. This invitation was very well received by the United Nations and it has been agreed to stage the conference-exposition in Vancouver. I am pleased to report that the province of British Columbia and the city of Vancouver have agreed to accommodate and support this major world forum as host province and host city. It will be the largest international conference ever held in Canada, bringing between 4,000 and 5,000 participants from 130 countries.

Originally, the General Assembly had agreed that the conference-exposition should be in 1975. At the request of the United Nations, they have obtained agreement of member states to shift the date to June 1976.

The conference-exposition will be the first United Nations meeting devoted exclusively to the subject of human settlements and human habitation. Instead of identifying problems and determining directions for future research, the point will be to present, in various forms, answers that have been found. Policies will be discussed; resolutions for action will be proposed. But, most important, will be the demonstration of solutions. Much of the action will be in the form of demonstra-

tion projects. Some of these will have a national focus; others will have regional significance; and those of more universal interest will be exhibited in Vancouver. Canadian demonstration projects will be especially important since conference participants will be able to see them, both before and after the meetings take place, at different locations across the country.

### Participation by provinces

The provinces have been consulted on this matter since our initiative in Stockholm last June and we will be working in close co-operation with them preparing for the conference and in selecting Canadian demonstration projects. I have sent letters to all the provincial premiers, inviting them to designate a minister and officials to join us in planning Canada's participation....

### Spaghetti scientists look toward European appetites

Unless you were raised on it, eating spaghetti is an art to marvel at. The well-fed gourmet with napkin tucked under his chin, desperately struggling to capture the unruly strands on his inadequate fork, is an overworked comedy scene. But the look of satisfaction that comes over his face with the first successful bite is enough to make your mouth water.

That's why it may come as a bit of a shock to learn that they're feeding spaghetti to a machine at the Canadian Grain Commission's Grain Research Laboratory in Winnipeg, Manitoba!

But hold on.

They're doing it so you can enjoy your spaghetti even more, and it is hoped, so the connoisseurs of Europe and Italy in particular – will take notice of what Canada may have around the corner for international durum sales.

The machine puts a bite on things – literally. And in this case, it's on cooked spaghetti from Canadian durum wheat.

“We call it an apparatus-for-measuring-the-tenderness-of-cooked-spaghetti ghetti,” says Bob Matsuo, a chemist who heads the country's quality-control program for durum wheat at the laboratory.