

### Pearson papers presented to Public Archives

The personal papers of the late Prime Minister Lester Bowles Pearson, have been donated to the Public Archives of Canada by the Pearson family.

The "Lester B. Pearson Papers" include correspondence, memoranda, working files, speeches, clippings, photographs and tapes documenting Mr. Pearson's career as a public servant, diplomat, politician and statesman.

Documents related to the pre-1948 years, and all speeches and clippings, are immediately open to researchers. More recent material will become accessible in subsequent years.

The presentation of the Pearson Papers to the Archives follows a tradition begun by former Prime Minister William Lyon Mackenzie King, who stipulated that his papers be preserved for future generations by the Public Archives.

The "Prime Ministers Papers Collection" of the Archives now contains original or microfilm records of almost all former prime ministers, as well as the majority of federal Leaders of the Opposition. They form a unique body of information related to Canada's social and political history.



*Mrs. Maryon Pearson, widow of Prime Minister Pearson, listens to a tribute to her late husband by Dr. W.I. Smith,*

*Dominion Archivist, when she recently presented the "Lester B. Pearson Papers" to the National Archives.*

### Suspended injunction gives go-ahead on James Bay project

As a result of a suspended injunction, construction has resumed on the James Bay hydroelectric power project in northwestern Quebec (see *Canada Weekly*, dated November 28, P. 1).

The injunction that had been granted to halt the work was suspended on November 22 by a panel of three judges of the Quebec Court of Appeal who ruled unanimously that the bill establishing the James Bay Development Corporation (JBDC), the developers, was constitutional until ruled unconstitutional or repealed. The court ruled that the legislation was passed in the general and public interest of Quebec and that the public interest outweighed the interest of "2,000 native peoples in the James Bay region".

The temporary injunction granted by

the Quebec Superior Court to cease work will now remain suspended until the appeal is decided or until the court decides otherwise.

James O'Reilly, lawyer for the native people, stated that he would ask the Supreme Court of Canada for permission to appeal the suspension which, if granted, means that the injunction would go into effect and work would again cease.

The developers had appealed the injunction of the Quebec Superior Court on the grounds that a halt in construction was a serious and costly delay in harnessing the hydroelectric potential of La Grande River, 600 miles north of Montreal. They said the work stoppage was costing the JBDC and its subcontractors some \$500,000 a day with a lay-off of about 3,000 workmen.

### Canadian ice-skaters in Moscow

Canada will send a team to the Moscow Figure Skating competition, to be held from December 9 to 14.

Ron Shaver is entered in the men's singles event; Marian Murray and Glenn Moore will compete in the pairs.

Toller Cranston, Canada's top contender for the world championships, and Sandra and Val Bezic, the 1973 senior Canadian pair champions, will not be competing but will take part in the exhibition program.

Mrs. Joan MacLagan of Calgary was named for a position on the judges' panel; Stanley L. Allen of Kanata, Ontario, vice-president of the Canadian Figure Skating Association, will be the team's representative.

The Moscow Skate is a senior international competition for ladies and men's singles, pairs and ice dancing.