

an exhibit of live snakes, salamanders, frogs, turtles and newts; and a display of precious and semi-precious stones, as well as native gold and copper ores.

On view at the National Museum of Science and Technology were the private railway carriages of Canada's Governors-General since 1925. The National Gallery of Canada had on display three valuable sculptures and an early drawing by Van Gogh, all recent acquisitions. One of these — a marble representation of a dancer by Antonio Canova — is believed to be the most important piece of sculpture owned by the Gallery.

The Canadian War Museum and the National Aeronautical Collection at the Uplands Airport also mounted special exhibits during Museums Week.

On five evenings during the week, films were shown of museums and historic buildings and locations throughout the world.

Canadian Museums Week is sponsored by the International Council of Museums, a Paris-based organization that promotes international co-operation among museums and organizes international meetings and seminars for the exchange of ideas and information.

GRANT TO QUEBEC MEDICAL CENTRE

Approval of a contribution of \$14,314,592 from the Federal Government's Health Resources Fund for the Medical Centre at the University of Sherbrooke, Quebec, was announced recently by National Health and Welfare Minister Allan J. MacEachen.

The amount is the second largest approved since the implementation of the Health Resources Fund and is exceeded only by the \$18.5-million assistance provided to the Medical Sciences Centre of the University of Toronto.

"The financial aid that we are able to provide the University of Sherbrooke under terms of the Fund will do much to help the development plan of the Medical Centre," Mr. MacEachen said. "This includes the gradual integration of the university's various schools, covering all of the health sciences, either completed or in the process of being built. They are the School of Medicine, a graduate School of Nursing, a graduate School of Physiotherapy, a graduate School of Medical Librarians, and a university hospital."

The School of Medicine admitted its first 64 students in September 1966. The university hospital is expected to be completed by the end of the year or early in 1969. The graduate schools of nursing and physiotherapy should take their first students in September 1969, and the graduate school of medical librarians is expected to open about the same time.

More than an estimated 1,000 graduate and undergraduate students are expected to be enrolled in medicine, nursing, physiotherapy and archives programmes by the end of 1975.

The estimated date of completion for buildings that are part of the project is February 1969.

TERMS OF FUND

Under the terms of the Health Resources Fund, financial assistance is provided for up to 50 per cent of the costs incurred in the construction, equipping, acquisition and renovation of health-training facilities, such as medical schools, teaching hospitals and research institutions, after January 1, 1966.

In addition to the Health Resources Fund of \$500 million for the 15 years from 1966 to 1980, the Health Resources Programme includes studies to examine all aspects of the supply of health manpower and necessary recommendations. The Health Resources Programme also provides a consultation service in the areas of health, manpower and education.

FINANCIAL AID TO CUSO

Mr. Mitchell Sharp, Secretary of State for External Affairs has announced that Canada will contribute up to \$2,374,000 from 1968 to 1969 to the Canadian University Service Overseas to assist in sending Canadians to work in the developing countries.

CUSO, established in 1961 by Canadian universities and several national organizations, is a private, non-denominational body which sends professionally- and technically-qualified Canadians to serve as volunteers for two years in less-developed nations.

Mr. Sharp noted that the Canadian Government had increased its support for CUSO's work since 1964. Government grants to CUSO in 1966, totalled over \$700,000 and in 1967 the figure was \$1.8 million. CUSO has also received growing support from universities and colleges, the Canadian business community, private individuals and institutions.

The new federal grant is part of a new \$5-million fund in the external aid budget, which has been set up to support projects of voluntary organizations that are expanding their international development assistance.

At present, CUSO has over 800 volunteers in 40 developing countries in Asia, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and, by autumn, more than 1,000 volunteers will be overseas. The volunteers, graduates of post-secondary school institutions, include teachers, doctors, nurses, social workers, agriculturalists, engineers, foresters, home economists, architects, geologists, librarians, laboratory technicians, pharmacists and hospital administrators.

MONTREAL IN THE MAJORS

Canada will be represented in 1969 in the National Baseball League, whose team owners have granted a franchise to Montreal. The league will be expanded from 10 to 12 teams next year, with the inclusion of San Diego in addition to Montreal.

Promoters of the new team hope that regular supporters will be drawn to games in Montreal from nearby points in the United States, as well as from a wide area in Eastern Canada.