

Europe, North and South America, Africa, Asia and Australia. The conference will be opened by Sir Herbert Read, its Honorary President.

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### CANADIANS IN NATO CONTEST

Five top RCAF "Sabre" pilots will compete against teams from Norway, West Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium, and Britain in the European NATO air-to-air gunnery championships in the Netherlands this month.

The competition involves both live firing at a towed target and camera-gun exercises against other aircraft. Pilots will be flying at 35,000 feet during the camera-gun attacks and at 25,000 during their live firing.

Designed to test pilot ability, team efficiency and the operational effectiveness of the ground-support organization, the competition was first held in 1958. It was won then by the RCAF Air Division, which has held it ever since.

The trophy itself, a slender silver cup which resembles the French "Mirage 11" jet fighter, was donated by the Marcel Dassault aircraft firm.

At first, the contest was among teams assigned to Allied Air Forces Central Europe. Since then it has expanded, and may now be considered to be the air-to-air gunnery championship of the NATO Air Forces in Europe.

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### CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES

Consumer price indexes between March and April rose in nine of the ten regional cities. The index for Vancouver remained unchanged. Increases ranged from 0.2 per cent in Halifax and Saint John to 0.6 per cent in St. John's.

Food indexes rose in all cities, with increases ranging from 0.3 per cent in Halifax to 1.8 per cent in Winnipeg. Housing indexes were down in three cities, up in four, and unchanged in the other three. Clothing indexes were higher in five cities, lower in two, and unchanged in three. The transportation index rose in all cities. There were seven higher health- and personal-care indexes, one lower, and two unchanged. Recreation and reading rose in five cities and fell in five. The indexes for tobacco and alcohol were constant in all cities except Montreal, where they increased.

### REVISED INDEXES

This month introduces revised regional-city indexes, in which the items included, and their weights, have been brought into line with more current family spending habits, as recorded in the family-expenditure survey of 1957, the indexes previously having been based on expenditure patterns in 1947-48. The revised indexes continue on the time base 1949=100. The methods and techniques employed in revising these city indexes are identical with those used in revising the national consumer price index a year ago; a comprehensive review of these is available in the occasional paper 62-518 "The Consumer Price Index for Canada (1949-100) Revision Based on 1957 Expenditures".

The revised 1957 weighted indexes for the ten cities are shown at the all-items level for both March and April 1962 and for the more comprehensive groups for April 1962. These new indexes have been linked to, and are identical with, the 1947-48 weighted indexes already published for February 1962. For March 1962, the new all-items indexes are, in almost all cases, also identical to the 1947-48 weighted indexes already published for that month, with some of the group indexes somewhat different in some cities. As of now, the 1947-48 weighted indexes are discontinued and the regional city indexes will be the 1957 weighted indexes.

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### CANADIAN FILM AWARDS

On May 26, Dr. Andrew Stewart, chairman of the Board of Broadcast Governors, presented 17 awards to leading Canadian film-makers. The occasion was the fourteenth annual presentation of the Canadian Film Awards, which took place before a luncheon crowd of film-producers, award-adjudicators and representatives of the press, radio and television in the Crystal Ballroom of the King Edward Hotel, Toronto.

### CENSOR HONOURED

O.J. Silverthorne, chairman of the Ontario Board of Censors for over 25 years, received a special award "in recognition of his generous interest in the problems of film-producers, film-users and film viewers, and particularly his continued helpfulness to Canadian Film Awards and to the film-society movement".

Claude Savard, an amateur Montreal film-maker, accepted the trophy awarded by the Association of Motion Picture Producers and Laboratories of Canada for the best amateur film, "Au temps des ombres blanches". Awards of merit were presented to the five best amateur films.

### PROFESSIONAL WINNERS

The best films in each of the following professional categories also received awards of merit: *Theatrical* - "Moming on the Lièvre", produced by the National Film Board of Canada; *Non-Theatrical* - (a) *children's films* - "Dance Squared", by the National Film Board; (b) *general information* - "Circle of the Sun" NFB; *Public Relations* - (a) "Campus on the Move" - Crawley Films, Limited; (b) "Abibiti" - Crawley Films; *Sales & Promotion* - "Project Sentinel" - Crawley Films.

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### ROAD GRADERS FOR ARGENTINA

The sale of Canadian road graders to Argentina has been announced under an agreement between the Dominion Road Machinery Co., Limited, of Goderich, Ontario, and the Argentine Province of La Pampa. This is the first installment of a transaction that is expected to be completed over the next few months, involving the sale of some 260 road graders valued at \$5 million to provincial governments in the Argentine.