

Immigration procedures for Cypriots

Manpower and Immigration Minister Robert Andras recently announced that urgent measures were being taken to expedite the movement to Canada from Cyprus of sponsored relatives or persons nominated by Canadian citizens or legal permanent residents of Canada. Immigration officers in Canada have been instructed to forward immediately all applications by Canadian residents to sponsor or nominate relatives in Cyprus. Some 100 applications are in various stages of processing.

These arrangements apply to relatives of Canadians of Cypriot origin, or relatives of Cypriots legally resident in Canada. Canada will work with the United Nations and with other countries to bring together, legally and humanely, separated families. These measures are designed to bring to Canada as quickly as possible those Cypriots who have been sponsored or nominated as immigrants by their relatives now living in this country.

Canada/Soviet Union hockey series tied in Canada

At September 30, the Canada and U.S.S.R. eight-game hockey series was tied, with Canada winning one, the Soviet Union one, and two games even.

The first game, played in Quebec City, resulted in a 3-3 tie, the second, in Toronto, gave Canada a 4-1 win. In Winnipeg the U.S.S.R. won 8-5 and the final game in Canada, played in Vancouver, ended with a score of 5-5.

The series continues in the Soviet Union with the fifth game slated for October 1.

Ottawa/Budapest student exchange

Ottawa's Carleton University and the Institute of Cultural Relations in Budapest, Hungary have agreed to an annual exchange of one or two faculty members for a period of up to five months and of two graduate students for a period of up to ten months. The sending party covers the cost of return transportation; the host country provides a monthly stipend, accommodations, and study facilities.

New road sign helps handicapped

Like the rest of us, the handicapped driver also suffers the unexpected and unforeseeable mishap and is not always able to attract attention by raising the hood of the car or by walking to obtain help.

For this reason, a special flag has been designed as shown in the accompanying photograph. A driver seeing the sign is asked to contact the nearest police detachment and send help — it is not necessary for the motorist to stop.

The flags are made for permanent use, of strong vinyl and have a built in hanger which hooks over the edge of the driver's window.



World civil aviation authority meets in Montreal

The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) is holding its twenty-first session of the Assembly of its member states in Montreal. The Assembly, from September 24 to October 16, includes delegations representing 129 member states of ICAO and various international organizations whose interests are related to civil aviation. (ICAO is recognized as the world's civil aviation authority responsible for international matters concerning safety and efficiency of air navigation, technological and economical development of international civil air transportation and legal matters in the international aviation field. The Organization is also the responsible agency for aviation technical assistance to the world's developing nations.)

The Assembly will elect the member states that will constitute the Organization's Council at ICAO's headquarters over the next three years, and will approve the Organization's budgets for 1975, 1976 and 1977. Among other important items, the Assembly will study: the role of civil aviation in the relation between technological advancement and the human environment; the economic situation of international civil air transportation; the development of new policies and activities related to air navigation; policies and activities of ICAO technical assistance provided under the United Nations Development Program; and financial assessments for

ICAO member states to defray the expenses of the Organization for the years 1975 to 1977. A number of other matters relating to the policies, function and activities are also scheduled for discussion.

ICAO was established in 1944 to assure the safe, orderly and economic development of world civil air transportation. Headquarters were established in Montreal in 1947. In addition to a new Montreal headquarters building, currently under construction, the Organization has regional offices in Bangkok, Cairo, Dakar, Lima, Mexico City and Paris.

August housing starts down

Housing starts during August were at a seasonally-adjusted annual rate of 206,100 for all areas, according to preliminary figures released by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Actual starts during the month in the urban areas were 14,683, a decline of 25 per cent from 19,622 for the same month one year ago. Cumulative urban starts for 1974 reached 121,794, a drop of 9 per cent from the 134,261 starts in the comparative eight-month period last year.

The January-August total this year reflected an increase of 2 per cent in the volume of starts on single-detached dwellings and a decline of 17 per cent in multiple-housing activity.