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Heralded by bagpipes, the sound of trumpets, a choir and a 19-gun salute, John Diefenbaker, the former leader of the Conservative Party and Prime Minister of Canada from 1957 to 1963, has made a spectacular return to Parliament Hill. The largerthan-life statue of him measures almost three metres in height.

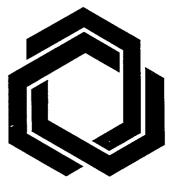
In Ottawa, opponents of a plan to locate the new US embassy on Mile Circle are buoyed by the news that an independent firm has been commissioned to do an environmental study of the proposed site.

Joan Frommer, spokesman for the Save the Circle Committee, said her organization has been pushing to have the study done by an independent organization since the National Capital Commission, the body responsible for recommending a site for the embassy, said it would conduct the study itself.

Ronald Lefebvre, chief of staff for Public Works Minister Stuart McInnis, said the Minister suggested the NCC bring in an "expert of national or international status." The study would look at the potential economic, social and environmental effects of the embassy on the area.

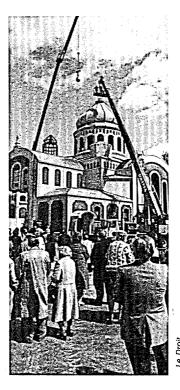


The National Arts Centre. The National Arts Centre was conceived for the Canadian Centenary (1967) as the major project of the federal



government in the National Capital Region. The first public performance was given on June 2, 1969. The maximum number of seats in the four performance halls is: Opera, 2 326; Theatre, 969; Studio, 350; Salon, 150. L'Atelier (333 King Edward Avenue) is a pocket theatre. NAC programming includes all performing arts disciplines. Each year at the Centre some 245 attractions are presented in over 855 performances to an audience exceeding 695 000 (average, last ten years). The National Arts Centre Corporation is funded through eamed revenues and an annual appropriation from the Parliament of Canada. The Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton also makes an annual grant. The building site was donated by the City of Ottawa.

Ottawa's Ukrainian Catholic community now has a basilica. Constructed not far from Hog's Back Falls, at the end of Green Valley Street, the Saint John the Baptist Basilica will represent a total cost of \$3 million. There are about 200 families in the community, which through the generosity of other Ukrainian Catholics in the rest of Canada and in the United States is now able to attest to the presence of Canadians of Ukrainian origin in Canada and in so doing, to enrich the architectural mosaic of the National Capital.



STATISTICS CANADA

Statistics Canada's annual report reveals that police-reported violations of the Criminal Code rose by 1.2% in 1985, and crime with violence was up 5.8%. Reassuring, isn't it?