



*The Honourable J. W. Pickersgill, Canada's Minister of Transport (left), welcomes the delegates to the fifteenth session of the International Civil Aviation Organization in Montreal. Seated by the speaker are Madame Claire Kirkland-Casgrain, Minister of Transport and Communications for the Province of Quebec, and Mr. B. T. Twigt, Secretary-General of ICAO.*

The Montreal Assembly contributed substantially to the "quiet accomplishments" of ICAO. It discussed a wide variety of international civil aviation problems and approved a series of policy resolutions to guide the work of the Organization in the technical, legal, economic and administrative fields during the next three years.

### **Technical Assistance Operations**

The Assembly considered a comprehensive review of the technical-assistance activities of the Organization during the past 14 years and expressed satisfaction that these were benefiting the assisted states. The recipient states were asked to concentrate their requests for technical assistance on the ground services for civil aviation, including the training of personnel, and were invited to draw up long-range plans for that purpose. The Assembly also reminded the recipients of their obligation to provide the best qualified personnel possible to work with the internationally-recruited experts and take over eventually from them. Since many developing countries have difficulty in finding candidates with sufficient background in such subjects as mathematics and science, the Assembly suggested that