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## Prime Minister visits Mexico for talks with the President

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau visited Mexico, January 13-16, at the invitation of Mexican President José Lopez Portillo.

It was the first meeting of the two this year, though they met three times in 1981. Mexico has become an important partner for Canada and in recent years, there have been frequent high-level exchanges on bilateral and multilateral subjects.

During this meeting, the two leaders discussed bilateral relations and focused on international issues such as the North-South dialogue and political turbulence in Central America.

Prime Minister Trudeau and President Lopez Portillo expressed satisfaction with the growth in trade between the two countries. Trade is now valued at \$1.7 billion a year and is expected to keep growing.

During the visit, it was announced that Mitel Corporation, a telecommunications firm from Ottawa, had signed a contract

to sell \$50 million in advanced telephone switching equipment to Mexico.

### Joint business ventures

The two leaders discussed further possibilities for joint ventures in the transportation, mining and construction sectors. They also spoke of the possibility of a financial co-operation agreement.

Prime Minister Trudeau also met with Canadian businessmen while in Mexico City. Canadian exports to Mexico in 1981 are estimated to have reached \$720 million compared with \$483 million in 1980. Imports from Mexico for 1981 are estimated at \$1 billion compared with \$345 million in 1980.

A number of joint ventures between Canadian and Mexican companies were started last year including a \$100-million purchase of subway equipment. There are now 120 or more such joint ventures including one for development of a large silver mine which could produce seven



Accompanied by President José Lopez Portillo (right), Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau waves to the crowd at the airport in Mexico while his son Sacha gathers the flowers thrown by the crowd.



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Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau (second from left), receives the key to Mexico City from Mayor Hank Gonzales (in front of flag), in the presence of two municipal officials.

million ounces of silver, representing 15 per cent of the country's annual production.

Since the signing of an industrial co-operation agreement between Canada and Mexico last year, Mexico now supplies some 10 per cent of Canada's imported petroleum and has become an export market for Canadian high-technology products.

Prime Minister Trudeau and President Lopez Portillo discussed a bid by Atomic Energy Canada Limited for construction of CANDU nuclear reactors in Mexico. Canada is bidding for the multi-billion dollar contract to build the reactors required for the Mexican nuclear power program.

President Lopez Portillo indicated that Mexico would like to purchase more Canadian dairy products, oil seed and wheat. The Mexican president also said he would like a resumption of air transport negotiations between the two countries and closer collaboration on law of the sea negotiations.

#### North-South relations reviewed

During their talks, the two leaders focused on the question of improving relations between the world's rich and poor nations. Mr. Trudeau and Mr. Lopez Portillo, who jointly chaired a 22-nation summit on North-South relations last October in Cancun, Mexico, agreed that the conference had been "remarkably successful". Both men expressed disap-

pointment over the fact that the conference had not led to concrete actions on the question of global negotiations at the United Nations. The two leaders agreed to send follow-up letters to the participants at the Cancun meeting.

In a speech at a state dinner, Prime Minister Trudeau called for quick action by government leaders to expand the dialogue between industrialized and poor countries; he also expressed his satisfaction with the rapid development of Canada's relations with Mexico which he said had been "expanding more rapidly



Mexican Foreign Minister Jorge Castaneda (right), accompanies Mr. Trudeau and Sacha to airplane at departure.

than with any other country".

On the subject of Central America, the Prime Minister said, "Canada like Mexico believes conflicts in the region should be resolved by political rather than military means and without interference by outside powers".

Canada and Mexico, along with the United States and Venezuela, are involved in the four-nation Caribbean Basin Initiative by which the four richest countries of the region hope to encourage basic economic and social development in the less developed countries of the area.

During his visit, Mr. Trudeau officially opened the Canadian Embassy in a ceremony attended by President Lopez Portillo. Prime Minister Trudeau also attended a wreath-laying ceremony at the Monument to Niños Héroes and was presented with the key to Mexico City. In addition, he made a brief tour of the Templo Mayor archaeological site.

#### Canada-Greece social security pact

Canada has signed a social security agreement with Greece.

The agreement was signed in Montreal by Canadian Health and Welfare Minister Monique Bégin and Greek Ambassador to Canada Emmanuel Megalokonomos.

The agreement, which has yet to be ratified by the Greek Parliament, is the fifth of its kind for Canada. Similar agreements exist with Italy, France, Portugal and the United States.

The agreement co-ordinates the operation of the Canada Pension Plan, the Old Age Security Act and Greek social security programs which provide disability, old age, death and survivors' benefits. Approximately 5,000 persons (2,200 in Canada, 2,800 in Greece) will benefit from the agreement. As well, an unknown number of persons will be receiving benefits solely from Greece.

Persons who have acquired social security credits in both countries will be able to combine them to satisfy the minimum eligibility requirements for benefits paid by one or both countries. The agreement attempts to correct situations where a person would be ineligible for social security benefits owing to a gap in coverage following a move from one country to the other.

In addition, the agreement eliminates duplicate coverage. It ensures, where possible, that individuals contribute to the program of one country only, rather than both at the same time.

Bob Cooper photos



## Federal government reorganizes

The federal government has announced changes in its structure designed to put greater emphasis on regional economic development.

The reorganization includes the redesign of two economic ministries and the expansion of the Department of External Affairs.

The changes represent a major redistribution of responsibilities in the economic and foreign policy spheres with accompanying organizational and personnel changes. Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau in announcing the changes said "the government is taking action to promote economic development and generate employment in the medium and long term in every region of Canada. This reorganization is a necessary response to changing regional and industrial circumstances and a more competitive and complex trading world".

The reorganization which has begun is expected to be finalized by an Act of Parliament in the spring.

### New agency set up

Under the reorganization, the Ministry of State for Economic and Regional Development is being created by adding regional policy and co-ordination functions to those of the existing Ministry of State for Economic Development. The new agency will have direct input into the Cabinet and the budgetary process.

The government's industrial policies and programs which support regional development strategies will become the responsibility of the new Department of Regional Industrial Expansion. It is being established through the amalgamation of the regional programs of the Department of Regional Economic Expansion and the industry, small business and tourism aspects of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

Recognizing that trade encompasses all sectors of the Canadian economy, the Department of External Affairs is being greatly expanded to pursue international export markets for resource products, manufactured goods, and services produced in all regions of Canada and give greater priority to economic matters in the development of foreign policy. All the trade functions formerly performed by the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce are being transferred to the Department of External Affairs along with responsibility for the Export Devel-

opment Corporation and the Canadian Commercial Corporation.

Bud Olson, currently Minister of State for Economic Development, will become the new Minister of State for Economic and Regional Development. The ministry will allow for direct and convenient access to the federal government by provincial and municipal representatives in order to provide immediate information on regional needs and opportunities.

### Regional development

The Department of Regional Industrial Expansion will be headed by the current Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce Herb Gray, who is also Minister of Regional Economic Expansion during the interim. This new department will focus the government's industrial policies and programs in support of regional development strategies.

A triumvirate of ministers share responsibility for the operation of the expanded Department of External Affairs. The Secretary of State for External Affairs Mark MacGuigan retains his position and is being joined by Pierre De Bané as Minister of State for External Relations whose responsibilities include international social, cultural and humanitarian affairs, relations with francophone Africa, the Agency for Cultural and Technological Co-operation and related assignments, and Ed Lumley as Minister of State for International Trade, who will be responsible for the department's trade and export development activities.

## Free trade seen as positive solution to recession

Trade ministers of the major industrial powers decided at a meeting held recently in Key Biscayne, Florida, to encourage freer trade as a long-term response to recession.

Japanese Trade Minister Shintaro Abe, U.S. trade representative William Brock, the European Economic Community representative Wilhelm Haferkamp and the Canadian Minister of State for Trade Ed Lumley, all agreed to strengthen the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT).

The ministers acknowledged in a joint statement that it will be "difficult for some in the near term" to lower trade barriers amid rising unemployment and demands back home to reduce competing imports.

In the long run, though, freer trade

will help promote prosperity for all, they agreed. "Reduced impediments to international trade," their final statement said, "will lead to increased employment, lower inflation and improved productivity in all our countries".

The ministers look ahead to broader ministerial talks next November in Geneva under GATT.

## Relief agency founder retires

Lotta Hitschmanova, a familiar face among the world's poor, is stepping down as executive director of the Unitarian Service Committee (USC), an international relief agency based in Ottawa.

She has been appointed founding director of the agency and will write a history of the commission.

Miss Hitschmanova founded the USC Canada organization in 1945 to bring food and security to children left abandoned and hungry in areas devastated by the Second World War.

Since then the 72-year-old organizer has campaigned for funds to help the hungry and poor in underdeveloped countries around the world.

In 1980, she was appointed Companion of the Order of Canada by Governor General Edward Schreyer — the country's highest honour given in recognition of outstanding service to Canada.

The year before she was honoured by the Royal Bank of Canada for her "outstanding contribution to human welfare and the common good".



Lotta Hitschmanova



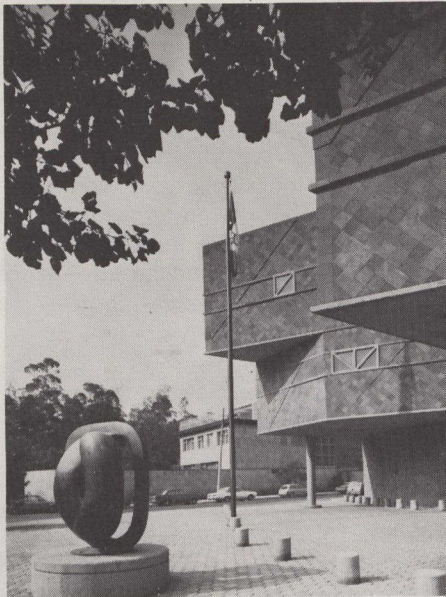
## New embassy opens in Mexico

Canada's new embassy in Mexico City is a monument to the interconnection of Mexico and Canada, according to its architect Etienne Gaboury of Winnipeg.

Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau opened the new embassy on January 15, during his visit to Mexico for meetings with President José Lopez Portillo.

The three-storey embassy stands on a trapezoid-shaped site behind the Museum of Anthropology near the Paseo de la Reforma. Gaboury's many-angled Cartesian design expresses the geometry of the site, which has one 60-degree corner and one 90-degree corner. These angles are repeated in the elevations, the offices and just about everything else with the exception of the plants; for variety the architect superimposed a grid of 45-degree angles in the lighting and mechanical systems. A more practical reason for the generous use of the diagonal, said Gaboury, is to fortify the embassy against seismic activity for which Mexico City is noted.

Symbolically the embassy was designed to express the interconnection of Mexico and Canada. The facade was inspired by the ancient Mayan city of Uxmal in the Yucatan and the blasted rock Canadians see from train windows. It is made of grey-brown-rose stone of varying thickness, mined from a mountain in Tlalpujahuac in the state of Michoacan. It took a team of 60 Mexican stonemasons over three months to chip it

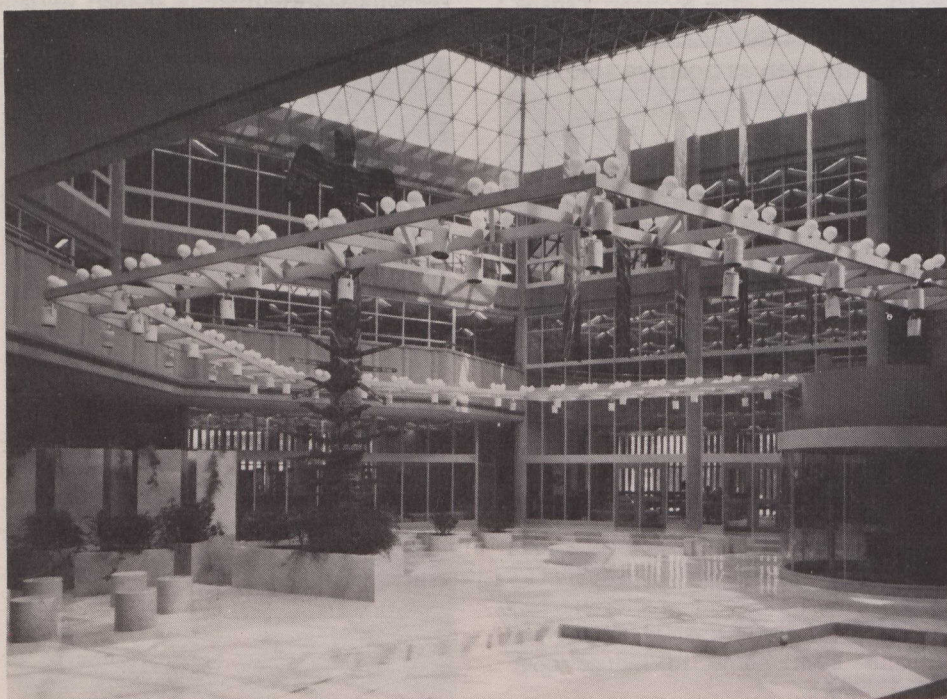


*Outside plaza of the embassy.*

into low relief and provide the pattern and texture Gaboury wanted.

### Interior Canadian

Inside a vast atrium space is paved in off-white marble triangles with the same dimensions as the steel triangles of the suspended lighting system above. "The prairies toward the mountains", is how Gaboury describes the courtyard. The seats and planters and Takao Tanabe's banners recall the colours and forms of the Canadian autumn, another prairie influence. Dominating the courtyard is a totem pole designed by Tony Hunt of



*Inner courtyard and atrium of new Canadian embassy in Mexico.*

Victoria, British Columbia; Gaboury introduced it because he said "the aborigines of Canada and Mexico are brothers".

Linking the outside and inside is an enormous pivoting door-gate fashioned by Mexican ironworkers. There are two little doors on ground level built to the scale of man and decorated in low-relief; they form part of the larger door built to the scale of the embassy and the street. Held in place by the ironwork is a stained glass dial made to Gaboury's specifications in Winnipeg. The most obvious reference is to the Aztec calendar, but the window mixes and matches Mexican and Canadian motifs in a blaze of red, yellow, blue and green light.

The embassy houses a two-storey library with a suspended ceiling and removable fixtures — the two systems are independent — and two floors of offices.

## Computers find hospital staff

Canadian hospitals are linking up to a new computer system called the national job exchange, which is designed to help hospitals hire qualified people for jobs from coast to coast.

The computer service works on the same principle as a computer dating system. A hospital feeds its requirements into computers, which then search memory banks for employees who are suited to the position.

For employees, the service is free. Their job histories and desired salaries are anonymously fed into the job exchange. A number disguises the employee's name, and the employee may request that certain hospitals be denied access to the information.

With those exceptions, any hospital in Canada can gain access to the list of employees for a fee of \$500.

The project was developed by a Montreal firm called Trans Canada Job Exchange. It operates the system in conjunction with the Canadian Hospital Association.

The service was started in October and during December it helped fill 25 vacancies. There are 350 hospital employees now registered on the list.

Currently only administrators are listed on the exchange but it is expected that the service will soon be expanded to include nurses, doctors and other personnel.

The new service should be less costly than the current practice of advertising in newspapers and it enables hospitals to look more broadly for personnel.



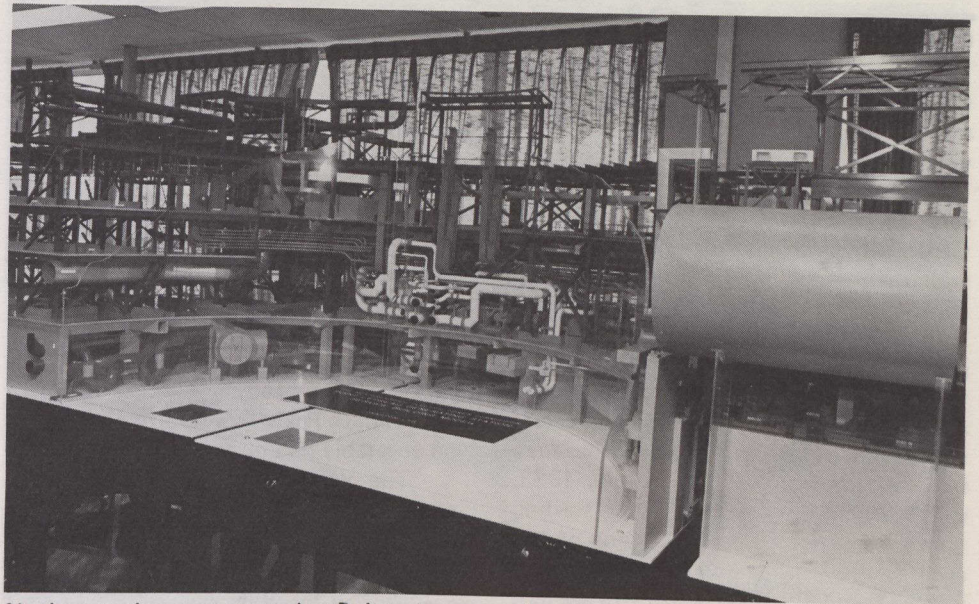
## Firm does consulting abroad

Canatom, the largest private consulting company in Canada in the area of nuclear engineering, provides 50 per cent of its services outside Canada.

The company was established in 1967 by three Canadian consulting firms: Montreal Engineering Company Limited, Shawinigan Engineering Company Limited and Surveyor, Nenniger & Chênevert Incorporated who have worked in the field of nuclear power since the 1950s. These firms had acquired their practical experience on the international scene by taking part in projects in more than 40 countries.

Canatom, based in Montreal, employs 600 people including 300 engineers. The services the company offers are strictly technological in nature: studies of all aspects of nuclear energy, seismological studies and site selection, designing, and studies and engineering on reactor construction.

At present, Canatom is working on four nuclear power stations, two in Canada



*Nuclear station constructed at Pointe Lepreau, New Brunswick by Canatom Inc.*

and two abroad. In 1969, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited gave the company one of its first contracts to design and supervise the construction of an experimental reactor in Taiwan.

Canatom is involved in several projects

in a number of countries including, Argentina, Korea, Romania and Mexico. In addition, the Egyptian government has shown interest in starting a nuclear program and has asked Canatom for its expertise.

## British Columbia coal company eyes rapid growth

Canada's coal exports are expected to more than double by 1985 and triple by 1990, according to Bruce Howe, president of British Columbia Resources Investment Corporation of Vancouver.

Mr. Howe, speaking to the Winnipeg Society of Financial Analysts, said a dramatic increase in world demand for coal would mean continued rapid and profitable growth for British Columbia Coal Limited, a British Columbia Resources subsidiary that operates open-pit and underground mines at Sparwood in southeastern British Columbia.

He said B.C. Coal — formerly Kaiser Resources Limited — is "the star performer" of British Columbia Resources' operation, which also includes large holdings in forest products and oil and gas. With 7,000 employees, the Vancouver company last year had sales of almost \$1 billion and assets worth \$1.7 billion.

### Largest coal exporter

Mr. Howe said B.C. Coal, already Canada's largest coal exporter, is further refining and improving its mines so it can take advantage of increasing world demand. The company is developing a new \$282-million mine at Greenhills, 40 kilometres (about 24 miles) north of Sparwood.

The mine, a joint venture with Pohang Iron and Steel Company of South Korea, will employ 600 people and produce 1.8 million metric tons of metallurgical coal a year as well as considerable quantities of thermal coal.

He said Westshore Terminals — a subsidiary of B.C. Coal — is proceeding on budget and on schedule with expansion of the Roberts Bank Superport near Vancouver. By 1983, the capacity of the port will be doubled to 22 million tons a year and ship berthing will be expanded to accommodate vessels of 250,000 dead-weight tons.

Mr. Howe said that in a further development, B.C. Coal International Limited, had been recently established to take over marketing of the company's coal from Kaiser Resources in April.

On oil and gas, he said B.C. Resources had invested \$200 million in the development of the 300-million-barrel South Brae oil field in the North Sea between Scotland and Norway.

This is the company's most significant oil and gas holding, but it is also investing in a promising balance of short and long term prospects in the United States, the Canadian Arctic, Alberta and British Columbia.

## Bangladesh fertilizer project backed

Canada is contributing \$25 million to a project that will help Bangladesh increase its fertilizer production.

Canadian steam generation equipment and related services will be provided through a grant from the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) as part of an internationally supported development project that will convert natural gas into urea fertilizer.

The project, one of the largest ever to be carried out in Bangladesh, calls for the construction in Chittagong, of an ammonia-urea fertilizer plant with a capacity of more than 500,000 tons of urea annually, enough to make Bangladesh self-sufficient in the 1980s. Bangladesh will pay for local costs while a group of donors will meet foreign-exchange costs.

Bangladesh has received more Canadian aid than any other developing country over the past few years. In 1980-81 CIDA spent \$74.4 million to provide food aid and to support a variety of projects in such fields as agriculture, power, transportation, forestry and social development. Canada also supplies potash, needed to keep the land productive, and CIDA contributes funds to help Canadian voluntary agencies carry out a variety of projects in Bangladesh.



## Canada-Germany air pact

Canada and the Federal Republic of Germany have reached agreement on a revised 1973 bilateral air transport accord.

The new agreement will expand air services between Germany and western Canada by carriers of both countries which until now have been served only by Air Canada on a restricted basis.

For Lufthansa German Airlines the new agreement will allow the introduction of new services to Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver. Services to Vancouver and to one of the two Alberta cities may be introduced as early as January 1983, with services to the third point starting two years later. Under the terms of the accord, the German carrier will be permitted to combine certain of its western Canadian services with its service to the western United States and to carry local traffic between Montreal and designated United States cities. Lufthansa already serves Montreal and Toronto on a regular basis.

Air Canada will be free to expand its services to points in the Federal Republic of Germany from any city in Canada. The Canadian carrier had previously been permitted to operate only a restricted number of frequencies. In addition, Air Canada will be granted flexibility in the carrying of local traffic between Germany and third countries, both en route to Germany and beyond Germany to points in Africa, the Middle East and Asia.

## Pakistan oilseed aid project

Canadian canola varieties are being grown in Pakistan to help that nation meet its domestic oilseed requirements.

Under a one-year international aid project sponsored by the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) of the United Nations, about five metric tons of Canadian canola seed were planted and harvested during the 1980-81 crop year in Pakistan. Canola is the name used by Canadian growers to designate rapeseed that is very low in erucic acid and glucosinolate content. Because of its chemical make-up, canola is more desirable for human food and livestock feed than other types of rapeseed.

The project is expected to help Pakistan meet its high domestic oilseed needs by putting more acreage under oilseed cultivation and increasing yields.

"Canola has a good future in Pakistan

because of the country's strong agricultural base and great oilseed demand," said Dr. Keith Downey of Agriculture Canada. Recent studies show great potential for improving dryland farming practices, particularly in the northern Punjab and northwest frontier regions, and canola will become a major crop in those areas.

Commercial canola production could also help Pakistan better feed its people, Dr. Downey said. Domestic production of canola, which is more nutritious and more readily used by industry than other types of rapeseed and mustard, could help reduce Pakistan's traditional reliance on vegetable oil imports.

"The winter crop was very good — many farmers despaired when they didn't get the rain they hoped for, but they still got excellent yields," said Dr. Downey.

Seeds from this year's harvest were sown last autumn to produce a commercial canola crop for crushing next spring.

The initial one-year project is being extended three years to improve marketing of the crop.

The Canadian government will send a Canadian canola refining expert to Pakistan this year to ensure proper processing of the 1982 crop.

## Skier wins in Switzerland

Canadian skier Gerry Sorensen won two consecutive World Cup downhill races recently on the women's circuit in Grindelwald, Switzerland.

Both victories came on the 3,200-



Gerry Sorensen

metre (199-mile) Tschuggen course. The 23-year-old national ski team member finished the first race in record time of 2 minutes 0.54 seconds, and in another race the following day bettered the record with a time of 2 minutes 0.14 seconds. The Tschuggen course, with a vertical drop of 655 metres, is the longest women's track on the circuit and is considered by some to be the most gruelling.

Sorensen, a native of Kimberley, British Columbia won her first World Cup downhill race over a similar course at Haus, Austria almost a year ago.

## Job bank speeds placements

The federal government will be operating a national job bank by the end of 1985, with 3,000 computers distributing information on workers and jobs to all Canada Employment Centres, Employment Minister Lloyd Axworthy has announced.

The Department of Employment and Immigration first started using computers for job placement in Hamilton in 1976 and has since extended the service to Vancouver, Ottawa-Hull, Toronto and Montreal. As the next step, the prairie region will be added to the network by June 1983, with the main computer being installed in Winnipeg and 400 terminals being placed in 47 other centres.

In the final phase, the service will be extended to Quebec City and major cities in the Atlantic provinces by 1985.

"Studies have shown that computerized job placement distributes orders four times faster than the manual method," Mr. Axworthy said. "Applicants and employers can be matched in six hours and 9 per cent more people are hired. The computer also frees our staff for more creative work, like counselling, as well as providing data that will enable us to anticipate worker shortages across the country," he said.

The new national computer system will also be used to process unemployment insurance claims, speeding up the service and providing better control of funds.

In job placement, the department is investigating the possibility of eventually installing terminals in shopping centres and private homes — a step that would further improve the efficiency of the service.

The federal government has allocated \$8.5 million to extend the job placement and unemployment insurance computer systems across Canada.



## Léger fellowship presented

Robert Hubbard, former chief curator of the National Gallery and cultural adviser to governors general, has been awarded the 1982 Jules and Gabrielle Léger Fellowship.

The fellowship was established by the government in 1979 to recognize the contributions of the late governor general and his wife to the vice-regal office.

Mr. Hubbard now is honorary historian and archivist at Rideau Hall, the residence of the governor general, and adjunct professor of art history at Carleton University.

The fellowship is worth \$20,000, plus up to \$5,000 for research and travel expenses. Previous recipients were Professor Jacques Monet of the University of Ottawa, James A. Gibson, president emeritus of Brock University and Professor Phillip A. Buckner of the University of New Brunswick.



Robert Hubbard (left) and Gabrielle Léger (right) view award while Governor General Edward Schreyer and Mrs. Schreyer look on.

## Smedley sculpture exhibition

*The Name of the Piece*, the first major Canadian exhibition of sculpture by British artist Geoffrey Smedley, opened January 9 at the Vancouver Art Gallery.

The exhibition is organized in three sections. In addition to sculpture, it includes finished drawings and preparatory sketches, most of it produced during the four years Smedley has been in Canada.

Smedley came to Canada in 1977 at the invitation of Queen's University where he was artist-in-residence for a year. He is currently associated with the Faculty of Fine Arts at the University of British Columbia.

A graduate of the Slade School of Fine Art, London, England, Smedley gave up figurative painting in 1957 to make "things" that would "deal with the reality behind appearances".

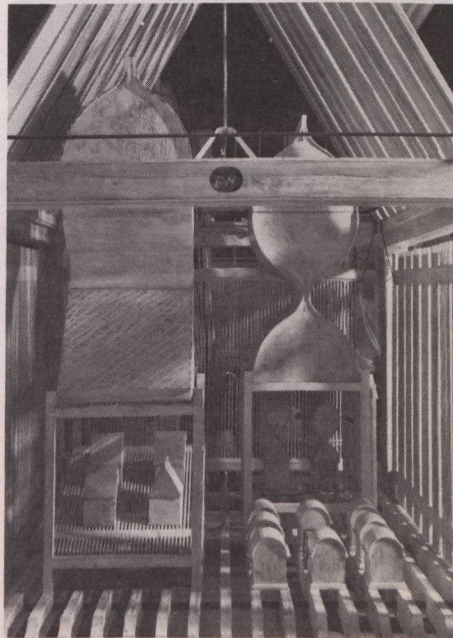
In the Sixties he joined the Artists' International Association, and although he submitted as a painter, he was elected to the group's sculpture section. A work purchased by the British Arts Council in 1964 was purchased as a sculpture and Smedley has been working in this medium ever since.

In 1972 he was invited to participate in the Forma Viva International Symposium of Sculpture in Pirano, Yugoslavia, where he created a sculpture garden. A second outdoor piece was built in 1974 for the "City Art Project"

at Victoria Park in Portsmouth.

The exhibition at the Vancouver Art Gallery was funded by grants from the Arts Council of Great Britain, the British Council, the Canada Council, the government of British Columbia through the British Columbia Cultural Fund and the British Columbia Lottery Fund.

An exhibition catalogue contains most of the works on display as well as a "parts list" in which the structural components of the sculptures are included.



Detail of a Completed Piece, wood and lead sculpture by Smedley.

## Broadcast foundation set up

A \$1-million foundation honouring Graham Spry who has been called the father of Canadian broadcasting will be established.

Founder and first president in 1930 of the Canadian Radio League, Spry has been a life-long advocate of public broadcasting and still is active at licensing and policy hearings of the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission and other government bodies.

The fund for a Graham Spry Academic Chair will be raised by public and private subscriptions and will endow university studies in broadcasting and related fields.

Spry and the Broadcasting League were instrumental in the government decision in the 1930s to make broadcasting in Canada a public responsibility.

The federal government is giving the Vancouver Museum \$78,166 to put towards the purchase of a rare Tsimshian carved frontlet. The frontlet is the carved wooden centrepiece of a West Coast Indian ceremonial crown or headdress. About seven inches high, it was very finely carved and painted in classical West Coast Indian style by native craftsmen of the Tsimshian language-group and, according to museum ethnologists, provides important evidence of their ceremonial traditions.

Robert Keziere, Vancouver Art Gallery



## News briefs

The federal government has approved construction of a new natural gas pipeline from North Bay to Morrisburg, Ontario. The project will provide additional pipeline capacity between Northern Ontario and Quebec to supply the Montreal area and new markets to be opened up as the gas pipeline is extended to the Maritimes. Communities in the upper Ottawa Valley will also have access to gas as an alternative heating source to more costly oil. Transcanada Pipelines Limited of Calgary, which will begin construction of the more than 380-kilometre line this summer, expects to complete the project by the summer of 1983 at an estimated cost of \$403 million.

The Manitoba government has authorized grants totalling \$77,000 for 14 self-help projects overseas. The money goes to the Manitoba Council for International Co-operation, which co-ordinates requests and allocates funds. The province matches dollar for dollar — to an approved maximum — the contribution from Manitoba-based agencies. These combined grants are then matched by the Canadian International Development Agency. The money will go to projects in Indonesia, Uganda, Zimbabwe, Benin, Peru, Kenya, Swaziland, Nepal, Colombia, Guatemala, Upper Volta, Ecuador and Costa Rica.



Cycling is a year-around sport for Roy Fowler of Ottawa and regardless of the weather the staunch member of the Ottawa Bicycle Club goes for a spin on his three-wheeler every day since he has retired.

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Energy, Mines and Resources Canada has approved the drilling of an exploratory well, 400 kilometres east of Halifax, Nova Scotia. The well, named Petro-Canada et al Banquereau C-21, will be drilled with the drilling unit *Bow Drill I*. This is the first well in Canadian waters for this vessel, the first semi-submersible wholly-owned by a Canadian company, Bow Valley Industries of Calgary, Alberta. Petro-Canada will be the operator for the Banquereau Group of companies.

The Export Development Corporation (EDC) has signed a \$7-million (U.S.) financing agreement to support a sale by Dominion Engineering Works Limited (DEWL) of Montreal to Fundidora Monterrey, S.A. of Mexico. The sale involves the supply of four grinding mills for use in an iron ore concentrating plant being built on the site of the Hercules iron mine in northern Mexico.

COM DEV Limited of Cambridge, Ontario has received \$926,000 in federal funds to help it become the Canadian supplier of surface acoustic wave devices. Surface acoustic wave devices process communications signals in a variety of ways for satellite communication and radar systems. The technology to be used by COM DEV Limited was developed by scientists at the Communications Research Centre of the Department of Communications.

Health and Welfare Canada has announced that Young Offenders Agreements with the provinces of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and the Yukon Territory are being renewed for 1981-82. Under these agreements, which came into force in 1974, the federal government shares in the cost of care and services provided young offenders under the control of correctional authorities. Such care and services are comparable to those provided by child welfare authorities.

The third ship in Canada's fisheries patrol fleet to carry the name *Cygnus* was christened recently at the Marystown Shipyard, Marystown, Newfoundland. The new 63-metre, \$13.6-million *Cygnus*, which is due to go into active service with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans this year, will be based at Halifax, Nova Scotia, and will undertake fisheries patrols within Canada's 200-mile Atlantic Coast fishing zone.

Pierre Harvey of Stoneham, Quebec won a 30 kilometre international cross country ski race in Castelrotto, Italy recently. Richard Weber of Cantley, Quebec finished ninth.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada has released a book that deals with Pacific coastal waters. The 291-page book, entitled *Oceanography of the British Columbia Coast*, deals with the physical aspects of the sea as exemplified by the Pacific Oceans and the coastal waters of British Columbia. Although principally devoted to waves, currents and tides, the book covers a broad spectrum of topics ranging from meteorology and marine biology to past and present marine geology.

International Minerals and Chemical Corporation (Canada) Limited of Esterhazy, Saskatchewan, and Potash Corporation of Saskatchewan are planning a \$250-million joint venture mine expansion that will raise potash production by 1.3 million metric tons a year by 1983. The planned expansion is still in a preliminary stage.

An association of Canadian co-operative financial and marketing institutions has signed an agreement-in-principle with the federal government which will enable these institutions to participate in a joint venture with the federal government in the oil and gas industry. Under the agreement, the Canadian government will match investment funds generated by the co-operative organizations over the next five years to a maximum of \$100 million.

The Canadian equestrian team won the Nations Cup at the recent festival of Sydney show jumping championships. Owing to stringent quarantine regulations the Canadians were unable to take their own horses to Australia and were compelled to ride with borrowed mounts. Jim Elder of Aurora, Ontario, Mark Laskin of Edmonton, Alberta, and Kim Kirtton of Inglewood, Ontario edged out competitors from Australia, New Zealand and Switzerland.

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