



# Oil Sands Research To Open In Edmonton

EDMONTON (CP)—A 70-man research station, the remains of a \$24,000,000 northern research project, will open here in January to study methods of unlocking the Athabasca of sands of northeastern Alberta.

The research station will be operated by Cities Service Athabasca Limited, an Edmonton-based firm which last month had an application for commercial production of the oil sands by the Alberta Oil and Gas Conservation Board.

The deferral resulted in a decision by Cities Service to close its of sands research project at Mildred Lake, 220 miles northeast of Edmonton. The company reported that it will be its affiliates had spent \$24,000,000 on the Mildred Lake project since it opened in 1959.

Company officials said that in view of the deferral decision the Mildred Lake project was not necessary. There were 150 employees at the project. Those not transferred to Edmonton will be laid off.

The board, in deferring Cities Service's application, said it would be prepared to reconsider the application on or before Dec. 31, 1968.

**EVALUATE QUALITY**

This decision led to the small-scale Edmonton research station, where studies will be aimed at extracting oil from the sands and evaluating the quality of oil.

A Cities Service spokesman said approval of any future application would depend on a change in the supply and demand picture and advance permit to build a \$356,000,000 project at the sands to extract 100,000 barrels of crude oil daily.

Only one company has so far been authorized to produce oil from the sands, estimated to contain 620,000,000 barrels of recoverable crude.

Great Canadian Oil Sands Ltd. was authorized by the federal government to produce

# Oil Interests Sold To U.S.

DALLAS, Tex. (CP)—Dell-Taylor Oil Corp. and Texas Gulf Sulphur Co. has announced that Texas Gulf Sulphur will buy all Canadian interests of the oil company in a deal involving \$2,300,000.

The Canadian interests will include such firms as British Canadian Holding Corp. Ltd., which holds Tidal Petroleum Corp. Ltd., Canadian Chieftain Petroleum Ltd. and Three States Petroleum Co.

Included are some 600,000 acres of oil and gas properties in Alberta and British Columbia.

Dell-Taylor has been selling its interests this year. The latest deal will leave the firm as main operations only Delta Australian Petroleum Ltd. and its interest in Utah Potash properties.

In the transaction with Texas Gulf Sulphur is subject to stockholder approval.

21,500 barrels a day. However, the firm has since applied for an increase in production of 45,000 barrels a day. It says the increased production is necessary for an economical venture.

# War Prisoner Loses Action

OTTAWA (CP)—A former Romanian national interned in Canada for more than six years as a war prisoner lost a \$137,150 damage action against the federal government in a decision of the Gernik and Apollo spaceport.

"The first thing I want to do is take a shower and then go home for Christmas," said Ronald R. Taskay, 19, Westerville, N.Y.

The men will get a 14-day leave after the doctors finish three days of physical examinations.

# Airmen Complete 'Space Flight'

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP)—Four young airmen, smiling and

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# AGRICULTURE CONFERENCE DISCUSSION

Agriculture Minister Hays (centre) and other officials, president of the National Farmers Union (left) and J. M. Beaulieu, president of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, were among those who attended the second day of the federal-provincial conference on agriculture in Ottawa Tuesday. The conference will conclude today. Net farm income this year was

# University Money Worries Are Described As Serious

OTTAWA (CP)—Dr. J. A. Corry, principal of Queen's University, Kingston, said Tuesday that the public does not appreciate the seriousness of the financial problems facing Canadian universities.

Dr. Corry, vice-chairman of the Canadian Universities Foundation, made the statement in an interview after presenting a foundation brief to Finance Minister Gordon during a major increase in federal aid for higher learning.

The brief said Canadian universities will not continue to accommodate all qualified applicants for admission unless the federal government gives them greatly increased financial help.

# Sugar Prices Cut Slightly

MONTREAL (CP)—Three major sugar refiners announced a wholesale price decrease Monday, bringing price of a 100-pound bag of refined sugar down 35 cents to \$15.90.

It was the 95th change announced by St. Lawrence, Atlantic and Canada and Dominion since Jan. 1. In that period there have been 70 increases and 25 decreases.

A spokesman for a retail food chain said the reduction, which followed closely on a wholesale price increase last week, would not affect present retail prices which are put on a new and much higher plane.

# EAST BALTIC

Charles MacPhee, Little Harb, was the third prize winner of \$500.00 in a contest sponsored by the Westcoast Co. for his beautiful window design of "Harvest Window" for the home of Matthew and MacLean, Souris, where Mr. MacPhee is employed. Mr. MacPhee is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles MacPhee, Little Harbor.

# Fredericton Hospital Has 700 Waiting

FREDERICTON—Fredericton doctors have charged that lives are being endangered because of the length of time people have to wait to get into the public hospital here for treatment.

The number on the waiting list is estimated at 700. Only emergency cases are being admitted and they line the hallways of the hospital until such time as space in a room becomes available.

Dr. B. L. Jewett, immediate past president of the New Brunswick Medical Society and president of the hospital staff, recalled the situation "very critical" and added, "of the group of over 600, undoubtedly there are people whose lives would be better served in hospital care and more space. It is up to the people to decide."

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