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What Do You Know About Canada?

Perceptions Below the 49th Parallel:

- Canada! It's "a beautiful state."
- It's "a country the size of Texas."
- "Canada has a climate -- nine months winter and three months late in the fall."
- Canada is a country "located on the other side of New York."
- It's "a place where some French guy is always Prime Minister."
- "There is no racism in Canada."
- Canada is "a country 3000 miles long and 20 miles wide."

Caber Productions, 1991.

To Learn About Canada Call the Canadian Studies Center and Enroll in one of our Seminars!

"Americans should never underestimate the constant pressure on Canada which the mere presence of the United States has produced. We're different people because of you Living next door to you is in some ways like sleeping with an elephant. No matter how friendly and even tempered is the beast, if I can call it that, one is affected by every twitch and grunt It should not therefore be expected that this kind of nation, this Canada, should project itself ... as a mirror image of the United States."

Pierre Trudeau, 1969.

Calendar: Readings/Seminars For Educators and the Public

On Campus

- Tuesday, November 29, M. Paul-André Comeau, Président, Commission d'accès à l'information, Québec, will discuss the aftermath of the federal election and its anticipated impact on Québec's future. 9:30-10:20 a.m., Thomson Hall, Room 325.
- Wednesday, November 30, M. Paul-André Comeau, Président, Commission d'accès à l'information, Québec, will continue his discussion on the aftermath of the federal election and its anticipated impact on Québec's future. 9:30-10:20 a.m., Thomson Hall, Room 325.

Off Campus

- Thursday, October 14, join Mr. Scott Watson, director/curator of the University of British Columbia Fine Arts Gallery for a discussion on "Contesting Contested Histories: A Survey of Contemporary Art Landscape in Vancouver, B.C. 7:30 p.m., Seattle Art Museum, 100 University Street. PNAC members free, \$2 students, \$4 SAM members and \$6 nonmembers.
- October 22-November 28, view the Emily Carr School of Art and Design B.C. Young Artists' Biennial Competition at the newly renovated Pacific Arts Center, Seattle Center Complex. For hours of visitation call 443-5437. Admission is free.
- Wednesday, November 30, M. Paul-André Comeau, Président, Commission d'accès à l'information, Québec, will discuss the aftermath of the federal election and its anticipated impact on Québec's future. 12:00-1:30 p.m., downtown Seattle. Location TBA. Call 206-543-6269.

National Resource Center Developments and Activities

WELCOME Back! Summer now behind and the 1993-94 school year in full-swing, the Pacific Northwest National Resource Center for Canada organized and sponsored an eclectic array of programs since June.

At the University of Washington

In its mission to meet the needs of the K-12 and general community the Center held its annual summer seminar, this year titled, "Multicultural Societies: Explorations into Canadian and American Cultural Diversity." It was attended by forty-three registrants, who heard twenty-one presenters lecture and discuss varying perceptions and responses to the concepts multiculturalism and cultural diversity.

Subsequent activities through the summer and into October saw the Center co-sponsor the Association Franco-Canadienne de l'état de Washington's celebration in honor of La Fête Nationale; support the Canadian Society of the Northwest's annual Canada Day celebration; coordinate a luncheon address on NAFTA to the business community by visiting scholar and governmental adviser, Professor Gustavo Vega Canovas, El Colegio de Mexico, Mexico City; hold a mini-Canadian video series for advanced placement students from Madrona Elementary School; coordinate the Canadian Society of the Northwest's annual night at the ball game (Blue Jays vs. Mariners of course) and the annual Canadian Thanksgiving Dinner; and meet with teachers and distribute materials at the fall inservice sponsored by the Washington State Council for the Social Studies.

At Western Washington University

The Center for Canadian and Canadian-American Relations held its annual introductory workshop for educators interested in Canada. Over thirty participants were enrolled for the week-long program, "Study Canada Summer Institute."

Early in September the Canada House at Western sponsored an International

Conference, "Building Bridges to Sustainable Communities." Focused on the Georgia Basin, Puget Sound and the Willamette Valley the conference drew over 230 people. In its final day the audience left energized for grassroots action, aware of the need for additional programs to be held that focus on discussions that define the region, determine the balance between preservation and development, and establish a regional plan that takes into consideration all segments of society.

If you are interested in past or future activities, telephone the outreach center at 206-543-6269.

Faculty and Staff Activities

■ *Mr. Michael Bittner, Assistant Director, Canadian Studies, was selected Vice-President for Cultural Affairs of the Canadian Society of the Northwest and tapped to manage a public relations campaign for the Canadian Consulate in Seattle, concerning the extension of voting rights to Canadians residing outside of Canada.*

■ *Professor Douglas Jackson, Director, Canadian Studies, lectured on the arts in Canada at Western Washington University and Shoreline Community College, spent the better part of August and September in eastern Canada concluding commitments for the spring 1994 hydro-electricity seminar at the University, moderated a roundtable discussion on regional politics for the Institute for Business and Professional Organizations and conducted a backgrounder briefing (a new program at the University for local press) on the upcoming Canadian election.*

■ *Professor Hubert Locke, Graduate School of Public Affairs, won the University's 1993 Outstanding Public Service Award for his commitment and involvement in the community. Among the organizations that he currently offers his expertise and insight to are the Institute of European/Asian Studies, the committee on the Constitutional System, the board of directors for Lakeside School, Group Health, the Seattle Trade Development Alliance, the Education*

Committee of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the board of directors for Inter-Community Housing and the Ethics Board for the Port of Seattle.

■ Assistant Professor Tsianina Lomawaima, Anthropology, a recent recipient of the teacher of the year award was chosen to address the incoming freshman class of 1993-94 and their parents. In her presentation she drew from personnel experience and discussed the importance of personal development and fulfillment.

■ Assistant Professor Michael Pendleton, Society and Justice, spent the summer in Ucluelet and Clayoquot Sound, Vancouver Island, conducting field research for his ongoing study, "Conflict and Control in Natural Settings." The project that he began two years ago has been engulfed by the largest environmental protest in the history of Canada. And Professor Pendleton is in the middle, able to meet with all sides and access records and proceedings that are not readily available to outsiders. Clayoquot Sound is nothing less than an ongoing confrontation between environmentalists, scientists, the First Nations, the elderly, children, loggers, MacMillan Bloedel, the RCMP, the judicial system, and the Provincial government in an effort to protect the environment, protect timber industry jobs, maintain peace, balance economic needs with environmental necessities in an area that has seen over 600 arrests and tit-for-tat intimidation tactics in a region known as "Brazil of the North."

■ Anne Vernez-Moudon, Associate Dean, College of Architecture and Urban Design, instigated and served as one of four executive board members for the September/October 1993 conference, "Urban Design: Reshaping Our Cities." The conference, international in scope, focused on the ecological ethic, optimizing the existing urban infrastructure, capitalizing on human diversity and tools for implementation.

Winter/Spring Seminars For Educators and the Public

At the University of Washington

■ **Winter-Spring 1994, Second Saturdays:** *Current Issues in the News* are coming your way -- new issues, formats and options.

Saturday, February 12, "Trouble in Paradise: Assessing the Cultural and Environmental Impact of Tourism." Information! Call Maureen Haley Terada 206-543-4800.

Saturday, March 12, "Arms Control: Who's in Control?" Information! Call Charlotte Albright at 206-543-4227.

Saturday, April 9, "Peacekeeping, Peacebuilding, Peacemaking: Changing Roles/Changing Times for the United Nations." Information! Call Michael Bittner 206-543-6269.

Saturday, May 8, "Sacred Sites Caught in the Crossfire." Information! Call Maureen Jackson, 206-543-9606.

■ **Thursday-Sunday, March 24-27,** the Canadian Studies Center will host and co-sponsor the National Parks and Conservation Association's conference, "Nature Has No Borders: The Cascades International Park." Registration forms will be mailed out in January 1994.

K-12 classes are encouraged to prepare posters, reflecting the importance of protecting and sustaining international ecosystems through international cooperation. Information! 206-543-6269.

Outreach Favorites

■ Notwithstanding the nationality of its principle author, Mr. Ralph Nader, Canada Firsts sets out to highlight contributions to global society that first took their form in Canada. From historical achievements, to the environment, to sport, Canadians have made a difference in the way society functions. An easy and informative read -- you will be surprised by what you find.



The Educator's Resource Library at the Canadian Studies Center

On Paper

- *Brief annotated reading list of Canadian books with suggested age levels which reflect varied disciplines and include fiction and non-fiction. For a list call 206-543-6269.*
- *A comprehensive research guide to Canadian holdings in the University of Washington libraries. To request a copy call 206-543-6269.*
- *An elegant and frameable Jackson School Outreach Poster. To request a copy, one per school, telephone 206-543-6269.*

Canadian Cinema on Video

- *A Christmas Gift, 1993.*
- *National Film Board of Canada's Animation Festival, 1993.*
- *CBC News in Review, 1993-94.*
- *The Group of Seven, 1990.*
- *Lost in the Barrens, 1991.*
- *Masters of Animation: Canada and USA, 1986.*
- *Nature of Things: James Bay: The Wind that Keeps on Blowing, 1990.*
- *Nature of Things: Temagami, 1989.*
- *Propaganda Message, 1974.*
- *Who are We?, 1974.*

Videos are available for preview. For a list of videos call 206-543-6269.

Wanted: Papers!

- *International Journal of Canadian Studies will devote issues number 10 to "Identities and Marginalities." "In Canada, there has been a continual process of construction and reconstruction of both individual and collective identities. Through this process identities are transformed: marginal identities may become dominant, and dominant identities marginal." Contributions from diverse disciplines to the debates on understanding are sought. Send entries by 1/15/94, International Journal of Canadian Studies, 2 Daly Avenue, Ottawa, Canada K1N 6E2 or call 613-232-0417.*

Autumn Courses 1993

- *SISCA 356: Canadian Society. Professor Douglas Jackson, Daily 9:30-10:20, 5 credits.*
- *SISCA 499: Undergraduate Research. Professor Douglas Jackson, TBA, 3-5 credits.*
- *HSTAA 377: History of Canada. Doctoral Candidate Karen Rogers-Edgemon, Daily, 1:30-2:20, 5 credits.*
- *SISCA/FREN 441: Introduction to Québécois Literature. Professor Denyse Delcourt, M,W 4:30-6:20, 5 credits.*
- *ARTH/ANTH 331YA: Survey of Northwest Coast Indian Art. Professor Barbara Iliff, M,W 7:00-9:20, 5 credits.*
- *URBDP 479: Urban Form. Professor Anne Vernez-Moudon, M,W 9:30-10:50, 3 credits.*
- *WOMEN 283: Introduction to Women's History. Professor Shirley Yee, Daily 11:30-12:20, 5 credits.*
- *AIS 201: Introduction to Ethnohistory of Native North Americans. Professor Tsianina Lomawaima, M,T,W,F 9:30-10:20 with R lab that varies, 5 credits.*
- *ARTH 206: Survey of Native American Art. Professor Robin Wright, M,W,F 10:30-11:20 with lab that varies on T,R, 5 credits.*
- *LAW B584: Indian Law Seminar. Professor Ralph Johnson, W 3:30-5:20, 3 credits.*
- *LAW B561: International Law of the Sea. Professor William Burke, T 3:30-6:00 p.m., 4 credits.*

Fulbright Scholars

■ The University of Washington is pleased to acknowledge the presence of two Canadian Fulbright scholars as Fellows in Dr. John Findlay's Center for the Study of the Pacific Northwest. Mr. John Lutz will conduct his research on "Aboriginal Migrant Labor of the Pacific Northwest, 1850-1950." Mr. Chad Reimer will study the "Development of British Columbia 1849-1958."

Unresolved Questions on Canada?

■ The question put to us: "I always associate the Mounties with their red tunics. What do the everyday uniforms of the R.C.M.P. look like?"

The everyday uniform of a uniformed R.C.M.P. officer, male or female, consists of dark blue pants or skirt, the trousers sporting a vertical, gold stripe on the outside of each pant leg. On top the officer wears a dusty grey or white shirt, navy jacket and cap of navy blue cloth, separated from the black brim with a thick gold band.

Canadian Federal Election October 25, 1993

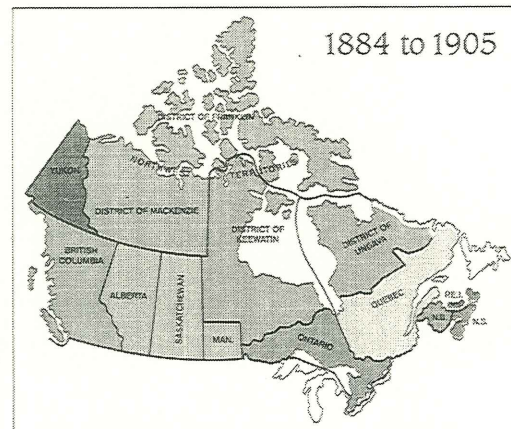
■ For the first time in its history, Canada has extended voting privileges to Canadians living outside of Canada. Canadian citizens, aged 18 years or older, residing outside of Canada for less than five consecutive years are eligible to vote under the new Special Voting Rules of the Canada Elections Act, which went into effect June 25, 1993. The five-year limit does not apply to persons posted outside of Canada, who are members of the Canadian Forces, employees of the public service of Canada or a province, or an international organization of which Canada is a member and to which Canada contributes or to dependents of these persons.

Guides and applications for registration on the international registry are available. Canadians residing in the Pacific Northwest may call the Canadian Consulate in Seattle 206-443-1777 or Elections Canada 1-800-267-8683.

Association for Canadian Studies in the United States

■ Wednesday-Sunday, November 17-21, the biennial meeting for ACSUS will be held in New Orleans. Academicians and Canadian government officials from all over the United States will gather to deliver, to hear and to comment on the largest number of papers pertinent to Canada of any other professional conference in the United States. For information contact ACSUS at 202-887-6375 or FAX 202-296-8374.

Historical Boundary



KUOW Adds Programming

■ The BBC Newshour may be heard at 3 p.m. and 10 p.m. M-F on 94.9 FM. This program is similar to All Things Considered and focuses on comprehensive briefings.

■ The BBC Outlook may be heard 10 a.m. M-F on 94.9 FM. Outlook examines happenings in the changing world of ideas, events and culture with a mix of conversation, controversy and color from around the world.

■ Living on Earth is broadcast on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. on 94.9 FM. This program focuses on the environment.

■ Performance Northwest airs Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. on 94.9 FM. Tune-in and you may hear the occasional Canadian artist as the program features live classical, folk, jazz and world music.