editorial:



Well, we've survived for a year on the rocky seas of Canadian publishing. This is our sixth issue, and we have managed to establish continuity and credibility. Thanks to our readers, contributors, and advertisers.

Although our Local Initiatives Programme application was initially turned down, our appeal is being processed, and hopefully that agency will be more impressed by us the second time around.

The policy to which we fell victim consisted of stamping 'low-priority' on most film and arts applications. The Canadian Conference of the Arts meeting in Toronto recently, unanimously condemned L.I.P. for its unresponsiveness toward artists and their needs. That resolution singled out Cinema Canada magazine.

Alexander Ross devoted a column to "three magazines with lots to say" and included us as one. We've been asked to appear on radio and television. People are becoming aware of our existence, and it's all very encouraging.

In Ontario, a special 'exploration team' on the film industry made a sweep of progressive recommendations to the provincial government. Headed by John Bassett, the committee submitted a brief calling for an exhibition quota for Canadian films, as well as a tax rebate going to local producers.

All that remains is for the industry to define 'how Canadian should a feature film be,' which was the topic of several panel discussions in Toronto recently. They are discussed at length in these pages. In fact this issue attempts to cover in depth the changes our business is undergoing.

Panel discussions, briefs, and controversies proliferate, but we must never lose sight of alternatives. For this reason, a co-operative production venture in Montreal is focused on as well

With issue #7, Cinema Canada starts its second year. Hopefully by then we'll have good news about our grant applications.

IMAX '73 under director David MacKay

Cover photo by David Keighley, assistant director. Top row, left to right: Bruce Ingram, 2nd assistant cameraman; an engineer of Algoma Central Railroad: and Ed Moore, public relations man for the railroad. Bottom row left to right: Bob Ryan D.O.P.; Fred Guthe, 1st assistant cameraman; David Mackay, producer/ director; and Doug Ganton, sound.

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