

New Industries Proposed For N. S. Distressed Area

OTTAWA (CP) — A Montreal firm of industrial experts has proposed establishment of new industries in Nova Scotia, together with subsidies to hold coal markets in the Maritimes, as means of saving the jobs of 4,000 Nova Scotia coal miners.

Urwick, Currie Limited, in a report made public today, said that number of miners could be displaced by 1960 through declining markets for the province's coal and increased efficiency of production, unless new markets are found.

The report prepared for the Gordon royal commission on Canada's economic prospects, said the displacement of 4,000 miners would affect the livelihood of at least 30,000 persons. The best way to deal with the situation would be through establishment of new industries in the area to provide alternate jobs and further markets for coal. A survey should be made of the possibilities.

"We suggest that this is a major social problem which demands attention of both the provincial and federal governments."

ALSO URGES SUBSIDY

The report also suggested a new type of government subsidy—aid to hold Maritime markets for coal against the competition of oil.

"The main market must remain the Maritime provinces and an effort should be made to retain and increase it."

The report was made against the background of declining sales of Nova Scotia coal and of the mine mechanization program which is expected to bear full fruit by 1959 in the form of lower costs and increased output for each miner. It dealt almost entirely with the future of mining companies controlled by the Dominion Steel and Coal Corporation, which accounted for 93 per cent of the province's coal industry in 1955.

It set out these prospects:

1. Mechanization would increase production in existing mines to 7,200,000 tons in 1960 from 5,300,000 tons in 1955.
2. Sales of Dosco coal could be expected to decline steadily from 5,900,000 tons in 1956 to 5,300,000 in 1960.
3. Completion of the trans-Canada natural gas pipeline would cause Dosco to lose some 800,000 tons of coal sales a year in Quebec after 1958. Completion of the St. Lawrence Seaway, opening Quebec to competition from water-borne United States coal, could increase output of federal subsidies to hold Quebec coal markets.
4. Nova Scotia coal miners had not had a wage increase in four

years. Pay raises would have to be given before 1960 and every increase of \$1 a day would boost coal prices by about 50 cents a ton.

The report said there is a potential European market for at least 2,000,000 tons of Nova Scotia coal a year, provided price and quality could be agreed on.

NOT YET TESTED

"But this market has not yet been fully tested and might require an approach at government level in view of the dollar exchange angle."

It said there would be no great effect on the size of markets in the immediate future from new possible uses for coal—electrification and gasification at the mine, and the coal-fired gas turbine still under development at McGill University after six years. Of the three possible new uses, gasification was the most promising and it was "highly desirable" that gasification experts make a detailed study of what might be involved in applying the process in Nova Scotia.

As for the thermal plants to produce electricity at the mine area, that might be economical if there were a power grid in existence.

If the coal-fired gas turbine for railway locomotives were perfected and built, it would bring only minor benefits to the Nova Scotia coal industry. The railways could use only about 150 such locomotives and they would use about 600,000 tons of coal annually, but probably less than half would come from Nova Scotia mines.

PRODUCTIVITY UP

The Urwick, Currie report said that since the 1946 report of the royal commission on coal, mechanization had increased productivity of each Nova Scotia coal miner by 47 per cent up to 1955. Completion of mechanization would boost productivity further from 2.7 tons per man-day in 1955 to 3.79 tons in 1960.

If extra markets for the additional 2,000,000 tons of output could not be found, the future output had to be held to 1955 levels, it would be necessary to close some high-cost mines. It was not economic to operate a mine at less than full capacity.

Elimination of high-cost mines would increase the over-all level of productivity and "make a significant contribution to the competitive position of the companies." But it would displace 4,000 mine workers and affect the livelihood of at least another 26,000 persons.

LARGEST EMPLOYER

The coal industry was by far the province's largest single employer. It made up 12 per cent

Smallwood Tells Opposition To "Hammer Away" At Gov't

By THE CANADIAN PRESS

The Newfoundland legislature opened Wednesday and Liberal Premier Joseph Smallwood urged the four-man Progressive Conservative opposition to "hammer away" at the government.

In the Nova Scotia legislature, Premier Robert Stanfield brought down a budget calling for expenditures of \$66,316,000, the highest in the province's history.

In the Ontario legislature Liberal and CCF opposition members staged a walkout in protest against the government's calling of a 60-page bill for detailed study near the end of the night session.

The Newfoundland premier, noting his government held a jobless majority of 32 to 4, said he wanted to help the opposition and said "hammer away at us—it will make us better."

Premier Stanfield, in bringing down the first Progressive Conservative budget in the province in 24 years, estimated a surplus of \$85,386 in revenues of \$65,304,200.

BAY PROMISE BROKEN

The walkout in the Ontario legislature came when Provincial Treasurer Porter, acting for absent Premier Frost, called for study of a bill which is a 106-clause revision of the Highways Improvement Act. Liberal Opposition Leader Farquhar Oliver and CCF Leader Donald MacDonald said Mr. Porter broke the Premier's promise that no contentious issues would be proceeded with against the wishes of the opposition.

The New Brunswick government's road-building program came under attack from J. E. LeBlanc (L-Westmorland) who said he was unable to learn where the millions of dollars, "supposedly spent on our roads," had gone. He said about the only major improvement was the trans-Canada highway on which the federal government shared the cost.

Premier Manning told the Alberta legislature his government was studying a new policy of re-declaring mineral rights which had been forfeited through tax default. He was replying to an opposition question which referred to "lease-holds" who locate owners of land on which rights have been forfeited.

U. S. Language Hits Japanese

TOKYO (AP) — For 12 years Japan has been bombarded by the American language, and the results are slightly wondrous.

"Hubba hubba," "okay," "hallo" and "changey changey" are heard almost every day from Japanese.

"Never happen," "bye bye" and "yeah" are only slightly less common.

Sometimes one of these is mixed with a Japanese equivalent like "ton demo nai" (never happen) and comes out "ton demo happen."

English-speaking foreigners long ago became accustomed to unusual movie billings like Liver or no Return. Restaurant menus list "mashroom soup," "balled eggs," "fried eggs" and "bubergers."

A perusal of signs almost anywhere will turn up some gems. Every Tokyo street-car carries a warning, "keep out from drivers seat." A "health senter" operates near the U.S. embassy and suburban Shibuya has a "beauty saloon."

In Kyoto a hotel brochure cautions guests to "check your valgeles in the sat."

A street sign for a Kyoto bar announces proudly, "90 beautiful mooses waiting to serve you." That means 90 girls. In Otsu another proclaims, "girls, whisky, beer—all cheap."

Coming Events

Crokinole Card Party. Crapaud Hall, Thursday night. Lunch served.

Hampton Hall, Wednesday, April 10, Y.P.S. Variety Concert. Sale Washington Pies. Curtain 8.15.

Pantry Sale, Simpson - Sears Friday, April 12th, 2 o'clock.

Sponsored by Princetown Road United Church, W.M.S.

New Glasgow and district Junior farmers meeting, New Glasgow School, Wednesday April 10th. Special speaker.

The Upper Room—A passion play in three acts will be presented in St. Mary's Hall, Souris, Thursday, April 11 and Friday, April 12, of Passion Week. Curtain 8.30 sharp. Admission 75 cents. You must see "The Upper Room."

ARTIFICIAL INSEMINATION

Applications will be received for the position of inseminator in the following areas: New Glasgow which includes Lots 22, 23 and 24; and the Crapaud area O.L.T.s 28, 29, 30 and 67. Address all correspondence to the Director of Veterinary Services, Box 3000, Ch'town. Applications must be mailed not later than midnight April 15th.

C. N. I. B. Held Successful Meeting

The annual meeting of the Charlottetown auxiliary of the Canadian Institute for the Blind was held recently at the Charlottetown Hotel. Mrs. Peppin, the president, was in the chair. 47 members are enrolled and 21 members answered roll call. The president in her annual report thanked the members for their support and co-operation during the year. The reports given were approved. Mrs. MacMillan gave the report of the nomination committee which was the following:

Hon. Pres., Mrs. T. W. L. Prowse, Past Pres., Mrs. J. T. Rodd, Pres., Mrs. S. G. Peppin, 1 Vice Pres., Mrs. J. B. Murley, 2 Vice Pres., Mrs. J. D. McQuigan, 3 Vice Pres., Mrs. Elzrol Huggan, Treasurer, Mrs. Allen McDonald, Secretary, Mrs. P. J. Pound.

The executive are: Mrs. W. P. J. MacMillan, Mrs. A. W. Hyndman, Mrs. Dan McDonald, Mrs. J. J. Morris, Mrs. A. J. Coffin, Mrs. James Gormley, Miss Lorna Weeks, Mrs. F. J. Sicie, Miss Mary Inman, Mrs. P. J. Rossiter, Miss Helen Clements, Mrs. H. F. MacPhee, Mrs. Amy Moore, Mrs. Sue Nash, Mrs. Laura Young, Mrs. William Leed, Mrs. Harry Bonnell, Mrs. M.R. McQuigan, Mrs. Lindon Webb, Mrs. J.M. Garnhum, Mrs. Ralph Jenkins, Mrs. M. A. Farmer, Mrs. Edison Tanton, Mrs. St. Clair Trainor, Mrs. H. D. Murray, Mrs. Ivan Horne, Mrs. George Poirier, Mrs. Laura Clapp, Mrs. Arthur Affleck.

The new members were welcomed by the president. Plans were made for an Easter function for the sighters with Mrs. Allen McDonald and Miss Weeks in charge. The annual Luncheon is to be held at the Charlottetown Hotel in May.

Mr. Bower, Field Secretary, spoke briefly thanking the members of the Auxiliary for their support, stating that each small part fits into the pattern of helping the sighters.

NEED EXTRA SALES

If all mines were to be kept in production, an extra 2,000,000 tons would have to be sold by either by larger sales in existing markets, by deeper penetration into Ontario markets under subvention, or by export sales.

The cost of selling 2,000,000 tons of coal in Ontario competitively could total between \$13,000,000 and \$14,000,000 in federal subventions by 1960. That would not be economical.

If the extra production were to be sold, subventions should operate flexibly to permit Dosco to compete against oil and to take full advantage of the potential export market.

PRAYERS BY TELEPHONE

'Hope through Prayer' has long been advanced as a solution to most of man's problems by clergymen of all denominations. But Rev. Dr. John Sutherland Bonnell, pastor of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York, and a native Islander, has carried the thought much further. He has established a 'Dial-a-Prayer' service which brings inspirational prayers instantly in answer to a telephone call. Under his church a battery of telephones automatically answer and repeat the special prayer for the day. These are prayers which Dr. Bonnell composes specially for those in instant need and have proven the means of saving life and bringing hope to those in despair. He is shown above at Dial-a-Prayer, in a picture taken from the New York Times.

AGRICULTURAL NEWS

P. E. I. Department of Agriculture

New artificial Breeding Clubs are being established in the Province. Last year nine clubs were in operation as follows: O'Leary and District, Tyne Valley and District, Eastern Prince County Club, Kensington and District, Cornwall and District, York and District, Montague and District, Eastern Kings County Artificial Breeding Club. These clubs have bred over eight thousand cows.

Organizational work has been conducted in the remaining areas. First to determine the breeder interest and secondly to select inseminators. The activity in the various centers has been as follows:

The New Glasgow area, which includes Lots 22, 23, and 24 held a meeting on Wednesday April 3rd, in the Community Hall. Elbert Orr, President of the Junior Farmers organization acted as chairman. Dr. George C. Fisher, Director of Veterinary Services who also heads up Artificial Insemination in the province, outlined the various steps necessary in the formation of an Artificial Breeding Club. The breeder survey in this area was conducted by the New Glasgow and District Junior Farmers under the direction of the President, Elbert Orr. The group deserve high praise for a job well done. The results were most gratifying. Approximately eight hundred cows have been signed up for the first year. A nine man Board of Directors was appointed by the meeting. A short meeting of the Directors present was held following the general meeting. It was decided to go ahead and advertise for applications for the position of inseminator.

The Crapaud Hall was the meeting place for the livestock breeders from lots 28, 29, 30, and 67 on Tuesday, April 2nd. Bert Trowdale, President of the Crapaud Board of Trade, acted as Chairman. Dr. Fisher spoke on Artificial Insemination, its more recent advances and the organization of a new club. The meeting decided that they would like to go ahead with the breeders survey to determine the breeder interest in the area. A nine man temporary Board of Directors was appointed. It was agreed that the

breeder survey be conducted by mail. Also to advertise for applications for the position of inseminator. The purpose of this is to save time. The Board and Dr. Fisher all expressed the hope that breeders in the area receiving letters would return the form as soon as possible.

The Morell Community Hall was the place of meeting for livestockmen from lots 37, 38, 39, 40, 41 on Thursday night April 3rd. Tom Cullen acted as Chairman. Dr. Fisher discussed various aspects of A.I. and answered questions. A nine man Board of Directors was selected. It was decided to conduct a breeder survey. This will be organized by the Directors as soon as it is proven that there is sufficient breeder interest in the area organizational plans will be completed. All those working on the survey are urged to complete the job as soon as possible. The reason for this request is that if sufficient interest is shown an inseminator may be selected trained and the club in operation with the minimum amount of delay.

The area from Orwell, Eldon, Belle River, Wood Island, through to Murray River and Harbor, plans are now under way to extend service in these areas. An announcement will be made in the near future.

Tignish — Alberton area which includes lots 1, 2, and 3 down to the Dock Road. A breeder survey has been conducted by mail. To date the response has not been very large. The number of breeders answering the letters and the number of cattle signed up by those replying have been both very small. Unless sufficient interest is shown it will not be practical to organize a club this year. Will all those who received letters please reply immediately. For those who did not receive a letter would you write to the Director of Veterinary Services, Box 3000 Charlottetown, stating your school district and number of cattle you would be willing to have bred artificially during the first year of operation of an Artificial Breeding Club in your area. These replies should be in the mail not later than April 15th.

The Hillsboro and District Dir-

ectors met to conduct business and set the date for the annual meeting. It was decided to hold it during the last week of April. Dr. Fisher gave a short review of A. I. activity in the province.

Within the next six weeks the various clubs and their annual meetings. With the more recent advances being incorporated in the various club operations and with increased interest and activity in all clubs, all members and interested breeders are urged to attend their respective annual meetings as they are announced. Watch the paper for block ads and this column for dates, times and places.

BRUCELLOSIS PROGRAM

Two recent changes have been made by the health of Animals Division, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, in the vaccination of calves for the control of brucellosis. The changes are expected to assist in the area testing and eradication of brucellosis program announced by the Minister of Agriculture.

A new desiccated or dried vaccine has been developed and is now being made available by the Division to veterinarians for calf-hood vaccination. This vaccine can be kept under ordinary refrigeration for as long as fifteen months, whereas the viability of the former liquid vaccine was approximately 40 days.

The Federal-Provincial Calfhood

culture, Rt. Hon. James G. Gardiner, recently, the House of Commons.

Health of Animals regulations have been amended to permit official vaccinations of calves from the age of 4 months to 11 months. Formerly the age limit was from 6 to 8 months. The change will not apply to cattle offered for export to the United States as of test, as their regulations still require such calves to have been vaccinated at from 6 to 8 months of age.

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vaccination program was begun in 1950 when 140,643 calves were vaccinated. In the present fiscal year it is estimated over 750,000 calves will be vaccinated, bringing the total from the beginning of the program to over three million calves.

Calfhood vaccination, along with testing and removal of infected animals from individual herds, if continued for a number of years, reduces the level of infection or brucellosis to a point where it is economically possible to proceed with a test and slaughter program on an area basis, as announced by the Minister. The regulations under which the control plan will operate will be announced shortly.

It has been estimated that brucellosis in Canada causes an annual loss of about nine million dollars. After a survey made in the various provinces in 1955, it was estimated that the national level of infection in Canada at that time was

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