

to conserving the game in the districts not included in the game preserves, licences to hunt and trap game may, under the regulations, be issued only to:—

1. Residents of the Northwest Territories as defined by these regulations who at the present time hold hunting and trapping licences and who continue to reside in the Northwest Territories.

2. The children of those who have had their domicile in the Northwest Territories for the past four years, provided such children continue to reside in the Northwest Territories.

The Wood-Buffalo Park in the vicinity of Fort Smith, which covers an area of 17,300 square miles (a portion of which is in Alberta), has been reserved specially for the protection of buffalo. The Thelon Game Sanctuary to the east of Great Slave lake, which was set aside primarily to aid in the conservation of musk-oxen, provides sanctuary for all species of game. Under the Northwest Game Act, musk-oxen may not be killed anywhere in the Northwest Territories.

In order to augment the supply of wild life available as a source of food and clothing for the natives, the Dominion Government, in 1935, established a herd of Alaskan reindeer on a reserve of approximately 6,600 square miles, immediately east of the Mackenzie delta. The herd has increased in numbers and is contributing to the well-being of the native population, certain of whom are being trained in the handling of the deer.

In view of the great increase in the use of aircraft for mail and general transportation, the Administration is undertaking the development of landing facilities throughout the Mackenzie District. A winter landing field has been provided at Fort Smith and others are in course of completion at Resolution, Providence, Simpson, and Norman. Floating docks, etc., have been constructed at several points for the use of seaplanes.

An excellent air-mail service is provided by the Post Office Department, while the Department of National Defence operates a system of radio stations linking up the chief settlements and mining centres of the Northwest Territories and the Yukon Territory with Edmonton, Alberta. Radio stations are in operation at Fort Smith, Resolution, Simpson, Norman, Aklavik, Tuktoyaktuk (seasonal), Herschel Island (seasonal), Port Radium, Rae, Yellowknife, Dawson, Mayo, Whitehorse, and Burwash Landing. Direction-finding and meteorological stations are operated by the Department of Transport at Chesterfield, Nottingham Island, Resolution Island, and Coppermine.

Exploratory work has been carried on throughout the Territories and much aerial surveying has been done particularly in the mineralized areas of Mackenzie District. Mineral prospectors are exploring new areas, the aeroplane being used as the chief means of transportation. The Precambrian Shield, which has proved so rich in valuable minerals in southerly Canada, is continued into the Territories—that portion lying between Great Slave and Great Bear lakes and Hudson bay—and valuable discoveries have been made in this area. The rich native silver and high-grade pitchblende ores discovered, during the past few years, near Great Bear lake are now under development. The oil wells near Norman on Mackenzie river have been in active operation since 1932, the bulk of the oil produced being used by mining interests operating at the eastern end of Great Bear lake. In recent years much prospecting has been carried out in the Great Slave Lake area where