

As a matter of interest, requests are coming in for newsprint paper supply to various liberated European countries, such as France, Holland, Belgium, etc., and joint efforts between the United States consumers and the Canadian industry are being made to fill as much of this demand as possible.

During the year there has been a very high degree of co-operation between the members of the industry and customers, and the industry is looking forward to the post-war period with confidence. Owing to improvement in shipping facilities, Empire countries, such as South Africa, Australia and New Zealand, are securing a larger part of their newsprint requirements than was possible in the years 1942 and 1943, and England is still receiving large quantities of pulp and newsprint.

In general, Canada has been called upon to supply essential newsprint requirements to most of the United Nations and, in the face of labour and other shortages, has succeeded very well in this task.

### Subsection 3.—The Lumber Industry

The manufacture of sawn lumber is the second most important industry in Canada depending on the forest for its raw materials.

The total number of sawmills, tie, shingle, lath, veneer, stave, heading and hoop mills and mills for cutting-up and barking or rossing of pulpwood that reported in 1943 was 5,220, as compared with 5,277 in 1942. The capital invested in these mills in 1943 was \$115,273,788, employees numbered 43,954 and wages and salaries amounted to \$49,564,303. The logs, bolts and other materials and supplies of the industry were valued at \$101,021,760 and the gross value of production was \$195,885,336. The net production in 1943 was \$91,714,000.

Lumber production in Canada reached its maximum quantity in 1911 with almost 5,000 million ft. b.m. The maximum value was reached in 1920. Average values were fairly uniform up to 1916, but increased rapidly from 1917 to 1920, only to decline gradually during the following years to the lowest level for the entire period, which was reached in 1932. With the exception of 1938 increases took place each year from 1933 to 1943.

### 13.—Quantities and Values of Lumber and All Sawmill Products Made in Canada, by Provinces, 1942 and 1943

| Province                  | Lumber Production |                  |                    |                    | Total Values <sup>1</sup> |                    |
|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
|                           | Quantities        |                  | Values             |                    | 1942                      | 1943               |
|                           | 1942              | 1943             | 1942               | 1943               |                           |                    |
| M ft. b.m.                | M ft. b.m.        | \$               | \$                 | \$                 | \$                        |                    |
| Prince Edward Island..... | 5,732             | 5,702            | 135,064            | 168,089            | 184,379                   | 232,790            |
| Nova Scotia.....          | 253,525           | 233,376          | 6,854,883          | 7,679,588          | 7,604,655                 | 8,446,279          |
| New Brunswick.....        | 328,927           | 303,706          | 10,707,419         | 11,042,769         | 14,289,646                | 15,770,038         |
| Quebec.....               | 1,010,510         | 961,946          | 31,752,397         | 35,170,296         | 40,425,028                | 45,641,615         |
| Ontario.....              | 625,433           | 544,490          | 22,460,700         | 21,261,613         | 28,345,474                | 26,732,478         |
| Manitoba.....             | 82,243            | 71,536           | 2,286,034          | 2,379,356          | 2,493,695                 | 2,538,835          |
| Saskatchewan.....         | 125,657           | 132,302          | 3,065,148          | 3,595,465          | 3,323,373                 | 3,934,544          |
| Alberta.....              | 198,898           | 168,077          | 4,821,022          | 4,768,906          | 5,527,455                 | 5,493,110          |
| British Columbia.....     | 2,303,552         | 1,941,966        | 67,741,700         | 65,808,102         | 90,695,092                | 87,069,697         |
| Yukon.....                | 668               | 474              | 30,160             | 25,500             | 30,280                    | 25,950             |
| <b>Totals.....</b>        | <b>4,935,145</b>  | <b>4,363,575</b> | <b>149,854,527</b> | <b>151,899,684</b> | <b>192,919,077</b>        | <b>195,885,336</b> |

<sup>1</sup> Includes all other sawmill products.