

*Co-ordinator of Controls.*—During the War a great variety of materials, commodities and services have come under more or less stringent control. Some of these have now been abandoned or relaxed but others, more particularly the control of prices and those commodities which will continue to be in short supply, may be retained up to, and possibly after, the end of the war with Japan. The most severe inflationary pressure came not during but immediately *after* the War of 1914-18, and in order to avoid sharp and unfortunate inflation the stabilization program is to be maintained until it is safe to remove controls. It is the duty of the Co-ordinator of Controls to advise the Minister of Reconstruction on these problems.

*Public Works.*—It is not planned to solve the post-war employment problem by huge expenditures on public works. However, the functions of a wise program of public expenditures as an adjunct to, but not as a substitute for, private investment are fully appreciated. Public expenditures may be made for public projects already planned but deferred during war years; for example, permanent improvements in highway and other transportation facilities might be made with benefit to the industries which they serve in order to take up periodical slacks in employment.

The planning and implementation of public works projects will require stimulation and continuous consultation between Dominion, provincial and municipal authorities. These functions in the Department of Reconstruction are to be performed by the Co-ordinator of Public Projects.

*Natural Resources Development.*—Natural resources development will make use of a greater portion of private than public capital, while public works projects use only public capital. In certain cases, where the resources to be developed belong to the Crown whether in right of Dominion or Provincial Governments, the necessity for stimulation, planning and close consultation with provincial authorities will arise. A Co-ordinator of Resources Development has been appointed and made responsible for these matters. Among the types of projects which can be planned are water-power development, forest conservation, and the development of new mining resources.

*Civil Aviation.*—One of the great potential contributions to Canada's post-war welfare is the proper development of civil aviation. The wartime advances of aviation, the large number of airfields constructed in Canada for military or civil use, and the decisive significance that transportation has always had in Canadian development emphasize the importance of civil aviation in Canada's future. The Director General of Air Development, the Air Transport Board, the Air Services Branch of the Department of Transport and Trans-Canada Air Lines, all under the Minister of Reconstruction, will develop civil aviation along lines contributing to the economic well-being of the entire country.

*Liaison.*—Effective liaison with other branches of the Dominion Government, such as the Department of Trade and Commerce and the Department of Labour, has been established by the appointment of liaison officers. Similarly, contact with regional groups and with provincial and municipal authorities is provided by Regional Councils, of which each province has one, except Ontario and Quebec which have two each.