

A Provincial Planning Board was set up in October, 1946. A survey of the area adjacent to the city of Charlottetown, comprising a ground-level survey, sanitary survey and an economic survey, was authorized. This work is expected to be completed early in March, 1947.

Town Planning Boards were established in the municipalities of Charlottetown, Summerside, and Kensington, P.E.I. A report on "Taxation in Prince Edward Island", by Dr. J. E. Lattimer was completed early in 1946.

**Nova Scotia.**—Reconstruction in Nova Scotia, in 1946, followed, generally, the policies previously determined. In agriculture, the Cold Storage Assistance Act resulted in the construction of one large plant for apples; several others are under organization. Intensive and extended investigations were made into the mineral resources of the Province. In forestry, policies to maximize returns on a sustained yield basis were extended, and the new Small Tree Conservation Act provides for management to maintain forest cover. A Division of Inland Fisheries was established and the Fishermen's Loan Board extended loans to modernize boats and equipment. Tourism was promoted by advertising in the United States and by loans to improve tourist facilities. The manufacturing industry was assisted by the preparation of a Directory and the granting of capital loans for modernization and expansion.

The Provincial Labour Department assisted in the vocational training of veterans, and has a Code of Labour Laws under preparation. The establishment of rural and high schools was provided for, and the development of a course in chemical engineering at the Nova Scotia Technical College was announced. In public health, free institutional treatment for tuberculosis was instituted, plans for an intensified field and case-finding program were extended and hospitals, generally, were under expansion. A study of the division of functions between municipal and provincial authorities was prepared and assistance in community planning was extended to local bodies. Shortages hampered the highway program, but substantial mileages were graded preliminary to paving. The Nova Scotia Power Commission continued to extend its rural power lines and the construction of a new generating station was approved. The Research Foundation is in an advanced state of organization and a program of research is under preparation.

**New Brunswick.**—In addition to the maintenance of contacts with the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Employment Service of Canada and all Federal Government agencies working on rehabilitation, the Provincial Department of Reconstruction has expanded into three divisions, all working primarily to assure opportunity and employment for returned personnel.

(1) *Industrial Division.*—This Division offers technical assistance to industry at every level and participates with industry in the construction of buildings, the procurement of equipment, technique of manufacture, searching for and catering to markets, etc.

(2) *Fisheries Division.*—This Division sponsors the modernization of fishing equipment, boats, engines, etc., and the improvement of quality in fresh and canned fish. It also encourages increased production and packing in selected areas where natural resources are abundant and labour is sufficiently available.

(3) *Handicrafts Division.*—A creditable establishment is now in operation at Fredericton, completely equipped and staffed to teach the creation and manufacture of a full range of handicrafts in wood, leather, metals, ceramics, etc.