

the same year the Canadian Parliament passed the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Act which provided for the carrying into effect of the "Agreement for a Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations between Canada and certain other Nations and Authorities" This Act approves the Constitution of the Food and Agriculture Organization and empowers the Governor in Council to make such appointments, establish such offices, make such Orders in Council and do such things as appear to him necessary for carrying out the provisions of the Constitution.

Canada is a member of the Council, the Committee on Commodity Problems (CCP), the Consultative Sub-Committee on Surplus Disposal, and the FAO Group on Grains, and is participating in a number of working parties sponsored by the FAO dealing with a variety of problems.

Nearly 100 Canadians have been on FAO technical assignments since 1951. For some of these experts there were repeat performances. Others have been invited to participate on panels of experts dealing with nutrition, plant protection, forestry and fisheries. A number of Canadians are on the staff at Headquarters in Rome.

Early in 1946 member nations were invited to establish the National FAO Committees to maintain liaison between FAO Headquarters and their respective governments. In accordance with this request a Canadian Interdepartmental FAO Committee was formed to provide a link between the FAO and the Canadian Government on questions pertaining to FAO. The Committee is composed of senior government officials representing the Departments of Agriculture, Fisheries, Northern Affairs and National Resources (Forestry), National Health and Welfare (Nutrition), Trade and Commerce, External Affairs, Finance, and the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Section 2.—Provincial Governments, in Relation to Agriculture*

Subsection 1.—Agricultural Services

Newfoundland.—Government agricultural services in Newfoundland are operated by the Agricultural Division of the Department of Mines and Resources. The Division is in charge of a Director who is assisted by a staff of 21 officers. For purposes of administration, the province is divided into nine districts. A fieldman with permanent headquarters is located in each district except Labrador, where the officer is resident for the summer only. Officers in charge of different phases of agricultural development visit each district on assignments from the St. John's office.

Departmental policies in support of the agricultural industry include: assistance in the clearing of land with government-owned and -operated tractors; a bonus of \$125 an acre on land cleared by privately owned equipment; the distribution of ground limestone at a subsidized rate; the payment of bonuses on purebred sires; and financial assistance to agricultural societies, marketing organizations and exhibition committees. An inspection service is provided for poultry products, vegetables and blueberries, production of the latter being encouraged by the burning of suitable berry areas and the improvement of roads and trails leading to them. Small fruit development is promoted through the distribution of quality foundation stock.

Every encouragement is given to the production of livestock. An experimental sheep flock is maintained. Poultry and beef production have increased with favourable marketing conditions and with departmental assistance and loans under the Provincial Farm Development Loan Act. A veterinary supervises the health of animals program and the joint federal-provincial project for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis.

The Agricultural Division co-operates with the Department of Education in furthering the 4-H Club movement in the province and accepts responsibility for all projects pertaining to agriculture.

* Information supplied by the agricultural authorities of the various provinces.