

provide very favourable conditions for the reproduction of game fish, of which speckled trout is the most important variety. Investigations concerning the production of trout of a size attractive to anglers are being conducted by the Fisheries Research Board of Canada and the Provincial Fish and Wildlife Division at various sites in the province. Unfortunately, many of the formerly fertile and highly productive ponds of the province have disappeared, and the provincial Department is actively concerned with damming and restoring these for the enjoyment of the public.

**Nova Scotia.**—Although the Federal Government has exclusive jurisdiction over the marine and inland fisheries of Nova Scotia and attends to all phases of administration related thereto, the Nova Scotia Government operates in several fields where provincial initiative is found to be necessary and appropriate, having regard for the importance of the fishery resources in terms of employment, industry, trade and recreation.

In the commercial fisheries, provincial government interests are the concern of the Nova Scotia Department of Fisheries. The Fishermen's Loan Board is administered by that Department and the Industrial Loan Board by the Nova Scotia Department of Trade and Industry; the first makes loans to fishermen for the purchase of boats and engines and the second makes loans for the construction or improvement of fish processing plants. Fisheries engineers perform inspection and survey duties for the Loan Boards and provide technical assistance and advice to loan applicants and others in the fisheries and allied industries, notably the boatbuilding industry. Instructors conduct courses for fishermen in the care and maintenance of marine engines, in basic navigation and in the design, construction and maintenance of gear. The on-course instruction is supplemented frequently by informal on-the-spot assistance to smaller groups who find themselves in need of technical help with particular problems. The Nova Scotia Department of Fisheries, with the financial and/or technical assistance of the federal Department of Fisheries, organizes and conducts explorations of fishing grounds for new resources and the adaptability of new, improved gear and methods.

*Sport Fisheries.*—In recent years, Nova Scotia, through the Wildlife Division of its Department of Lands and Forests, has spent a considerable amount of money on management and research in certain lakes and streams in the province with a view to aiding the Atlantic salmon and trout fishery. A continuing program of lake and stream investigations was begun in 1961 in order to obtain information useful in the formulation of a fish management program for the future. A system of rearing ponds, capable of producing 200,000 yearling speckled trout annually, has been established on the Medway River in Queens County and the Moser River in Halifax County. Several projects dealing with reclamation, farm ponds, rainbow trout and smallmouth bass are also being conducted. Full-time fisheries biologists are employed by the Division.

The Nova Scotia Travel Bureau, a division of the provincial Department of Trade and Industry, has been promoting saltwater sport fishing by conducting a series of courses for captains contemplating the establishment of charter services, awarding prizes to sportsmen with the largest tuna and bass catches of the season, sponsoring the International Tuna Cup Match and the Intercollegiate Game Fish Seminar and Fishing Match, and publishing a brochure listing charter boats available in the province.

**New Brunswick.**—Commercial fishing is one of the most important basic industries of New Brunswick, employing about 5,800 fishermen with annual earnings of \$11,000,000, and 2,500 plant workers. The annual marketed value of fish products is about \$46,500,000, of which 90 p.c. is exported to the United States. New Brunswick's commercial fisheries, both tidal and inland, are under the legislative jurisdiction of the federal Department of Fisheries; angling in Crown waters is the responsibility of the provincial Department of Natural Resources.