

In recent years the manufacture of containers and packages of various kinds has grown very rapidly since ways have been found of converting tough and cheap paper stocks into strongly made boxes which compete very favourably with the wooden crates and packing cases used formerly. Small attractive paper containers for use in the retail trade are growing in favour with the purchasing public and constitute an important branch of the paper-using industries.

Composition roofing and sheathing, consisting of paper felt saturated with asphalt or tar and in some cases coated with a mineral surfacing, is being increasingly used as a substitute for metal roofing, wooden shingles and siding materials. Wood-fibre building boards, some of which are produced by lamination in the paper-using industries, are now used extensively in construction, especially for insulating purposes, replacing lumber and wood,lath.

The growth of the paper-using industries in Canada since 1923 reflects these developments. In 1923, the 152 establishments in this group employed 6,870 persons, distributed \$7,442,102 in salaries and wages and produced goods valued at \$31,760,948. In 1952, these industries comprised 415 plants, provided employment for 25,162 persons whose earnings totalled \$67,328,956 and produced products worth \$352,261,134.

#### **Subsection 7.—Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries**

The printing trades group is made up of five closely related industries: printing and publishing, comprised of publishers who operate printing plants; printing and bookbinding, including general or commercial printers and bookbinders; lithographing, comprised of plants specializing in that process; engraving, stereotyping and electrotyping, including photo-engraving; and trade composition or type-setting for printers. A sixth industry covering publishers of periodicals who do not print their publications has been included since 1949. Although, strictly speaking, these publishers are not manufacturers, they are closely related to the printing trades which produce the plates, cuts, etc., and print newspapers, magazines, directories, year-books, almanacs, house organs and other periodicals for them.

In 1952, the printing trades employed 59,916 persons whose earnings totalled \$177,373,133. Their output was valued at \$449,508,758 and the raw materials used and services received cost \$138,809,747.

Periodicals valued at \$184,719,634 accounted for 45 p.c. of the value of printed matter and other products, daily newspapers alone contributing \$132,531,769. The value of periodicals is made up of \$130,160,344 received from advertising and \$54,559,290 received from subscriptions and sales of publications. In addition, the 1,405 publishers in the sixth industry reported revenues of \$26,888,494 from advertising and \$8,710,218 from sales of publications.