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## N. B. RESOURCES

Almost eighty per cent of the land area of New Brunswick is forested, according to a recent report issued by the Dominion Forest Service, Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa. The productive forests, containing merchantable timber and young growth of prospective value, are estimated at 21,773 square miles, and only 189 square miles are classed as non-productive forests. Of the productive forests, 10,682 square miles are Crown lands, and 11,091 square miles are granted or private land. The total estimate of merchantable timber amounts to 11,089 million cubic feet, about two-thirds of which are softwoods, mainly spruce, balsam, cedar and pine, and one-third hardwoods, mostly birch and maple. The average annual cut during the past thirty years has been about 150 million cubic feet, consisting of some 125 million cubic feet of softwood and 25 million cubic feet of hardwood.

New Brunswick ranks fourth in timber production among the provinces of Canada, and the products of its forest industries are second in value only to those of agriculture. Apart from being a source of raw material for the sawmills and pulp and paper industries, the forests of New Brunswick have long provided work and recreation for the inhabitants of the province. In normal years the lumber industry alone employs 10,000 men in woods operations, 7,500 men on river drives, and 6,500 men in sawmills.

Many other benefits are derived from the forests of New Brunswick. In addition to providing shelter and food for wild life, they regulate stream-flow, thus preventing disastrous floods in the spring and the drying up of watercourses in the summer months. Fish are plentiful in the numerous streams, and the excellent opportunities they provide for trout and salmon angling attract tourists from all parts of the world. Large sums have been invested by individuals and clubs in the promotion of hunting and fishing, with the result that the facilities offered to sportsmen while holidays in the woods of New Brunswick are considered of the first rank.

## ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

The factor indicating the trend of economic conditions averaged practically the same in the last week of April as in the preceding week. Gains were recorded by three factors, including carloadings, wholesale prices and common stocks. The index of capitalized bond yields receded slightly, while a considerable decline was shown in bank clearings and speculative trading. Steadiness has characterized economic conditions in Canada for the last eighteen months, no important trend either in an upward or downward direction having developed during the period. Fluctuations have occurred from time to time but reactions have been more or less counterbalanced by later improvement.

The railway freight movement recorded a gain after seasonal adjustment in both the Eastern and Western divisions, the general index of carloadings advancing from 72.1 to 73.6. Railway traffic during the first sixteen weeks of the year amounted to 654,000 cars against 709,000 in the same period of last year. Improvement was shown in grain, forest products, lumber, pulp and paper, and coke. Declines were shown by the other six commodity groups. The freight movement was considerably below that of last year during the first quarter, but a better showing was made during April.

The general level of whole prices was remarkably steady during the last eight months. A slight rise has been shown in recent weeks, the index moving up from 73.4 in the week of April 23rd to 73.5 in the week of

the 28th. Crop products and non-ferrous metals averaged slightly higher, while recessions were shown in animal products and non-metallic minerals. The level of wholesale prices was 9.8 per cent below the corresponding week of 1938, when the index stood at 81.5. Base metals were soft on the London market, electrolytic copper dropping from £48 on April 26th to £47 5s on May 2nd. Recessions were also shown in lead and zinc. Export copper was also somewhat lower on the New York metal market. Lead and zinc were unchanged, while the advance in tin continued. Grain prices on the Winnipeg exchange were higher than for some time, No. 1 Northern wheat advancing from 60½ to 62.

The bondward fluctuation in high-grade bond prices continued in the last week of April. This movement contracts with the advance during the first five months of last year. For the first time in the present year average prices of Dominion issues are consequently below the level of the same week of 1938. The average yield of the issue included in the official index advanced from 3.08 to 3.09. Bid quotations for prominent issues were lower on May 2nd than on April 26th, the 3's of 1950-55 receding from 99½ to 98½.

Common stock prices recorded minor gain in the last week of April, extending the rally of the preceding week. The index was 96.8 against 95.3 in the preceding week. Gains were recorded in each of the groups except pulp and paper and transportation. The index of fifteen power and traction stock moved up from 58.3 to 58.4.

The weekly index based on the six above-mentioned factors was practically maintained in the last week of April at 106.0, against 106.1 in the preceding week. The decline from the same week of 1938 was 3.2 per cent, carloadings being the only factor of the six to show an increase.

## CREATIVE WORK

One of the most interesting of recent developments in Canada has been the urge to original creative work among young musicians in many parts of the country. In years gone by musical composition was almost entirely confined to professional musicians of advanced training, but the situation is rapidly changing. Talented young composers of fresh inspiration, who in the past found it impossible to obtain encouragement, are now appearing. Eighteen months ago when the Canadian Performing Right Society decided on measures to stimulate original composition among Canadian musicians under 22 years of age, by annual competitions embracing substantial prizes, it apparently struck of the psychological moment.

The outcome of its 1938 and 1939 competitions astounded everyone associated with them. The first contest was an experiment, an attempt to ascertain whether talent for original composition really existed among the countless musical students in Canada. The results left no doubt that such was the case, and encouraged the Society to continue the competitions. Even among entrants who did not succeed in winning awards, this year's showing was so meritorious as to prove that there has been a widespread awakening of musical initiative among the youth of Canada.

The most surprising circumstance was that many of the best entries in both years did not come from greater centres of musical education but from smaller communities, — in some instances very small. Ten prizes have been awarded in the two years, for entries that in all cases included both vocal and instrumental composition; and geographically, these prizes have been distributed as follows: Saint John, N. B.; Charlottetown, P. E. I.; St. Georges de Beauce (Quebec); Toronto, Vancouver, and Seattle, Wash. In the last case, that of a young student of Icelandic descent, the Canadian classification would be Manitoba. In the 1939 competition Vancouver alone was represented by two prize winners.

The fact that the leading prize winners did not come from long established centres of musical education like Toronto and Montreal, is perhaps mainly due to the development of radio broadcasting. Knowledge of the higher order of music is no longer centralized. Less than a decade ago the acquaintance of 99 per cent of the Canadian population with symphony and other higher forms of music was practically nil. Now such knowledge is nationwide, and the radio listener in a small Canadian community is as well acquainted with the superb work of Beethoven and Brahms, as was the music lover in a world-centre like New York in 1929.

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## FIND GRAVE OF FIRST AMERICAN BORN CHILD

TYRRELL, May 9 — Virginia Dare, first child of English parents born in America, died at the age of ten and was buried in Tyrrell County, North Carolina, if a stone viewed in the living room of the home of Thomas B. Shallington, two blocks east of the Tyrrell County, North Carolina, courthouse, is authentic, writes Herbert Peele in The Greensboro Daily News.

The stone bears the following inscription:

VIRGINIA DARE  
B. AUGUST 1587  
D. 1597

The letters, crudely formed by holes punched in the hard and uneven surface of the flinty rock, are barely legible, but stand out clearly when the holes are joined with chalk.

Thomas Shallington, surveyor and native of Tyrrell County, whose work has made him familiar with almost every foot of the county, says that he and his son Billy, the latter a student at State College, found the stone, the central one of three, in an old graveyard across the Alligator Creek from Fort Landing, long since covered by the waters of the estuary of Alligator River.

That was August, 1938. Carefully marking the spot, Shallington returned to it the following November, got the stone and took it to his home, the inscription next to the wall, unobserved by anybody and known of only by two or three besides himself and his family, until a reporter who had heard of it asked to see it.

Without a moment's hesitation Mr. Shallington took the reporter into the living room, pulled the stone out from the wall and exhibited the inscription. The stone is about twenty-six inches long and weighs perhaps close to 100 pounds. Thomas Shallington, born in Alligator, where the tradition that the "lost colony" came over to Tyrrell from Dare has been current for generations, is confident that the stone is the headstone of Virginia Dare's grave.

Evitable influence on the younger generation. It was just and fitting that the Canadian Performing Right Society, whose functions as custodian of the interests of the composer is intimately bound up with broadcasting, should have taken the initiative in crystallizing a movement to stimulate composition in Canada. The importance of the competitions is not confined merely to the awards. This among the scores of young musicians now trying their wings, assuredly there are some who will make important contributions to Canadian music in years to come.

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What was their surprise when one evening he arrived home in time to join them at the evening meal, Mrs. Goodfellow, smiling brightly, arose from her seat at the table.

"Children," she said, "we have with us tonight a guest of whom you all have heard, even if you haven't met him often lately. He is a man who has a reputation for conviviality and cheer in every club and restaurant in the city.

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Sly Dog

"John, I hope I didn't see you smiling at that girl."  
"I hope you didn't, my dear."

The Remedy

Colonel (crowded train): I say, porter, we're packed like sardines here. Can't you do anything to relieve us!

"Porter (old soldier): Try numbering off from the right, and let the odd numbers breathe in while the even numbers breathe out.

The Test

Tommy: Mother, if baby swallowed some tadpoles, would it kill him?  
Mother: It might, dear.  
Tommy: But it hasn't, mother.

Mean!

Joggins: How do you get on with the boss, old man?  
Joggins: He's about the meanest man I know.

Joggins: How's that?  
Joggins: He's had the leg sawn off the wheelbarrow so that I can't sit it down and rest.

Stage All Set

Sardy happened upon a fellow-Scot lying in the road after a motor crash. "Did nae one see ye?" he asked. "No." "Well, I'm insured, too. Wud ye mind if I lay doon beside ye?"

Good Prospects

Smith: "So you're setting your boy up in the bakery business?"  
Jones: "Yes, he's so keen on dough and such a swell loafer that I'm sure he'll rise in the business."

More Popular

In the United States, they sell a lip-stick called the Lady. They also sell one called the Hussy. The Hussy outsells the Lady five-to-one.

## Child Plays Again After Great Ordeal

NEW YORK, May 9 — Out in suburban Ridgewood an eight-year-old girl ran and jumped rope, played hop-scotch and rode a bicycle yesterday — a girl whose father a few months ago was faced with the prospect his daughter must have her leg amputated or die.

The medical pronouncement came just before last Christmas after Dorothy Lewis complained of a severe pain from a large lump on her thigh. Diagnosis showed it was a "sarcoma," a malignant cancerous growth, which spreads rapidly.

It was put up to Dorothy's father, William Lewis, a truck laborer, this way: If the leg is amputated she will have one chance in 10 to recover; if the operation is not preformed, death within a few months.

Lewis asked a group of 20 doctors to help him reach a decision. The verdict was: operate.

After a week of uncertainty and anguish, the girl's father overruled the verdict and X-ray therapy treatments were tried.

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