

of extensive projects and surveys and prepared reports on health, physical education, the role of the sportsman, etc.

The Canadian General Education Association, established in 1919 and enrolling over 100 members, has a general office in Ottawa. It provides information, maintains a list of provincial federations and conducts research on various educational matters. The teaching bodies of all provinces are invited to one or more professional educational conferences. The affairs of their members, striving to promote good educational practice through meetings, conventions and the publication of professional magazines.

The Canadian School Teachers Association, and the provincial associations hold annual conferences, publish professional magazines and have fostered research in school finance.

The Canadian Home and School and Parent-Teacher Education holds annual conferences and provides leadership for provincial bodies.

The Royal French-Language Organization with national scope is an Association of French-speaking teachers.

The National Conference of Canadian Universities and Colleges acts as a meeting ground for university personnel, a research and information centre and an agency for collective action through committees, etc. The Canadian University League, a related body, is responsible, among its other duties, for the distribution of federal grants.

The Federation des colleges d'enseignants has recently established an office in Montreal and the Canadian Association of University Teachers has established one in Ottawa.

The Canadian Association for Adult Education serves as a clearing-house, holds radio forums and conferences and publishes a journal. Its permanent office is in Toronto. Its counterpart in Quebec, the Association canadienne d'education des adultes, serves the same functions for French-speaking adults.

Educational Research

Scientific research in Canada has expanded rapidly during the last few decades and growth has been notable in the social as well as the natural sciences. Faculty-of-education professors and students conduct pure and applied research. Educated research officers are employed by the CEA, the CIE, the WOCU, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, the Industrial Board, many provincial departments of education, and an increasing number of city schools. To coordinate research activities there are a National Advisory Committee on Educational Research and an increasing number of provincial committees, some of which at present produce research bulletins or journals. As the need for more research is recognized, services will undoubtedly be increased.

The Prospects

By 1951 the life expectancy in Canada, which had been climbing for some years, reached 68 years for males and 71 for females. This would have resulted in an aging population if the birth rate had not also been high enough after the 1940s to maintain the percentage of school-age. More than a fifth of Canada's population is regularly enrolled in school each year and the percentage of the working population engaged in secondary or tertiary education is about 21 per cent, with a rapidly-growing number of students in universities and colleges.