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Among the problems considered have been the harmonizing of economic controls in the two countries and the establishment of similar regulations in the matter of priorities and limitations on output in civilian industry. Price policies gave rise to a number of problems. Policies in regard to shipping and export controls were considered, particularly the equitable allocation of cargo space to Canadian imports, exports and the most efficient use of Lake shipping in transporting wheat to Britain and carrying iron ore from Lake Superior to the steel-producing areas of Canada and the United States. Plans for pooling materials and manufactures to meet essential Latin-American requirements were initiated.

The Joint Committees have also been preparing a first draft of a long-term report on economic co-operation between Canada and the United States.

Exploratory discussion of post-war problems led to the initiation by the Joint Economic Committees of a joint Canada-United States study of the north Pacific area, announced January 25, 1943. The area to be studied includes Alaska, the Yukon territory and northern British Columbia. The object is to study the possibilities for the economic development of the region in the light of wartime changes and for the benefit of the two countries and for the welfare of the inhabitants of the area. On the basis of the information being gathered, the Joint Economic Committees may make recommendations to the two governments regarding desirable measures of economic co-operation for the future development of the region.

**MATERIALS
CO-ORDINATING
COMMITTEE**

In order to promote the movement of primary materials between Canada and the United States, increase available supplies and collect and exchange information on raw material stocks in the two countries, the Materials Co-ordinating Committee, United States and Canada, was established May 1, 1941.

Canadian Representatives:

George C. Bateman, Metals Controller, Department of Munitions and Supply
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Four sub-committees, on forest products, copper, zinc and ferro-alloys have been set up. The committee has arranged for a large increase in Canadian aluminum production and substantially raised nickel output for United States consumption. The movement of zinc and copper concentrates to the United States has been increased. Large sales of lead and mercury have been made to the United States. The Materials