

of the services are being expanded to include forest engineering, forest use and some forest inventory. These areas are being assumed in order to provide the public with improved service, and to ensure that the forests of Northern Canada will be put to the best use.

Local forest officers, previously operating under the misleading title of park wardens, will now perform duties under the more familiar title of forest ranger. The introduction of new names for the forestry staffs will not involve an increase in staff or additional expenditure.

PLANNING CANADA'S PROSPERITY

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rate, in line with our trade and development needs; tax incentives to encourage industrial research; tax incentives based on increased sales to encourage greater production; accelerated depreciation to encourage plant modernization and new-product development; the expansion of credit facilities for export; new provisions for labour training and re-allocation of workers; tariff incentives relating to automatic transmissions and engines for motor vehicles, designed to encourage domestic production and exports.

"In addition, an Atlantic Development Board has been established and the members have been appointed. We believe that this Board can make a very valuable contribution to the development of the Atlantic Provinces. A bill was also introduced into the House of Commons to create a National Economic Development Board. As you know, however, this bill did not become legislation before Parliament was dissolved.

"...The pegging of the Canadian dollar at a fixed par value has been of direct assistance to both our exporters and to our industries dependant on the domestic market. In terms of price, their competitive position has been improved substantially. In addition, however, I believe this step has helped to provide Canadian businessmen with that intangible factor of confidence which is essential for industrial progress. The improved competitiveness of Canadian producers resulting from this measure and others,

such as the tax incentives, will continue to provide a stimulus....

CO-OPERATION FOR PRODUCTIVITY

"The second area with which all of us must be concerned is that of productivity. Our success in maintaining high levels of employment in the long run will depend on increases in our productivity, thereby raising the level of our industrial efficiency. Although the term productivity is difficult to define except in statistical terms, the basic conception is easily understood. It means making the most efficient use of resources of plant, manpower and materials. It has relevance to every field of endeavour, whether it be management, government or labour. While many factors influence productivity levels, there is one which is of major importance. That is the degree of labour-management co-operation. During the past year there has been a significant change in attitude on the part of both labour and management in Canada. There appears to be a growing understanding of one another's points of view....

"The third area to which we should direct our efforts is the search for new production and marketing opportunities. Governments can provide incentives, encouragement and various forms of direct assistance to businessmen. But government programmes should not be used as a crutch. Under our economic systems, in the final analysis, it is the business community's responsibility to find these opportunities and to take the utmost advantage of them....

"One characteristic Canadian businessmen must cultivate...is the faculty of critical assessment of existing company practices. This applies to all areas of company operations, but in particular, I believe, to the areas of production and procurement....

"Every form of human endeavour needs some form of plan if it is to be successfully concluded. So does the development of the economy. However, planning and authoritarianism are not synonymous and I hope in this country never will be. They will not be, so long as business, labour and governments recognize that each has defined responsibilities to each other and discharges those responsibilities in the interests of Canada."

EXPANDED DUTIES
Members of the Yukon and Mackenzie Forest Services are responsible for the vital work of protecting the important resource from fire. Duties
Although the forestry staffs in the Yukon and Mackenzie are small in number their work is comparable to their counterparts in the provinces.
"In recognition of their increasing responsibility for the forested areas of the Yukon Territory and the Mackenzie District of the Northwest Territories, forestry staffs in these two areas will now operate as the Yukon Forest Service and the Mackenzie Forest Service. It was announced recently by Mr. Walter Dinsdale, Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources, "this is one way in which we can also give these men recognition for their good work over the past years," said Mr. Dinsdale.
Total fire fatalities for that year were 250.
49 more than the number of child deaths for 1961.
by the increase in the number of child fatalities,
722 men, 110 women and 260 children) was marked
have been tabulated. The loss of life during 1962
will be exceeded by the one that returns for 1962
and to \$128,000. However, the 1961 totals may
a total of 83,700 trees and property damage amount-
some what smaller than those for 1961, which showed
these preliminary fire loss figures for 1962.

In announcing the latest figures, Mr. Fulton pointed out that Canada continues to have one of the highest fire loss records per capita of any country in the world for which statistics are available.
The Minister said that experience in other countries as well as in Canada clearly showed that the Canadian record could be improved by better fire-prevention practices. He said that much