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FIND WINTER WORK
15,074 HARVESTERS

Soldier Settlement Board Closes Its Canvass.

The active canvass for openings for winter employment for the 11,000 Imperial ex-service men and others who came to Canada to help garner the crops is closed, and Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Immigration, yesterday made the statement that the Soldier Settlement Board field supervision staff listed 15,074 places.

Over half the number, or 7,846, are for farm jobs, 6,334 are for lumbering and bush work, 460 are required on railway construction in Saskatchewan, while there are openings for land clearing and mining in British Columbia and Alberta, as well as some work opportunities in a number of the trades. By Soldier Settlement Board districts the numbers are: St. John, 66; Sherbrooke, Que., 150; Toronto, 4,526; Winnipeg, 577; Regina, 859; Saskatoon, 830; Prince Albert, 3,025; Calgary, 1,322; Edmonton, 2,875; Vernon, B.C., 360; Vancouver, 474.

Already the actual placing of the temporary harvesters in the positions which have been found, the fitting of the man to the job is well under way. It is pointed out that the opportunities for winter employment are necessarily restricted to certain industries. There is not the same range of choice as there would be in the spring when many branches of industry become more active. There is no question that the overseas harvesters who are anxious to remain in Canada over the winter and be on hand for more remunerative employment in the spring will be quick to accept the opportunity presented, at reasonable wages, rather than return to the Old Country, perhaps to swell the ranks of the unemployed.

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