

## FINAL CENSUS COUNTS

Summary totals of final 1961 Census counts by citizenship, birthplace and period of immigration were released recently by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

### CITIZENSHIP

The number of persons reporting Canadian citizenship increased by 26.6 per cent in the 1951-61 period and represented 94.2 per cent of the population in 1961 (96.8 per cent in 1951). On the other hand, the relatively high level of immigration between 1951 and 1961 resulted in an increase of 139.1 per cent in the number of residents in 1961 who were not citizens of Canada. These persons represented 5.8 per cent of the total population in 1961, compared with 3.2 per cent a decade earlier.

### BIRTHPLACE

The number of persons born in Canada increased by 28.8 per cent in the 1951-61 period and represented 84.4 per cent of the population in 1961 (85.3 per cent in 1951). The foreign-born population living in Canada on June 1, 1961, had increased by 38.1 per cent since 1951, and formed 15.6 per cent of the total population. Approximately 27 per cent of these persons had immigrated to Canada before 1921, 20 per cent between 1921 and 1945 and 53 per cent since 1945.

### BY PROVINCES

Among the provinces, Newfoundland had the largest proportion reporting Canadian citizenship and birthplace in 1961 with 99.4 per cent and 98.6 per cent, respectively. Ontario, with 91.0 per cent, had the lowest percentage of persons of Canadian citizenship, while British Columbia had the lowest proportion of Canadian-born, with 74.0 per cent.

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## LITERARY AWARDS COMMITTEE

At the request of the retiring chairman, Guy Sylvestre, the Canada Council has announced the names of members of the Committee for the Governor General's Literary Awards for 1962-63. Principal Northrop Frye of Victoria College, Toronto, succeeds Mr. Sylvestre as general chairman, Miss Mary Winspear, of Weston School, Westmount, replaces Dr. Alfred Bailey, and Professor Léopold Lamontagne of Laval University, Quebec, is replacing Dr. J.-C. Bonenfant. Other members are Dr. Roy Daniells, University of British Columbia, chairman of the English sub-committee, Dr. F.W. Watt, University of Toronto, Dr. Roger Duhamel, Queen's Printer, chairman of the French sub-committee, and Rev. Clément Lockquell of Laval University.

Governor General's Awards are made annually for the best Canadian fiction, poetry and non-fiction in both English and French. A Canada Council cash prize of \$1,000 accompanies each award.

## MORE CANADIAN JOBS

The number of job placements made by the National Employment Service during the first six months of 1962 surpassed all corresponding periods since 1945, according to a statement recently issued by Mr. Laval Fortier, Chief Commissioner of the Unemployment Insurance Commission.

Placements made by the NES during the first half of the year totalled 592,218, an increase of 24.1 per cent over the 477,279 jobs filled in the corresponding six months of 1961. The number of male placements was 408,245, compared to 323,079 in the first six months of 1961, an increase of 26.3 per cent. Females placed numbered 183,973, an increase of 19.3 per cent over the 154,200 placed in the same period last year.

### INCREASED MOBILITY

The fact that the NES made 31,760 placements by transfer of workers from one local office area to another is indicative of the greater mobility of Canadian labour. This was an increase of 59 per cent over the number of transfer placements made in the same period of 1961.

Also noteworthy is the increase in the number of physically-handicapped persons placed in employment. Placement of handicapped workers totalled 9,684 in the first six months of this year, an increase of 22.9 per cent over the 7,881 placed in the first six months of 1961.

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## JAPAN-CANADA WHALING VENTURE

Japanese nationals are participating in Canadian whaling for the first time. Two of the whale catchers in the Pacific whaling fleet are former Japanese vessels with engines and electronic equipment unfamiliar to Canadians. While these ships will be manned by Canadian crews, each will have three Japanese officers: a captain gunner, a mate-electronic technician and a supervisory chief-engineer, all of whom speak English.

It is, of course, normal for the Canadian whaling industry to import its captain-gunners from countries where Antarctic whaling is a tradition. In the past they have come chiefly from Norway. In the case of the Japanese vessels, it was necessary to bring not only the captains but also the mates and engineers to train Canadians in the operation of unfamiliar engines and equipment.

The revival of whaling on Canada's west coast comes about through the linking of Canadian and Japanese capital and techniques in the Western Canada Whaling Company Limited. The new company represents a partnership between British Columbia Packers Limited of Canada and Taiyo Gyogyo of Japan. The latter is reputed to be the world's largest fishing company.

Western Canada Whaling Company will operate out of the Coal Harbour whaling station on the west

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