

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE - Robert E. Byron

R. E. Byron was born and educated in Edmonton. He holds B.Sc., and B.Ed., degrees of the University of Alberta, and the M.A., (Industrial Education) degree of the University of Minnesota.

He taught in the secondary schools of Alberta and at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology, Calgary, and served overseas as a pilot with the R.C.A.F. In the immediate post-war years he served as Supervisor of Veterans Rehabilitation Training, Canadian Vocational Training, and in 1948 was appointed Divisional Superintendent of Schools. In 1950 he was appointed Supervisor of Industrial Arts and in 1952, Director of Vocational Education for the Province of Alberta. From this position he accepted the appointment of Director of Technical Assistance, External Aid Office, Ottawa.

In 1956 he was a member of a Manpower Advisory Team in Greece under the auspices of the International Labour Organization. In 1957 he served in Ceylon as Technical Education Adviser, Colombo Plan Administration. Since 1952 he has been a member of the National Vocational Training Advisory Council, Department of Labour, Ottawa. He has been for a number of years a member of the Board of Directors, Alberta Division, Canadian National Institute for the Blind, and a member of The Provincial Committee, Air Cadet League of Canada.