

The Address—Mr. Scott

endeavours to another field, that of tourists, and today the highlands of Haliburton are recognized across continents as being the most beautiful, as well as the most productive in the way of fish and game. Haliburton county has over 500 named lakes and another 500 unnamed lakes. It has tremendous possibilities.

Besides being a vacation land Haliburton county has also mining industries, particularly in regard to uranium, an industry which I understand is to be further exploited. These mines are in the township of Cardiff, and it is hoped that consideration will be given to the stockpiling of uranium. North Ontario is a rich farming community with a lot of fine villages with beautiful lakes and summer resorts, one of the many beauty spots in my riding.

Lindsay is the county town of Victoria county and is better known as the gateway to the Kawartha lakes. It is fast becoming a town of attractive homes, larger and better schools, large and commodious churches, and is now on the verge of becoming an industrial centre with two large new industries, added to those we already have, to be located in the area early this coming summer.

The town depends a great deal on the rich agricultural land which surrounds the municipality. It has excellent recreational facilities. Kent street, the main artery, is 100 feet wide. The Scugog river flows through the town from Scugog lake to Sturgeon lake, while many smaller lakes are nestled in the area and within easy reach of the town. Last summer a very impressive ceremony was held at Fenelon Falls in Victoria county marking the official opening of the new single flight lock. Built as a part of the \$12 million Trent canal improvement program, the new lock will greatly facilitate travel between points above and below the village, which is a real necessity in view of the phenomenal growth in travel along the Trent canal system. In 1953, about 23,000 boats used the Trent canal system. By 1960, the total had risen to 75,000 and last year the total reached 94,000. Along this route at Kirkfield is the second highest lift lock in Canada.

We also have in Victoria county Hogg and Lytle's massive elevators. From these elevators seed grain is shipped all over Canada and the United States.

I have had numerous letters and petitions from all the Royal Canadian Legion branches, service clubs, ladies' organizations as well as private individuals in my riding who are very much concerned about our flag, the red ensign, which they all feel should be kept and honoured as our own Canadian flag. I could tell the house a lot more about my

beloved constituency of Victoria, Haliburton and northern Ontario, the highlands of Haliburton and the fine town of Lindsay, but I should like to hear other members from different parts of Canada tell us something regarding their constituencies. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Reid Scott (Danforth): Mr. Speaker, I rise to participate in this debate for the purpose of urging upon the government the necessity for setting up a national foundation on automation in Canada. Automation, Mr. Speaker, is a word that is much talked about today. It is a change which is much feared both by labour and by industry, and I think this in large measure is due to the fact that we know very little about it and in Canada at least we are in no way preparing ourselves to meet the changes that it will introduce into our economy.

In a recent conference in Ontario sponsored by the Ontario government a large group of businessmen and labour leaders from all over North America gathered to discuss this highly important subject. To read the press reports of their comments is to undergo one of the most frightening and staggering experiences one could have. For example, Mr. Kenneth Brown, international president of the amalgamated lithographers, said that automation is "the most pressing economic problem of the next decade". Sir Geoffrey Vickers, a noted English authority, said in his speech that a social revolution will come about as a result of automation. Professor Charles Hendy forecast "a world of increasing unemployment and chaotic financial systems if we do not respond correctly to automation". John Snyder, Jr., president of United States Industries Incorporated, said:

There is absolutely no doubt that automation will change the world.

While President Kennedy was alive he classified automation as "the major challenge of the 60's", and his sentiments have been echoed by Premier Khrushchev and other world leaders.

There are those in the community who claim that automation is really nothing but another word for progress. Nothing can be more dangerous or more absurd. The impact of automation has already found its way into Canada, as I hope to show in a few moments, and it will usher in a range of social, economic, political and philosophical readjustments that I think will tax the energies, abilities and imagination of our legislators throughout our lifetime.

Mr. John Diebold, president of management consulting companies which manufacture these new machines, puts it this way: