

For the past two years the nutrition division has conducted nutrition surveys, on request, in various parts of Canada; in particular in British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Ontario, Quebec and Nova Scotia. Along with the surveys a special effort is made to discuss individual problems with the persons studied or, in the case of children, with their parents. The results show that in some sections one child in five has evidence of past rickets; in other sections one person in eight is definitely anaemic. There are evidences that nutritional levels are improving but improvement is achieved slowly. Much more needs to be done and, with the co-operation of various interested governmental and private agencies the work is proceeding.

All types of educational approaches are being used to assist Canadians in establishing good food habits. The nutrition division has prepared booklets, posters, films, filmstrips and teaching materials on various aspects of food and nutrition. Literature has been compiled on food budgeting, school lunches, the feeding of those in different age groups, the value and sources of particular foods and food elements, and on approved methods of cookery. A point of interest is that the nutrition division prepares the bulk of nutrition education material in use in Canada and distributes it free of charge, with most of it being channelled to and through the provincial governments. In the educational approach to nutrition problems the Canadian council on nutrition has played a very important guiding role.

Although inspection of food services in war industries stopped with the end of the war, many Canadian plants have continued to operate such services. Part of the work of the department consists of continuing to give advice on matters of food service to industries requesting it. Information and assistance in connection with group feeding is also sought by camps, hospitals and other institutions, and by other departments of the federal government. During the past year, in response to a request from the Indian health services, the nutrition division established a consultation and advisory service on food and nutrition in Indian residential schools across Canada. Many of these schools have been inspected by nutrition experts, and steps are being taken to improve the nutrition and health of our Indian population.

A result of the greater interest in food and nutrition problems has been an increasing number of inquiries received by the department on such subjects. In many cases such requests can be dealt with by forwarding litera-

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ture on the particular topic. In other cases reference is made to the department's nutrition library in order to supply data on particular points. The information requested may vary from a very small item to a request for detailed plans for a provincial nutrition program or a request for assistance in planning a large scale food service and appropriate meals.

#### FILM BOARD—OFFICES IN OTHER COUNTRIES

Mr. STEWART (Winnipeg North):

1. What offices had the national film board in (a) the British commonwealth; (b) the United States; (c) other countries as of December 31, 1947?

2. How many persons were employed in each office and what were their classifications and salaries?

3. How many films were (a) sold; (b) rented; (c) exhibited free during the nine month period April 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947, in each of the areas mentioned in first question?

Mr. WINTERS:

1. (a) London, England; Sydney, Australia. (b) New York, Washington, Chicago. (c) Mexico City, Mexico.

2. (a) London, England—6 persons—

Name—Classification—Salary

Golightly, J. P. R., N.F.B. representative, \$480 per month; Jenner, H. L., stenographer, £5-12-6 per week; Slater, M. C., stenographer, £5-6-0 per week; Swift, M., office boy, £3 per week; Urquhart, E., distribution assistant, \$215 per month; Leigh, M., production and distribution assistant, \$215 per month.

Sydney, Australia—4 persons—

Donohoe, V., secretary, £6-10 per week; Asheroft, D., clerk, £7-10 per week; Dowling, M., office boy, £3 per week; Watson, H., distribution officer, \$300 per month.

(b) New York office—6 persons—

Apuzzo, A., messenger and shipping clerk, \$215 per month U.S.; Mitchell, P. C., secretary, \$170 per month U.S.; McKenzie, M., bookkeeper and clerk, \$220 per month Can.; Scellen, J., distribution officer, \$300 per month Can.; Scythes, E. W., distribution officer, \$300 per month Can.; Sims, A., clerk, \$172 per month Can.

Washington office—3 persons—

Macoun, P., film librarian, \$195 per month Can.; Savage, L., distribution officer, \$300 per month Can.; Schmidt, A. F., secretary, \$200 per month U.S.

Chicago office—3 persons—

Carter, M., distribution officer, \$375 per month U.S.; Hager, M. R., clerk-typist (part-time), \$125 per month U.S.; Murray, R., secretary, \$1.15 per hour U.S.