

# IN ALL CANADIAN PROVINCES

## NOVA SCOTIA.

Prof. M. Cumming, Secretary for Agriculture for Nova Scotia, telegraphs:

"Production meetings have been held all over this Province and bulletins and literature have been distributed in every farmer's home. The policy of guaranteeing the trade, including farmers' co-operative associations, against loss on any unsold surplus promises to insure an abundant supply of seed oats, wheat, etc. We have imported one hundred cars of fertilizer to supplement trade supplies and are distributing substantial quantities of hardy strains of beans. More than 200 extra two-furrow plows have been bought following our policy of encouraging the purchasing of large farm implements. Our seed mill policy will likely double their wheat acreage as compared with 1918. A farmer's bank credit scheme for purchasing seed and fertilizer is being arranged. Despite last fall's propaganda a shortage of young pigs is likely to curtail pig raising in our cities and towns. Gardening is being organized on a bigger scale. The Soldiers of the Soil movement is promising. Councils will hold war sessions and the Lieutenant Governor has proclaimed April 7-14 as preparation week. Every clergyman of the province has been requested to present the situation in the churches on April 7.

## QUEBEC.

The Quebec Department of Agriculture, acting through the recently-established Greater Production Service, has inaugurated a vigorous campaign to encourage the farmers of that province to increase by 600,000 acres the acreage this year in cereal and other crops. Local Greater Production committees have been organized in every agricultural parish and prizes will be offered as an inducement to farmers to put a larger area of their farms under crop. Only those with at least one-fifth of the tillable area of their farms under cultivation will be admitted to the competition. The prizes will be awarded to farmers who seed the largest proportion of their tillable land this year in wheat, barley, rye, oats, peas, Indian corn, beans, roots, potatoes, green forage and mixed grains. The Greater Production Service is co-operating fully with the Canada Food Board. Special efforts are being made to secure additional farm labour during the coming season, and a Director of Farm Labour has been appointed in charge of the work.

## ONTARIO.

The work and plans for the Organization of Resources Committee of Ontario have already been referred to in The Canadian Food Bulletin. This information, however, is supplemented by the following report from Dr. A. H. Abbott, Secretary.

"Our township organization work is becoming fruitful. The Soldiers of the Soil campaign seems now to be highly satisfactory as thousands more boys have enlisted in this province than were secured last year. Our advertising in the cities for men to help on the farms is already bringing results. A garden campaign through the public schools is in progress. The recent proclamation in the interests of greater production and meetings of county councils which followed the proclamation, have aroused enthusiasm throughout all parts of the province. A bill has been passed providing for cultivation of lands in urban centres which are now unproductive.

"Our Committee is publishing a full report on the feeding of garbage to hogs in cities of the United States, and new regulations have been issued by the Dominion Veterinary-General as the result of representations made by us. These permit the feeding of raw garbage to properly immunized hogs.

"One of the most difficult aspects of the production problem is the filling of applications for help from farmers. We hope to continue to fill each such application as we are now doing."

## SENDING WHEAT SUBSTITUTES.

### Shortage of Wheat is Shown in Exports to the Allied Nations.

Substitutes for wheat are now being sent from American ports to Europe in increasing quantities because of the tremendous need there for foodstuffs and the shortage of wheat. From January 1 to March 9, 14,200,000 bushels of oats were shipped from the United States, as compared with 3,000,000 bushels during the corresponding period of 1917.

## MORE SPRING WHEAT NEEDED.

Hon. C. A. Dunning, Director of Production on the Canada Food Board, in his message to the Grain Growers' convention, announced that the Allies will require from every farmer in Canada at least 10 acres of wheat in 1918 for each 7 acres grown in 1917 on the basis of average yield.