

field crops, fruits, greenhouses and nurseries; condition of the land; irrigation, new breaking and forest fires; farm machinery and equipment; employment; live stock; forest products; dairy products, etc. This schedule was drawn up in consultation with Dominion and provincial Departments of Agriculture and other agricultural authorities, and in the light of suggestions made for a World Census of agriculture by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

Owing to its limited agricultural activity, there will be a separate, smaller agriculture schedule for Newfoundland. On the form for recording live stock and greenhouses elsewhere than on farms information will be collected about the numbers of cattle, poultry, bees, goats, swine, and the area of greenhouses and the value of their production, on holdings of less than three acres.

The enumeration booklet for commercial fishermen will classify fishermen as fishing on their own account, on shares or "lay", or for wages in four groupings according to the number of days spent in fishing. This information will provide the basis of a sample survey to be taken later in the year.

On the enumeration folio for the Census of Distribution the enumerators will enter details concerning the name, address, kind of business and relative sales-size classification of all retail, wholesale and service establishments. This will provide a mailing record which will serve as a basis for the conduct of a mail questionnaire survey early in 1952.

The irrigation schedule is applicable only to those sections of Canada where irrigation is an important aspect of the farm picture, and will supply basic data, for the Government Departments concerned, of the acreages affected and other relevant facts.

In connection with these somewhat elaborate and searching inquiries three points should be emphasized: (1) that no question has been inserted merely to gratify idle curiosity but only because the resulting tabulation of the information has a distinct bearing on basic social or economic conditions; (2) that census information obtained from or about an individual may not be used for taxation or for military purposes; and (3) that the answers given by the individual are absolutely confidential, every enumerator and all other employees of the Bureau being under oath not to reveal any single item about any individual under penalty of fine or imprisonment or both: the Bureau itself is also forbidden by the Statistics Act of 1948 to issue any statement that would lay bare any personal matter. Though the name of every person is taken down by the enumerator this is not for the purpose of associating the individual with any of the facts recorded but merely to serve as a check on the accuracy and completeness of the enumeration. The census is first and last for statistical purposes only. It should also be noted that enumerators are required to use courtesy and tact in collecting the information.