

The Address—Mr. Robichaud

in Canadian history. New industries have sprung up in the maritime provinces, new pulp and paper mills have come into being, power generation is increasing gradually, and New Brunswick's lead, zinc, copper and manganese developments have given our province new industrial importance. We will be waiting with great interest for this report of the Gordon commission. We feel confident that proper consideration has been given to our difficulties in the field of transportation, and in the supplying of electrical energy.

We regard as a move in the right direction the recent decision of the board of transport commissioners which has resulted in a saving of \$100,000 annually for our New Brunswick potato farmers. We approve of the recent announcement of the Canadian government travel bureau to increase by \$300,000 its annual contribution for the promotion of the tourist industry in the maritime provinces where the charm of our ports, our salmon rivers, our valleys, our long coast line and historic woodland highways and our moderate climate is attracting thousands of tourists annually to spend some \$50 million a year.

We support the renewal of an agreement between the Canadian government, the province of New Brunswick and private industry to carry on with the spraying program to protect our forests against the disastrous destruction by budworms. In this particular field we sincerely hope that the Canadian government will recognize the importance of our forests to our general economy and, in view of the wide scope of this program, increase substantially the federal contribution which to date has reached a total of over \$2 million.

We most welcome the latest revision of the Unemployment Insurance Act regulations which provides for the inclusion of commercial fishermen in unemployment insurance benefits. The application of this new measure could easily mean an additional \$200,000 annually for the fishermen of Gloucester county.

(Translation):

Mr. Speaker, in formally seconding the resolution moved by the hon. member for Edmonton-Strathcona, I should also like to pay tribute to the right hon. Prime Minister.

At this time, and in this critical period of our history, the Canadian people are thankful to Divine Providence for the fact that they have as a leader a man whose wisdom and foresight are also greatly admired abroad. He knows how to apply to national affairs those same Christian principles which he has adopted with regard to his own life, and his policy is based on his determination to preserve Canadian unity while securing for each and everyone the material and cultural security which is essential to our national unity.

(Text):

On motion of Mr. Diefenbaker the debate was adjourned.

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Report of the parliamentary librarian.—
Mr. Speaker.

On motion of Mr. St. Laurent (Quebec East) the house adjourned at 4.52 p.m.