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### STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS

According to a preliminary summary of strikes and lockouts released recently by Mr. John R. Nicholson, Minister of Labour, there were fewer work stoppages in May than in the previous month, with less workers involved and a smaller time-loss.

There were 95 work stoppages in May, involving 28,465 workers and a time-loss of 332,450 man-days,

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compared to 108 stoppages in April with 50,838 workers involved and a time-loss of 441,130 man-days.

Three stoppages were in industries under federal jurisdiction. Of the remainder, 40 were in Ontario, 32 in Quebec, 10 in British Columbia, five in Manitoba, two in New Brunswick and one each in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan.

Fifty-one of the work stoppages involved 100 or more workers. Of these, 22 were terminated by the end of the month.

### INDUSTRIES AFFECTED

A breakdown by industry of the month's work stoppages shows 54 in manufacturing, 13 in construction, nine in trade, six in transportation and utilities, six in public administration, five in service and two in mines.

Based on the number of non-agricultural wage and salary workers in Canada, the number of man-days lost in May represented 0.27 per cent of the estimated working time, compared to 0.38 per cent in April. The corresponding figure for May 1965 was 0.14 per cent.

### CANADA'S DESIGN

A delegation of nine administrators of the Canada Pension Plan and the Quebec Pension Plan visited Washington, D.C. recently to discuss with American officials reciprocal arrangements between the Canadian plans and the United States Social Security programs.

This, the first meeting on this subject, was of course exploratory. The complexities involved necessitate continuing negotiations to ensure that the rights of people moving from one country to the other will be fully protected.

Among the topics discussed were recognition of the Canadian pension programs and the United States Social Security Act so that payment of benefits by the U.S. might be made to beneficiaries living in Canada, ensuring that coverage be continued for people who work in both countries and the possibility of allowing contributors to combine their contributory periods in both countries for the purpose of receiving benefits.