

of the fishing industry. The program must also take account of the increasingly important sport fishery.

I believe it is found that Canada is lagging behind many other countries in her fisheries development. When we read of these great floating factories which countries like Russia and Japan have, where they process the fish from the time they take it out of the water until they put it in tin cans and sell it in different parts of the world, we realize just how far we have to go to catch up to them.

Honourable senators, I was going to say something about federal-provincial relations, but I will leave that for another time.

We are glad to see that the Canada Pension Plan is still around, and that the Government has signified its intention to proceed with it shortly, this in spite of the doubts that have been raised by the Government of Ontario. We believe the Canada Pension Plan was conceived with great haste. It first appeared on form of a resolution in July, 1963, just a few months after the present Government took office. Since then Quebec has indicated that it is going ahead with its own plan and will not be participating, as it feels the federal plan is an intrusion into provincial rights.

The Government of Ontario has expressed misgivings. The Premier of Ontario, in a letter to Prime Minister Pearson, as reported in the *Globe and Mail* of February 15 last, said:

While appreciating the willingness of the Government of Canada to entertain changes, the Government of Ontario regrets that they fall short of what we had hoped. While changes have been made they are little in accord with the representations that we have made.

Ontario has its own scheme, which is based on existing private plans. The Government of Ontario is concerned that the federal plan will upset existing pension plans in Ontario and, of course, in the rest of Canada. The Government of Ontario is also concerned with the magnitude of the reserve fund to be built up, estimated to be \$2.5 billion. Since Quebec would not be participating, most of this fund would come from the people of Ontario. Premier Robarts maintains that the provinces should have 90 per cent of the reserve fund available for their own investment purposes, leaving 10 per cent for the federal Government. Of course, this is a very small amount.

It now seems that the plan will have to undergo still further changes if it is to be acceptable to the Government of Ontario. Such a plan is not possible without Ontario's participation. May I say that we in the other

provinces outside Ontario and Quebec are anxious that a satisfactory plan be implemented as soon as possible.

I would like now to say just a few words on foreign affairs. We were interested in the recent visit of the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom and his Foreign Secretary to this country. Sir Alec Douglas-Home, on his first official visit to Canada, came at a time when his Government had been called upon to try to keep the peace in Cyprus and East Africa, not to mention Malaysia. It is apparent that Canada is being thought of to participate in a peace-keeping force for Cyprus—that is, if any agreement can be reached, and President Makarios of Cyprus seems to be a very hard man with whom to negotiate and from whom to obtain agreement.

Conditions for the dispatching of such a force from Canada were outlined by the Prime Minister a few days ago. He made it clear that any Canadian force would only serve under the United Nations, and for a limited period. Canada has been called upon by the United Nations on other occasions, and each time, as we all know, has met such requests in an able manner. We have sent our troops to the Congo, the Gaza Strip, the Far East and other parts of the world.

Speaking of the general situation, I do not think there is the same worry in the world today over nuclear war that there was perhaps a year ago. The United States and Russia seem to be getting closer together as far as the reduction of arms is concerned. They both claim to have a sufficient deterrent in the case of nuclear war to blow the other off the face of the earth, indeed to destroy the entire earth, so there is not much point in worrying too much over that situation. But the small bush wars in the African countries and in other parts of the world are the ones which are claiming most of our attention.

At this time when we hear so much talk of separatism we are pleased to know that Her Gracious Majesty the Queen, on the invitation of the Government of Canada, will visit us during the coming year. She will be visiting Charlottetown and Quebec City to participate in ceremonies marking the 100th anniversary of the historic conferences held in these cities and which led to Confederation.

As a Maritimer I am proud of the part the Maritime provinces played in Confederation. I am sure Her Majesty will receive a tremendous reception in Charlottetown, just as I am sure she will also receive a wonderful welcome in the old City of Quebec.

We should be particularly happy that Her Majesty should visit us at this time for, whatever our differences may be, the bonds that unite all Canadians are, in my opinion,