

(3) Acting as a central agency for the collection of relevant statistical material, references, and other information.

(4) Acting as a centralising department for research expenditures.

(5) The prosecution of research (additional to that of graduate students) contributing to the general programme.

(6) The provision of lectures on the economic theory of unemployment and its related problems.

The collection and compilation of basic and generally relevant material has been proceeding, with the aid of one full-time (salaried) research assistant, and some occasional part-time help. Some of this is already available in incomplete form for students requiring it. Some of it is shaping towards the stage in which it can be written up in study form. The following are the most advanced.

1. Statistics of the industrial and occupational character of Montreal, with comparative material for Canada and other areas. This can only be brought up to date when 1931 Census material is available. Arrangements have been made to secure this as soon as it is ready.

2. Analysis of the post-war employment and unemployment statistics of Canada (and Montreal).

3. A study of seasonal fluctuations, as between different areas and industrial groups, in Montreal and Canada.

4. Data for the preparation of social and economic base maps of Montreal. A good deal of the necessary material has been assembled. But some essential data have to be secured from 1931 Census results. Some extra assistance could profitably be employed on this at an early date.

#### Future Extension of Work.

The lines along which future work are likely to proceed can be indicated briefly as follows:

1. Extension or "follow-up" of the "departmental" projects now under way, e.g., studies of other important industries (Economics); of immigrant groups other than British (Sociology); other aspects of vocational guidance and juvenile employment; the training or retraining of unemployed, (Education, Psychology), etc.

2. Extension by more detailed work, of the study of the industrial and occupational character of Montreal (e.g., studies of mobility of industries, changes in type of skills required, in recent years).

3. Participation by the Law and Medical departments.

4. Beginning of detailed study of institutions and organisation dealing with unemployment problems in Montreal.

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