

condition. The amendments made to these measures during the session will further extend their benefits. You have also made provision for assisting fishermen by establishing a system of long term mortgage credit.

The enactment of the measure relating to Unemployment and Social Insurance will, through the establishment of a national labour exchange service, provide for dealing more effectively with the problem of seasonal and other unemployment, and will afford the means whereby Canadian workers can, with the assistance of the Government, make provision for their own security.

Following a conference with the representatives of all the Provinces my Ministers have decided to appoint a Royal Commission to make a thorough investigation of our national health problems with a view of proposing a definite plan for the co-operation of Federal and Provincial authorities in a National Health policy.

The measures which you have taken to provide for public works and undertakings throughout Canada, to authorize the guarantee of certain railway equipment securities, and to assist in the construction of houses will, it is confidently believed, do much to stimulate industry in the building trades throughout the country and create employment.

The action which you have taken during the past few years to raise prices paid to wheat producers gives effect to the policy adopted at the Empire Economic Conference held at Ottawa and the World Economic Conference held at London. By your action in providing for the Canadian Wheat Board that policy will be continued.

The provisions which you have made for the revaluation of gold and an exchange stabilization fund constitute an important effort to restore normal exchange conditions throughout the world and make possible a greater volume of international trade.

Important amendments have been made to the Income War Tax Act, and provision has been made for the rehabilitation of drouth and soil drifting areas in the Prairie Provinces. Other measures include The Relief Act and An Act to amend and consolidate the acts relating to Patents of Invention.

During the session my Government tabled the additional protocol to the trade agreement between Canada and France, which provides for the extension of further tariff concessions by each country to the products of the other. You have approved a Convention of Commerce between Canada and Poland, by means of which it is hoped to increase the trade between the two countries on mutually advantageous terms. A Modus Vivendi was also concluded with the Republic of Haiti, and the New Zealand trade agreement has been extended.

*Members of the House of Commons:*

I thank you for the provision you have made for the Public Service.

*Honourable Members of the Senate:*

*Members of the House of Commons:*

You have reason to rejoice in the proud position which Canada enjoys as a member of the British Commonwealth of Nations. The world-wide celebrations commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the accession to the Throne of His Majesty have impressed the whole world with the unity and solidarity of the Empire, the devotion and loyalty of its peoples to the Crown and the extent of its influence for peace and security.