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The establishment of these Boards in Washington and London was also announced on January 26th. The announcement was prefaced by the statement that, in principle, the shipping resources of the two countries would be deemed to be pooled. The Ministry of War Transport would continue to direct the entire movement of shipping under United Kingdom control and the appropriate United States agency (now the War Shipping Administration) would act similarly in respect of shipping under United States control. There is no special reference in the announcement to the interests of the other United Nations.

The Washington Board is composed of Admiral Land, Chief of the War Shipping Administration, and Sir Arthur Salter, Head of the British Merchant Shipping Mission. The London Board is composed of Lord Leathers, Minister of War Transport, and Mr. Averill Harriman.

(e) The Combined Production and Resources

Board. On June 9th there was announced in London and in Washington the creation of this Board and of the Combined Food Board. The Canadian Government was simultaneously informed by telegram from the Dominions Office. The Board is made up of Mr. Donald Nelson, Chairman of the War Production Board, and Mr. Oliver Lyttleton, Minister of Production. Its duties are described as to:

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