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# Rapid Growth Made Census Necessary

This year Canada takes a significant step forward in the development of population and agriculture statistics. On June 1 the Dominion Bureau of Statistics will take the country's first five-year Census on a nationwide scale. Dominion Statistician Herbert Marshall reports that a task force of about 16 thousand census-takers will canvass the country to find out the effect of developments in the last five years on the distribution of the population.

Canada is now growing so rapidly and changing so much that a five-year census is necessary to provide government and industry with accurate figures for intelligent forecasting and planning. In the past the Bureau has taken a national count only once every ten years—the last in June 1951. In other years it has published June 1st population estimates for Canada and the provinces, calculated by adding births and immigration and subtracting deaths and an estimate of emigration. The national estimates are reasonably accurate, although the margin of error increases with each year. The provincial estimates are another matter. Between census dates the movement of people between provinces is difficult, and in the last few years, in particular, these shifts have been pronounced.

The distribution of the people within the country is a matter of paramount importance to government and industry, for development plans and the expenditure of huge sums of money are based upon these figures. Per capita grants, for example, have been the basis of the Dominion-Provincial tax agreements. Then too, some provincial governments provide assistance to municipalities on a per capita basis. One of the most important changes in the last five years has been the rapid build-up of suburban developments, which has meant an expansion of metropolitan areas. This has created heavy demands for services such as roads, schools, waterworks and fire protection.

"This year's Census, however, will be less detailed—and less costly—than the one taken five years ago. It will cover only population and agriculture. It will not delve into employment and earnings, population characteristics such as birthplace and education, housing and household facilities, merchandising and services, nor fisheries. Indeed, most Canadians will be asked to state only their sex, age, marital status and relationship to the head of the household. Besides these, farmers will be asked a limited number of questions concerning agricultural activities.

It has been apparent that complete data on agriculture were needed more frequently than once a decade. The most important of Canada's primary industries, agriculture has a total net value of production exceeding that of forestry, fisheries, trapping, mining and electric power combined. Because agricultural output has such far-reaching implications for the welfare of the Canadian economy, annual and even more frequent statistics in considerable variety have to be available to assist in market analysis, forecasting and production planning, and formulating government policy in relation to such matters as price supports. Many of the most important statistical series are in the nature of annual estimates tied into the preceding census. The census provides benchmarks, which are reduced or increased for various crops and livestock counts each year according to the indications shown by annual sample surveys.

With an interval of ten years between censuses, the estimates tend to get out of line. The series of estimates will be more accurate and more useful when they are based on a census every five years, instead of letting differences accumulate for ten years. This is recognized in a number of countries which now take an agriculture census at least every five years and, in some instances, annually. In addition, a five-year census provides information by small geographical areas twice as frequently as a decennial census. It is not practical to secure data by small areas by sample surveys.

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be a "First" for the nation. It will not be new for the Prairie Provinces. Five-year censuses have been taken there for more than half a century and were started to keep track of the many changes wrought by the rapid settlement and development of the area. The value of the five-year census has been borne out in the West, particularly in times of rapid growth and distribution change such as many other provinces are now experiencing.

The Bureau's recommendation for a 1956 Census was made in response to repeated requests from provincial and municipal governments and from non-government organizations with varied interests, all of whom

need accurate figures to assist in keeping their operations on a sound footing. An important consideration to all users is timeliness of the information. Because of the nature of the coming national stocktaking and the introduction of further improvements in collection and compilation methods, the Bureau expects to have many population counts ready for publication before Christmas, complete population counts early next year, and all of the detailed agriculture compilations by March next year.

The Bureau's permanent Census staff has spent more than a year in the detailed planning of the field work, and of the compilation and publication program.



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## UNIONVILLE

His many friends will be pleased to hear that Mr. H. H. Powers who has undergone an operation in Kingston, Ont., is improving favourably.

Mother & Daughter Banquet  
The C.G.I.T. girls entertained their mothers and 3 guests Miss M. Warne, Mrs. W. Butt and Mrs. Strickland at their annual Banquet dinner on Monday night, in Central United Church Basement. This group is under the leadership of Mrs. E. Thompson and Mrs. Dowse.

The Executive of the B. & P. Club met last Monday night at the home of Mrs. Lyn Hughes, Briar Wood Farms, and was pleased to find one of their former members, Mrs. Caroline (G-Y-P) Bishop present. Caroline came to say good-bye before leaving the next day for a few weeks stay at Georgian Bay, near Owen Sound, after which she is leaving for St. Petersburg, Florida, where she expects to make her future home.

The Canadian National Station was a scene of activity Thursday, when around 100 wool blankets made from used wools sent in a few weeks ago, arrived. Mrs. W. Snowball and Mrs. A. C. Kennedy were in charge of the distributing of blankets for the W.A.

Mrs. Fred Reesor and daughter, Mrs. M. Dowson and daughter-in-law Mrs. C. Reesor of Port Perry visited on Thursday with Mrs. H. H. Powers.

The Women's Association of Central United Church will meet in the church basement Thursday at 2:30 p.m. The Devotional will be in charge of Mrs. Goddard and Mrs. A. E. Milner. W.M.S.  
The Women's Missionary Society met in the Central United Church basement last Thursday. The devotional was conducted by Miss M. Coulson. The topic, "Changing Patterns," was taken by Mrs. Wm. Thomas. An announcement was made of the W.M.S. Rural gathering to be held in the St. Andrews United Church in Markham on Wednesday, June 13th, commencing at 10 a.m.

An invitation was accepted to attend the meeting of the Fidelis group on Tuesday night to hear Mrs. Huston of Victoria Square speak on "Indian Work." There were 20 members present. Lunch was served by the hostesses, Mrs. A. E. Milner and Mrs. A. McInnis.

Mrs. L. Rainey visited for a few days on the weekend with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. David MacKinlay and family at Ajax.

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