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FORECAST -

* Harder Work
* Business as good as '67
* Slowing inflation
* Higher taxes
* More cautious wage demands
* Increased productivity
* Less employment in certain trades
* Decreased government spending
* 5% real growth in Ontario
* Excellent shipping season
* Improved company profits
* Expansion of area mining
* Increased housing starts
* Steady or receding interest rates
* Good tourist season

The latter months of 1967 and the early part of 1968 could be a digestive period after many months of fully extended operation.

Barring major upheavals, cessation of war or increased war activity, 1968 should be a realistic and solid business year.

"LEARN FROM THE PAST, LIVE IN THE PRESENT AND WORK FOR THE FUTURE".

DECLARATION

The Officers, Members and Officals of The Canadian Lakehead Industrial Commission renew their pledge in 1968 to honour the objects of the Corporation detailed in the Charter issued 7 May 1965 as follows:

"(a) To promote industrial development in the said Cities of Fort William and Port Arthur and district;

(b) To endeavour to secure new industries for and to aid industries in the said cities and district;

(c) To publicize the advantages for businesses and industry offered by the said cities and district; and

(d) To receive, acquire and hold gifts, donations, devises and bequests".

Ontario Hydro rates increase across the province by 6% January 1, 1968.

However, local Hydro Utilities plan no immediate increase in rates, which places our industry in a better competitive position.

WHAT 100 ADDITIONAL MANUFACTURING WORKERS MEAN TO A COMMUNITY

123 more school children	113 more house-holds	$356,000 more retail sales per year	479 more people	4 more retail establishments	136 more motor vehicle registra-tions	49 more workers employed other than manufacturing

(Data supplied by - Research & Development, Canadian National Railways)

EQUALIZATION OF OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMME

Enclosed with this bulletin is a brochure outlining the terms of the Ontario Government interest free forgiven loan plan announced in September 1967.

The Commission invites enquiries by representatives of secondary industry wishing to participate in the programme.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Frank Wilson, Chief, Manufacturing Arrangements, Trade & Industry Branch, Ontario Department of Economics and Development will be the guest speaker at a meeting of the Purchasing Agents Association Tuesday, January 16, 1968.

Officials of the Purchasing Agents Association invite all interested industrialists and businessmen to attend and hear Mr. Wilson explain how manufacturing arrangements in local plants can materially expand production.

The dinner meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.. Tuesday, January 16, 1968 at the Royal Edward Hotel.

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P O P U L A T I O N

BY MARITAL STATUS	PORT ARTHUR	FORT WILLIAM
Single residents		
under 15 years	14,728	15,020
15 years and over	9,120	8,478
Total	23,848	23,498
Married	21,777	22,098
Widowed	2,546	2,455
Divorced	169	157
Total Population 1966	48,340	48,208
1961	45,276	45,212
Age Groups		
0-4	4,672	4,861
5-9	5,131	5,274
10-14	4,925	4,885
15-19	4,410	4,498
20-24	3,187	3,156
25-34	5,396	5,695
35-44	6,567	6,419
45-54	5,717	5,583
55-64	4,204	3,795
65-69	1,540	1,392
70 over	2,591	2,650

*DBS advance 1966 census report