

those who worked so hard and long at Havana to ensure that the trade practices and economy of New Zealand were fully understood by the delegations from other nations.

Mr G. H. Datson, on the Committee dealing with Employment and Economic Activity and Development and Reconstruction, gave excellent service. Mr Alan Low, of the staff of the Reserve Bank of New Zealand, who was carrying out special studies on the Federal Banking System of the United States, came from New York and was present during the whole period of the Conference, rendering invaluable service on the special Committees set up to deal with International Investments, Balance of Payments, and subjects related to currency problems. Mr J. E. Stokes gave good service at the Committee on Restrictive Business Practices, and Mr E. J. Fawcett, the Director-General of Agriculture, who was returning from his work at the Food and Agriculture Conference, provided an experience and knowledge for the work on Inter-governmental Commodity Agreements and Subsidies which brought much credit to the delegation. After the return of Mr Stokes to New Zealand, Mr Fawcett was also responsible for the work on the Committee on Restrictive Business Practices. Mr H. Thomas, of the Customs Department, with his knowledge of procedure and import and export trade, rendered excellent service on the Committees which examined and completed the draft sections on General Commercial Policy and Special Provisions. Mr G. J. Schmitt, of the Treasury, attended all the meetings on the Organization of the I.T.O. and made several valuable suggestions which were finally included in the draft of Chapters 7, 8, and 9. Mr P. A. Barnes attended all meetings as required, particularly those associated with the chapters dealing with Organization. In addition to his duties as personal secretary to the Leader of the delegation, Mr Barnes carried out the work of co-ordinating the distribution of documents, and his load of work was very heavy during the full period of the Conference.

The delegation was fortunate in having Mr J. P. D. Johnsen, the Assistant Comptroller of Customs, as Deputy-Leader. His long experience in negotiating trade agreements, his work at the London and Geneva Conferences, made him the key centre of the delegation's activities.