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MONTHLY REPORT

COPPER AND NICKEL PRODUCTION IN CANADA - JUNE, 1937.

COPPER - Canada's copper production continued at a high level in June and amounted to 42,549,292 pounds, according to a statement just issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at Ottawa. In May, 41,561,734 pounds were produced while in June, a year ago, 31,421,070 pounds were produced. During the first half of the current year Canada produced 243,604,966 pounds of copper as compared with 205,637,311 pounds in the corresponding period of 1936.

Quotations for electrolytic copper, on the London market in June, averaged 13.541 cents per pound in Canadian funds; valued at this price the month's output in Canada was worth \$5,761,600. The May average price was 14.008 cents per pound and the value of the output during the period was \$5,821,975.

Refined copper production of the world in June totalled 199,999 tons or 2 per cent below the May output. The United States produced 86,016 tons as against 95,265 tons in May. On the other hand, in countries other than the United States, production increased 5,108 tons to 113,983 tons. Stocks held in the United States on June 30th amounted to 111,020 tons, an increase of 2,435 tons during the month but a decrease of 117,797 tons from the quantity on hand on June 30, 1936. In other countries stocks increased 7,882 tons during the month to 190,745 tons.

Electrolytic copper imports into Great Britain during the first six months of 1937 totalled 90,161 tons, made up of 43,220 tons from Canada, 10,568 tons from other British countries, 22,613 tons from the United States and 8,760 tons from other foreign countries. Imports of other unwrought copper into Great Britain during the period aggregated 107,353 tons and included 54,406 tons from Chile and 39,492 tons from Northern Phodesia.

The United States Senate on June 24 passed, without amendment, according to the Metal and Mineral Markets, the House bill extending for two years the so-called nuisance taxes. The measure contains the 4 cents import tax on copper.

PRODUCTION OF	F COPPER IN CA	NADA	
Months	1237(a)	1936(a)	1935
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds
January February March April May June July August September October November December TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	37,282,247 38,425,569 41,796,786 41,989,288 41,561,784 42,549,292	34,289,634 32,911,842 36,478,815 35,491,618 35,044,332 31,421,070 28,579,506 35,388,972 36,155,266 34,652,376 37,031,762 43,631,366 421,076,559	33,472,667 35,465,366 37,832,255 38,843,907 35,779,084 35,623,079 30,966,804 32,593,815 33,927,147 35,421,463 34,524,933 36,541,180
TOTAL - SIX MONTHS ending JUNE	243,604,966	205,637,311	215,022,358

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	EXPORTS OF	COPPER	FROM	CANADA	DURING	MAY	AND	JUNE.	1937.
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Copper in ore, matte, regulus, etc	7,816,100	859,512	5,078,900	558,667
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Copper in ingots, bars, cakes, slabs	07 000 700	7 400 704	00 001 100	7 771 000
and billets	23,220,300	3,406,374	26,691,100	3,731,207
and tubing	3,964,000	662,941	4,950,800	778,334
IMPORTS OF COPPER INTO GREA	T BRITAIN DU	HING MAY AN	D JUNE, 1937.	
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	Pounds	£	Pounds	£
Unwrought copper, including rough copper of 94% copper content or over -				
ELECTROLYTIC -				
From - Northern Rhodesia	1,993,600	68,291	5,239,360	152,382
Canada	18,173,120	516,140	13,148,800	381,367
Other British countries	336,000	6,687	418,880	9,863
United States	6,946,240	211,154	14,734,720	428,555
Chile	3,377,920	109,643	2,244,480	72,081
Other Foreign countries	952,000	30,958	2,470,720	81,213
TOTAL	31,778,880	942,873	38,256,960	1,125,461
OTHER -				
From - Union of South Africa	1,422,400	41,443	1,942,080	54,150
Northern Rhodesia	17,521,280	460,422	24,127,040	621,609
Southern Rhodesia	2,918,720	80,120	7,017,920	182,546
Other British countries	107,520	2,970	168,000	4,334
Chile	22,467,200	608,851	18,592,000	475,340
Other Foreign countries	168,000	5,728	840,000	21,326
TOTAL	44,605,120	1,199,534	52,687,040	1,359,305
Plates, sheets, discs, circles and				
strip	372,400	13,019	382,592	13,394
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Rods and sections, angles and shapes and vire not in coils -				
From - Canada	2,939,440	96,685	3,268,832	103,821
Foreign countries	9,408	415	24,528	1,099
TOTAL	2,948,848	97,100	3,293,360	104,920
Wire in coils (including uninsulated			2.00	
electric wire)	216,832	7,516	156,912	5,509
all other manufactures of copper not	470 010	10.000	F70 700	10 000
elsewhere specified	478,016	19,090	530,320	19,067

NICKEL - Nickel production in Canada during June amounted to 20,959,736 pounds; in May, 18,462,389 pounds ere produced while in June, 1936, the output was 14,070,491 pounds. An advance of 34.6 per cent was recorded in Canada's nickel output during the first six months of 1937 when 111,386,337 pounds were produced as compared with 82,775,159 pounds, a year ago.

The International Nickel Company's latest quarterly report showed that this company's net earnings during the second quarter of 1937 were more than 50 per cent above the total for April, May and June, 1936. This report also indicated that total profits during the first six months of the current year showed a similar percentage increase.

The Falconbridge Nickel Mines report for the second quarter of 1937 showed an improvement in grade of ore treated as indicated by the higher ratio of nickel produced in matte to tonnage treated. Developments in the quarter have been quite interesting with results of drifting on the 1,750 foot level particularly satisfactory. Expansion of the milling and sintering plants has been held up by delays in delivery of machinery but the program is continuing and it is expected the new additions will be in action late this fall. At the Kristiansand, Norway, refinery production has been maintained at capacity rate.

PRODUCTION OF NICKEL IN CANADA					
Months	1937(a)	1936(a)	1935		
	Pounds	Pounds	Pounds		
January February March April May June July August September October November December TOTAL - CALENDAR YEAR	16,173,486 17,330,201 18,193,641 20,266,884 18,462,389 20,959,736	14,052,702 16,151,374 15,666,457 11,018,947 11,815,188 14,070,491 12,569,576 12,352,757 15,871,633 12,741,986 15,055,755 18,011,386	9,419,574 8,818,273 10,651,409 11,872,816 11,365,544 11,701,703 10,220,876 10,903,373 12,936,381 13,399,099 12,181,930 15,044,762		
TOTAL - SIX MONTHS ending JUNE	111,386,337	82,775,159	63,829,319		

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