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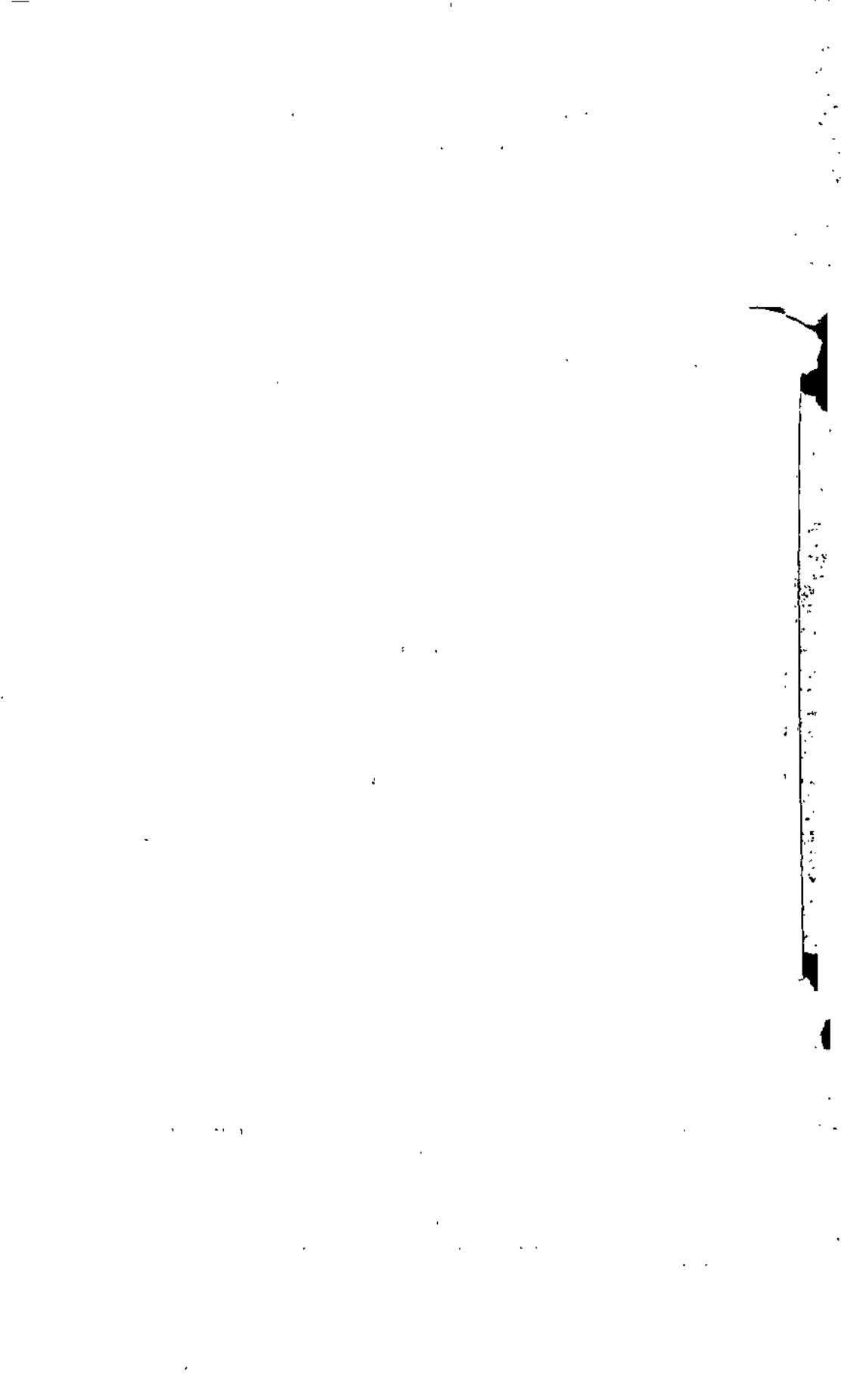
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PREFACE.

This Labour Report, which is the forty-eighth of the series issued by this Bureau, contains detailed statistics for the year 1960, in addition to providing comparisons for previous years.

The Report follows in the main the lines of its immediate predecessors in scope and arrangement. The subject-matter has been divided into five chapters, namely, Retail Prices and Price Indexes; Wholesale Prices and Price Indexes; Wages and Hours; Employment and Unemployment (including Industrial Disputes); and Labour Organizations. The index at the end of the volume will considerably facilitate reference.

New material in this issue includes the results of a Survey of Wage Rates and Earnings conducted in September, 1960, and brief particulars of the provisions of annual and long-service leave legislation. A number of new tables have been added to the Appendix and other tables have been expanded.

Secretaries of trade unions and of employers' associations, officials of Commonwealth and State Departments, private employers, retail traders, house agents and others have readily supplied much information specially for the purposes of this Report, and my thanks are tendered to all who have thus assisted.

Grateful acknowledgment is also made of the continued assistance given by the Statisticians in the several States, especially in the collection of retail prices.

I also desire to express my appreciation of the work done in the preparation of this Report by Mr. T. R. Jones, B.Com., the Supervisor of the Prices Branch, Mr. G. I. Neville, B.Com., the Supervisor of the Employment and Labour Branch, and the staff under their control.

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