

of western lambs, and also various competitions such as those for bacon litters. Junior calf clubs, boys' and girls' sheep clubs, and joint swine clubs are part of the regular Field Services.

The Breeding Club Policy provides Dominion assistance to horse breeding, through grants to organized clubs making use of sound, pure-bred stallions. Dominion assistance in the five eastern provinces provides premiums to owners of pure-bred stallions which pass the necessary inspection. Breeding stations make available the services of high-class stallions of thoroughbred and hunter types producing the type of horse in demand for remounts at home and abroad.

*The Market Services* administer the Live Stock and Live Stock Products Act in respect to public stockyards, and function to maintain fair trading practices and maximum trading facilities.

The Markets Intelligence Service represents the official source of information on supply and demand of commercial live stock and is a branch of the Market Services.

The Hog Grading Service secures quality payment for hogs under official grades. This has improved the type and quality of Canadian pigs and bacon, and has greatly aided in the expansion of our trade in pig products with the United Kingdom.

*The Poultry Services* stimulate the industry through the system of egg inspection, the application of standards of quality to the export, import, and domestic trade, the payment for eggs on grade, and the return of premiums to the producer. These Services include Dressed Poultry Inspection, Record of Performance for Poultry, the Hatchery Approval Scheme, Standardized Hatchery Practices, Cockerel Distribution, mainly through junior clubs, Poultry Club Policies, and the Poultry Markets Intelligence Service.

The Branch seeks to stimulate the industry through securing payment on a quality basis for all live-stock production. *The Fairs and Exhibitions Policy* is designed to secure the maximum utilization of grants made to fairs and exhibitions, and to bring about the unification and standardization of this educational feature.

**The Seed Branch.**—The Seed Branch of the Dominion Department of Agriculture includes four main Divisions, *viz.*, Seed, Feed, Markets and Fertilizer, and Laboratory. For the purpose of enforcing the several Acts administered by the Seed Branch for controlling the sale and distribution of certain agricultural commodities, Canada is divided into seven Inspection Districts, each presided over by a District Inspector and supported by a service laboratory in charge of a supervising analyst. At Ottawa, policies to be pursued throughout the districts are reached by agreement after discussion by the Commissioner, Chiefs of Divisions, and District Inspectors. Recommendations for new or amended legislation, consisting of amendments to the several Acts or regulations thereunder, are prepared by the Chief of each Division under which the particular line of work comes. Briefly, the main lines of work of the Divisions and the Acts administered and enforced by the Branch are as follows:—

*The Seed Division.*—This Division deals primarily with the operation of the Seeds Act, an Act respecting the testing, grading, inspection and sale of seed for seeding purposes in Canada, and the control of the quality and purity of variety of imported agricultural and garden vegetable seeds. Through this Division the Branch co-operates with the provinces in such undertakings as special seed distribution, seed relief, etc., the conducting of standing crop and cleaned seed competitions, local seed fairs and provincial seed exhibitions, and the installation of