

Saskatchewan.—The Department of Agriculture includes Branches dealing with: the agricultural representative service, live stock, field crops, dairy, statistics, co-operation and markets, and a bee division. The Live Stock Branch provides the organization for examining and licensing stallions, purchasing and selling cattle, sheep and hogs to farmers on cash and credit terms, and registering brands for live stock. Pure-bred sire areas are being created under statutory authority in order to eliminate undesirable sires and improve the quality of live stock. The poultry industry is promoted through a flock-culling service, a turkey-grading service and an approved hatchery policy. The Field Crops Branch aids in promoting good cropping and tillage practices and providing control measures for suppressing insect and weed pests. The Dairy Branch directs the grading of cream at all the creameries, promotes herd improvement through cow-testing and administers the provisions of the Dairy Products Act with respect to licensing creamery operators, cream testers, and the bonding of creameries. The Statistics Branch, in co-operation with the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, maintains a crop-reporting service and gathers annual data respecting crops and live stock of the province. The Co-operation and Markets Branch grants charters to co-operative associations under the Co-operative Associations Act, promotes co-operative stock shipping and poultry marketing and publishes a fortnightly news letter dealing with co-operation and marketing. Under the Agricultural Representative Service, as established, the province is divided into districts. Qualified men are engaged in field service, carrying on promotional and educational work, who put into action the various policies of the Department. The Apiary Division is organized to assist beekeeping, which is developing substantially. Agricultural societies are organized by the Department and grants are paid through the Department, while direction of the activities of societies is centred in the College of Agriculture of the University of Saskatchewan.

Alberta.—This Department conducts the following main Services: agricultural schools, field crops, dairy, live stock, veterinary, poultry, apiaries, fairs and institutes, branding, game regulation, women's bureau service, crop reports and statistics, marketing services, district agriculturists and a Branch looking after the fur farm leases of the province.

The attention of the Department has recently been given to the development of apiculture and a provincial apiarist is engaged in this work. Increased encouragement is being given to the live-stock industry through the "Pure-bred Bulls Purchase Act", and in giving supervision to the feeding plan for beef cattle now being carried out by the "Red Label" Beef Association. Increasing efforts are being made to cope with the weed menace and encouragement is being given to the sale and production of registered seed. The poultry industry is also receiving increased attention. Money is expended each summer in connection with soil survey work, and special efforts are being directed to the development of forage crops and grasses and the improvement of pasturage.

British Columbia.—The Department of Agriculture consists of three main Divisions dealing with general administration, animal industry and plant industry.

Under General Administration are the Branches dealing with collection of statistics, assistance to fall fairs, distribution of publications, soil survey, apiary inspection, supervision of farmers' and women's institutes, and policies of a general agricultural nature, together with the Markets Branch. The Animal Industry Division includes: dairy, poultry, veterinary and general live stock branches, as well as brands inspection and junior club work. The Plant Industry Division includes: plant disease and pest control, pathology and entomology, field crops and horticultural activities.