

at \$78,483,629 for the year under review. A membership of 170,081 grain growers contributed to this business through 2,137 co-operative marketing agencies. Mainly through deductions from the selling price of their grain, these members have invested a sum of \$37,114,643 in their business and in addition have paid up \$3,350,952 in share capital. Combined assets total \$88,298,067.

One hundred and fifteen dairy co-operatives with 122 depots in Canada reported a membership of 35,034 with assets valued at \$4,179,513. Paid-up share capital amounts to \$1,828,967 with reserves of \$723,675. Sales of dairy products totalled \$8,479,466 for the year under review.

The records for 53 live-stock shipping and marketing associations show a combined membership of 35,314. Financing of these associations is mainly by membership fees and commissions. Assets are comparatively low with value of plant and equipment amounting to \$616,292. This accommodated a business of \$7,749,583. The live-stock co-operatives undertake very little processing of their product. Their main activity is the assembling of live stock in cars at producing points for shipment to central markets.

A large part of the fruit and vegetable crop is marketed through 104 co-operative agencies with a combined membership of 9,307 fruit growers. Assets for all companies total \$3,860,115; reserves and surplus amount to \$1,009,767. Sales of fruits and vegetables during the year amounted to \$6,382,915 which, together with supplies and other revenue, gave a total business of \$7,809,574.

Poultry producers have organized in each of the provinces to sell their products co-operatively. There were 24 associations with 247 places of business which reported a membership of 32,851 members. Assets amount to \$444,139 with reserves of \$196,792. Sales for the year amounted to \$2,068,402.

Practically all the wool marketed co-operatively in Canada is handled by the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers, Ltd. The company operates in each province through the medium of 18 sheep-breeders' and wool-growers' associations. The co-operative grades, stores and markets the wool received from its 7,100 patrons. In addition, it carries on advertising and educational work and handles materials and supplies for its members. The quantity of wool handled by the co-operative during the year amounted to 5,076,100 pounds.

In Ontario and Quebec, the honey producers are organized co-operatively with a combined membership of approximately 1,800 members. Two tobacco co-operatives in Ontario, and three in the province of Quebec report a total membership of 842 and sales of approximately one and a quarter million dollars for 1934. The *Producteurs de Sucre et Sirop d'Erable de Quebec*, with a membership of 1,982, is organized on a co-operative basis. During the year under review the sales value of maple products marketed by this association amounted to \$293,322.

Available statistics show 333 associations are organized for the purpose of purchasing farm supplies and merchandise on the co-operative plan. These consumer associations, of which nearly one-half are established in the province of Saskatchewan, have a combined membership of 27,328. The sales value of supplies handled during the year, by associations organized exclusively for the handling of supplies, amounted to \$5,198,825. In five of the provinces co-operative wholesale buying societies purchase goods for their shareholder associations.

For further information see Table. 28.