

the name of the Eastern Irrigation District. By agreement with the Canadian Pacific Railway, the Taber, Magrath and Raymond irrigation districts procure their water supply from the main canal of the Lethbridge section, a further 43,604 acres being served by the canals of these districts.

The total irrigable area served by the Canada Land and Irrigation Company's project is 130,000 acres, while the New West Irrigation District, by agreement with the Canada Land and Irrigation Company, received a water supply for a further irrigable area of 4,564 acres.

In addition to the irrigated tracts enumerated in the foregoing table, there are approximately 586 privately owned projects in Alberta, with a possible irrigable area of 68,137 acres.

*British Columbia.**—The surface waters of British Columbia are vested in the Crown in the right of the Province and are administered by the Water Rights Branch of the Department of Lands under the Water Act, the Drainage Dyking and Development Act and the Ditches and Watercourses Act.

The administration of the Acts is vested in the Comptroller of Water Rights. Under the provisions of the Water Act, 1909, the Board of Investigation or, as it was later known, the Water Board, was authorized to re-define the water records issued since 1858. Additional authority was given to the Board in administrative matters in later years, but owing to the enactment of the Provincial Public Utilities Act and to the fact that the re-definition of the more than 8,000 water records issued before the year 1909 had been completed, the Water Board ceased to exist with the enactment of the Water Act, 1939. It is interesting to note that of the orders of the Board re-defining the old records, only six were the subject of appeals to the Court of Appeal.

There are several forms of organization operating irrigation systems in British Columbia, and statistics of the larger irrigation projects in operation are given at p. 236 of the 1940 Year Book.

Subsection 10.—International Agricultural Statistics

Owing to the unavailability of the compilations of the International Institute of Agriculture at Rome, the statistics of world production of cereals and potatoes, trade in wheat and flour and numbers of live stock in principal countries, which formerly appeared under this heading, cannot be brought up to date.

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