

1942 included generating plants and distributing systems at Meadow Lake, Kelvington and Rose Valley. A transmission line and distributing systems were constructed in 1944 to provide service to Muenster, St. Gregor, Englefeld and Watson.

Of the seventeen generating plants owned and operated by the Commission in 1944, those at Saskatoon and North Battleford were steam plants, and the remainder were equipped with compression-ignition engines. The total installed capacity of the generating plants was 34,200 h.p. There are no hydro-electric plants in the Commission's system, the primary power being: steam-reciprocating engines 800 h.p.; steam turbines 38,700 h.p.; and internal combustion engines 9,680 h.p. The Commission purchases several blocks of power from, and contracts for the interchange of power with private interests.

The total revenue for the calendar year 1943 was \$1,745,600, and for 1944 \$1,877,572. Provision has been made for depreciation and replacement reserve to the amount of \$3,748,753. The total plant investment as at Dec. 31, 1944, was approximately \$8,940,000.

Regina and Weyburn, as well as several towns and villages, own and operate municipal plants and distributing systems. There are four private corporations owning and operating electrical generating plants, transmission lines and distributing systems in the Province. Control and regulatory powers regarding franchises for the supply of electric energy and the rates to be charged therefor are conferred upon the Local Government Board by Part III of the Public Utilities Companies Act (R.S.S. 1940, c. 118). The Power Commission is charged with the administration of the Electrical Inspection and Licensing Act (R.S.S. 1940, c. 261), and is given certain control and regulatory powers regarding electrical public utilities under Part III of the Power Commission Act.

#### 16.—Growth of the Saskatchewan Power Commission, 1929-44

| Year | Municipalities Served |          | Customers Served |          | Total Power Generated | Total Power Purchased | Capital   |
|------|-----------------------|----------|------------------|----------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
|      | In Bulk               | Directly | In Bulk          | Directly |                       |                       |           |
|      | No.                   | No.      | No.              | No.      | kwh.                  | kwh.                  | \$        |
| 1929 | Nil                   | 2        | Nil              | 1        | 1                     | Nil                   | 1,902,005 |
| 1930 | 1                     | 106      | 2                | 3        | 3                     | 3                     | 6,290,431 |
| 1931 | 3                     | 117      | 2                | 8,324    | 46,040,000            | 4,414,420             | 7,287,827 |
| 1932 | 3                     | 117      | 16,124           | 7,875    | 46,426,171            | 1,803,503             | 7,345,916 |
| 1933 | 3                     | 123      | 16,124           | 7,574    | 44,401,494            | 1,674,444             | 7,411,986 |
| 1934 | 3                     | 123      | 15,833           | 7,754    | 44,863,306            | 1,817,528             | 7,428,330 |
| 1935 | 4                     | 123      | 13,644           | 8,219    | 46,889,172            | 1,986,105             | 7,504,726 |
| 1936 | 4                     | 123      | 13,747           | 8,508    | 49,757,756            | 1,967,025             | 7,535,783 |
| 1937 | 4                     | 126      | 13,513           | 8,620    | 49,165,813            | 1,918,473             | 7,609,910 |
| 1938 | 4                     | 129      | 13,658           | 9,183    | 49,435,169            | 1,954,995             | 7,765,571 |
| 1939 | 4                     | 129      | 13,606           | 9,467    | 55,055,958            | 2,085,702             | 8,174,141 |
| 1940 | 4                     | 134      | 14,416           | 10,268   | 56,717,006            | 2,423,188             | 8,271,730 |
| 1941 | 4                     | 136      | 14,416           | 10,542   | 65,225,001            | 2,019,107             | 8,511,974 |
| 1942 | 4                     | 139      | 15,413           | 11,450   | 70,084,762            | 2,100,225             | 8,617,455 |
| 1943 | 4                     | 139      | 16,677           | 12,197   | 79,565,860            | 1,921,440             | 8,748,856 |
| 1944 | 4                     | 143      | 15,982           | 12,989   | 85,118,625            | 1,808,586             | 8,939,920 |

<sup>1</sup> The Commission's operations in the two towns served commenced in November, 1929.

<sup>2</sup> Information not available.

<sup>3</sup> The Commission's operations in most of the municipalities served did not commence until late in the year.