

- (2) Child Care and Protection, which has to do principally with the supervision of Children's Aid Societies covering practically the whole of the Province.
- (3) Legal Supervision, which is responsible for the work in connection with unmarried mothers and adoptions.

*Mothers' Allowances.*—Manitoba was the first province to enact this type of legislation, the Act having come into force on Mar. 10, 1916. As stated above, the Act is administered by the Child Welfare Subdivision and statistics of operations are given at p. 817.

*Charitable Institutions.*—Grants to these institutions come under the control of the Welfare Supervision Board.

*Social Assistance.*—This is concerned with the provision of assistance to unemployable persons in unorganized territory and the maintenance of aged and incurable persons in and outside institutions.

*Old Age Pensions and Pensions for the Blind.*—As at May 1, 1945, the Welfare Division has assumed responsibility for administration of Old Age Pensions and Pensions for the Blind. For statistics see pp. 810-812.

*Workmen's Compensation.*—The Workmen's Compensation Act came into force on Jan. 1, 1917. See also pp. 784-788.

**Saskatchewan.**—Welfare activities of the Province come under the jurisdiction of the Department of Social Welfare which has three main branches:—

- (1) Child Welfare Branch.
- (2) Old Age Pensions Branch.
- (3) Social Aid Branch.

*Child Welfare.*—This work is carried out under the direction of the Child Welfare Branch and through Children's Aid Societies of the four larger cities, three of which maintain shelters. The Child Welfare Branch also provides for the payment of Mother's Allowances.

*Old Age Pensions and Pensions for the Blind.*—This Branch provides for the payment of Old Age and Blind Pensions. For statistics see pp. 810-812.

*Social Aid.*—Indigent persons are provided for by the Social Aid Branch in co-operation with the various municipal units in the Province. Persons who fall within this category of assistance are not eligible for assistance under the Mothers' Allowance or Old Age Pension schemes. A field staff of 29 social welfare officers and 14 child welfare workers are attached to this Branch.

*Other Activities.*—The Department administers an Industrial School for Boys which was formerly the joint concern of the Bureau of Child Protection, the Department of Education and the Department of Public Works. Delinquent girls are sent to Homes in Manitoba and Alberta as occasion requires.

The Department also operates a Home for the Infirm and has supervisory powers over all privately operated homes for the aged and infirm in the Province. A farm project is operated for the rehabilitation of the Métis population; plans are being made to enlarge the scope of operations.

*Mothers' Allowances.*—Mothers' Allowances are paid in Saskatchewan under authority of the Child Welfare Act originally enacted in 1917 as the Mothers' Pensions Act. For statistics, see p. 818.

*Workmen's Compensation.*—The Workmen's Compensation Act came into force July 1, 1930. See pp. 784-788.