

**8.—Prospective Hospital Accommodation Planned by the Department of Veterans Affairs, as at June 1, 1946—concluded**

| District                            | Project   | Bed Capacity | Estimated Date of Completion |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------------|------------------------------|
| Saskatoon.....                      | Psychiatric (University of Saskatchewan).....               | 100          | Under review                 |
|                                     | Active Treatment Pavilion (University of Saskatchewan)..... | 150          | " "                          |
|                                     | Dundurn Military Hospital.....                              | 150          | June 1946                    |
| Kingston.....                       | Veterans Pavilion, Kingston General.....                    | 80           | Aug. 1946                    |
|                                     | Veterans Pavilion, Hotel Dieu, Kingston.....                | 50           | Under review                 |
| Charlottetown....                   | Veterans Pavilion, P.E.I. Hospital, Charlottetown....       | 50           | " "                          |
|                                     | Veterans Pavilion, Charlottetown General Hospital....       | 50           | " "                          |
| <b>Total.....</b>                   |   | <b>8,715</b> |                              |
| Summary of Increased Accommodation— |   |              |                              |
| Within 6 months.....                |   | 4,685        |                              |
| Within 12 months.....               |   | 900          |                              |
| Within 18 months.....               |   | 1,250        |                              |
| Under review only.....              |   | 1,430        |                              |
| On loan.....                        |   | 450          |                              |

**Subsection 3.—Statistics of Mental Hospitals**

At Dec. 31, 1944, there were 47,279 patients in mental institutions in Canada and 4,497 on parole or otherwise absent, making a total of 51,776, whereas the normal bed capacity was only 42,500, showing a seriously overcrowded situation if the patient population on Jan. 1, 1944, and the admissions and separations during the year are considered. This overcrowded condition was specially marked in British Columbia, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Ontario and Quebec. Of the 47,279 resident patients in 1944, 35,869 were insane, 10,392 were mentally deficient, 729 were epileptic and 289 mental cases were otherwise classified.

The number of resident patients in mental institutions per 100,000 population on Dec. 31, 1944, was 394.8, as compared with 394.8 on the same date of 1943, 394.2 in 1942, 392.5 in 1941, 388.0 in 1940, 352.8 in 1935 and 305.4 on June 1, 1931.

Data are not available to indicate to what extent the increasing trend of patients per 100,000 population is due to more complete diagnosis and care than formerly, or to what extent there is an actual increase in the proportion of the population requiring treatment for mental diseases.

**9.—Capacity, Staff, Movement of Population, and Finances of Mental Institutions in Canada, by Provinces, 1944**

| Item                                     | Prince Edward Island | Nova Scotia | New Brunswick | Quebec       | Ontario      |
|--|----------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| Institutions reporting.....No.           | 1                    | 17          | 1             | 9            | 16           |
| Normal capacities.....                   | 275                  | 2,546       | 1,150         | 13,150       | 14,497       |
| <b>Staff—</b>                            |                      |             |               |              |              |
| Doctors, full-time.....No.               | 1                    | 3           | 4             | 45           | 65           |
| Doctors, part-time....."                 | 2                    | 19          | 1             | 12           | 18           |
| Graduate nurses....."                    | Nil                  | 23          | 18            | 186          | 546          |
| Other nurses....."                       | 20                   | 52          | Nil           | 258          | 210          |
| <b>Totals, Staff<sup>1</sup>.....No.</b> | <b>63</b>            | <b>377</b>  | <b>161</b>    | <b>2,295</b> | <b>3,267</b> |

<sup>1</sup> Includes other personnel.