

**17.—Growth of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission, Years Ended Oct. 31, 1931-46**

Year	Municipalities Served	Customers Served	Total Power Distributed	Capital of Commission and Assets of Municipal Utilities
	No.	No.	h.p.	\$
1931.....	721	600,297	1,107,227	373,010,000
1932.....	747	611,955	1,108,037	382,558,000
1933.....	757	621,418	1,366,735	394,661,000
1934.....	760	624,801	1,451,699	398,225,000
1935.....	766	636,134	1,625,733	408,001,000
1936.....	782	649,517	1,509,667	413,710,000
1937.....	795	667,863	1,648,467	424,422,000
1938.....	821	694,400	1,831,216	436,822,000
1939.....	858	720,372	1,963,471	446,123,000
1940.....	886	748,232	1,954,069	449,038,000
1941.....	900	771,681	2,312,219	467,235,000
1942.....	902	785,564	2,265,796	483,333,000
1943.....	903	797,258	2,330,806	487,023,000
1944.....	904	818,085	2,416,157	492,831,000
1945.....	922	869,712	2,599,873	521,644,000
1946.....	924	910,563	2,595,135	545,545,000

**18.—Distribution of Power to Systems of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission, Years Ended Oct. 31, 1943-46**

System and District	1943	1944	1945	1946
	h.p.	h.p.	h.p.	h.p.
Niagara System.....	1,738,606	2,043,646	2,177,763	2,156,599
Georgian Bay System.....	48,189			
Eastern Ontario System.....	203,944			
Thunder Bay System.....	124,638	127,212	136,863	151,072
Manitoulin District.....	491			
Northern Ontario Properties—		245,299	285,247	287,464
Nipissing District.....	6,126			
Sudbury District.....	19,670			
Abitibi District.....	180,563			
Patricia District.....	8,579			
St. Joseph District.....	—			
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>2,330,806</b>	<b>2,416,157</b>	<b>2,599,873</b>	<b>2,595,135</b>

*Statistics of Urban Municipal Electrical Utilities of Ontario Served by the Commission.*—Statistics of the assets and liabilities of the electrical departments of urban municipalities served by the Hydro-Electric Power Commission show, for 1946, total assets of \$222,034,483 as compared with liabilities of \$13,736,601. Of the difference \$120,008,908 was allotted as reserves. In computing the percentage of net debt to total assets, the equity in the provincial system is not taken into account. Between 1933 and 1946 total assets increased by \$86,255,813 while total liabilities decreased by \$36,184,153.

*Rural Electrical Service in Ontario.\**—During past years substantial progress has been made in Ontario in the field of rural electrification, and the Commission's rural operations are now an important feature of its work. The Ontario Govern-

\* Legislation passed concerning rural power is as follows: the Power Commission Act (R.S.O. 1937, c. 62); the Rural Hydro-Electric Distribution Act (R.S.O. 1937, c. 64); the Rural Power District Loans Act (R.S.O. 1937, c. 65); and the Rural Power District Service Charge Act (R.S.O. 1937, c. 66).