

for the maintenance of children committed to the care and custody of a Children's Aid Society in the amount of 25 p.c. of the net municipal expenditure; and, by a further amendment, to make grants to Children's Aid Societies of 25 p.c. of the amount they raise through private campaigns for funds. These grants are in addition to the appropriate token grants based on the grading status of a Society.

The Day Nurseries Branch of the Division administers the Day Nurseries Act, 1946, which provides for the establishment of day nurseries in Ontario. Under the Act, any municipality establishing a day nursery may receive a provincial contribution equal to one-half its expenditures on operation and maintenance. The Act also provides for the supervision of all day nurseries throughout Ontario.

The British Child Guests Branch continues the supervision of the British children evacuated from the United Kingdom during the Second World War who still remain in Ontario.

*Care of the Aged.*—Homes for the Aged are operated under provincial supervision by counties, cities, districts and religious and benevolent societies. The Homes for the Aged Act passed at the 1949 session of the Legislature made it obligatory for both counties and municipalities to establish Homes for the Aged or to make arrangements with other municipalities for their care. Municipality is defined as a city, county or separated town. The Act also made additional provincial assistance available by enabling the Provincial Government to pay 50 p.c. of the construction cost of a new home or of additions or extensions to existing homes. In Districts, the Provincial Government is enabled to pay that portion of the cost of construction which may be allocated to unorganized territories. Under the new Act, also, the Provincial Government may pay 50 p.c. of the net cost of maintenance of such an institution. Plans for any new construction must be approved by the Minister of Public Welfare.

All private institutions for the care of the aged operate under the Charitable Institutions Act. This Act has not been changed but additional indirect assistance has been given many institutions by applying the per diem rate allowed under the Act to all old age pensioners resident in such institutions.

*Social Assistance.*—Regulations under the Unemployment Relief Act authorize contributions on the part of the Department of Public Welfare toward the alleviation of distress of unemployable persons. Schedules of assistance are provided in the regulations and are adjusted from time to time in accordance with changing food prices. Municipalities are reimbursed 50 p.c. of their expenditure, but in the unorganized areas the Province administers and pays the total cost of aid rendered.

*Assistance to Veterans.*—Through the Soldiers' Aid Commission, advice and emergency assistance is extended to ex-service men of the First and Second World Wars and to their families.

## Manitoba

Public welfare services are administered by the Public Welfare Division of the Department of Health and Public Welfare.

*Child Care and Protection.*—In unorganized territory basic child care and protection services are provided by the Division of Public Welfare. In most of the municipally organized areas, these services are maintained by four undenominational Children's Aid Societies which receive substantial provincial support under a new system of matching grants. Payments are based on a formula of the number and cost of social workers per 100,000 of population in a representative area where the