

Markets Branch administers the Farm Products Marketing Act and the Credit Unions Act, and supervises co-operatives under the Co-operative Marketing Loans Act; (7) the Milk Control Board, under the Milk Control Act, regulates and supervises the marketing of fluid milk; the Agricultural and Horticultural Societies Branch gives assistance to agricultural and horticultural fairs and exhibitions, ploughing matches and other competitions; (8) the Northern Ontario Branch gives assistance to farmers and settlers in northern Ontario in connection with land clearing and breaking; (9) the Agricultural Representative Branch carries on an educational and extension service through agricultural representatives located in all counties and districts and has direction over junior farmer activities; (10) the Women's Institute Branch gives leadership and direction to farm women's organized activities; (11) the Statistics and Publications Branch, in co-operation with the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, provides a crop-reporting service and gathers and disseminates data on crops, live stock and dairy products; (12) the Ontario Farm Labour Service is organized to secure and provide help for farmers during their busy seasons. The Department administers the Horticultural Experiment Station at Vineland, the Western Ontario Experimental Farm at Ridgeway and the Demonstration Farm at New Liskeard.

Manitoba.—The Department of Agriculture of Manitoba serves through the following branches: agricultural extension; live stock; dairy; agricultural publications and statistics; weeds administration; co-operative services; and the Provincial Veterinary Laboratory.

The Extension Service deals with agronomy, horticulture, poultry, agricultural engineering, beekeeping, junior live stock, boys' and girls' clubs and women's work, with specialists devoting their attention to these subjects. Meetings, field days and short courses are held throughout the Province. There are 28 agricultural representatives located throughout the Province, each representative serving from one to five municipalities.

The Live Stock Branch administers the Animal Husbandry Act, develops and administers policies which encourage the improvement and production of live stock, and works in close co-operation with the Veterinary Laboratory Service and the Dominion Health of Animals Division in the control of live-stock diseases.

The Dairy Branch administers the Dairy Act, supervises the grading of cream, inspects creameries and cheese factories, gives instruction in cheese- and butter-making, issues licences to makers of dairy products and to cream graders, furnishes plans and specifications in connection with the establishment of new creameries and cheese factories, etc.

The Agricultural Publications and Statistics Branch publishes and distributes, annually, approximately 100,000 bulletins, circulars, posters, leaflets, etc.

The Weeds Administration Branch directs the activities of 18 municipal weed-control units comprising 70 rural municipalities engaged in eradicating deep-rooted, persistent perennial weeds; supervises weed demonstrations; investigates weed problems; conducts weed surveys; and prepares weed literature, radio addresses, articles, pictures, mounted weed specimens, etc.

The Co-operative Services Branch takes care of the registration and supervision of co-operatives and credit unions and the administration of the Acts governing them. The Branch also gathers and compiles statistics on co-operative activity throughout the Province and supervises expenditures by the Study Group Committee and the activities of the Co-operative Promotions Board.