In addition to providing the means for oral communication, the carrier current channels convey the signals which isolate instantaneously from the system faulty power-line or equipment, indicate water levels and power loads and control the power frequency throughout the entire system so that electric clocks may keep accurate time and industrial machinery operate at constant speed. Radio is used for emergency communication with major operating centres throughout the southern Ontario system.

Additional Proposed Developments.—Realizing that frequency standardization would mean an even greater all-round use of electricity than had hitherto been experienced, the Commission, in 1950, was planning another major development at Niagara to be undertaken as soon as the necessary ratification of the project, which required the sanction of both the Canadian and United States Governments, could be obtained. This, it was estimated would add 800,000 h.p. to the resources of southern Ontario. Other developments were in prospect in the northwestern section of the Province.

Section 2.—The Central Electric Station Industry

An article dealing with government control of power in wartime is given at pp. 336-337 of the 1945 Canada Year Book.

Summary of Energy Generated by Type of Station, 1947 and 1948.—Central electric stations are companies, municipalities or individuals selling or distributing electric energy, whether generated by themselves or purchased for resale. Stations are divided into two classes according to ownership, viz., (1) commercial—those privately owned and operated by companies or individuals, and (2) municipal—those owned and operated by municipalities or Provincial Governments. These are subdivided according to the kind of power used into (a) hydraulic, (b) fuel, and (c) non-generating. This last sub-class purchases practically all the power it resells; a few of these stations have generating equipment that is held for emergencies. The hydraulic stations contain water turbines and wheels with approximately 88 p.c. of the total capacity of hydraulic installations in all industries in Canada: the generators driven by this hydraulic equipment generate 98 p.c. of the total output of all central electric stations.

5.—Electric Energy Generated, by Type of Station, 1939-46, and by Provinces, 1947 and 1948

Year and Province	Generated by—			Year and	Generated by-		
	Water Power	Thermal Engines	Total	Province	Water Power	Thermal Engines	Total
	'000 kwh.	'000 kwh.	'000 kwh.		'000 kwh.	'000 kwh.	'000 kwh.
1939 1940 1941 1942	27, 836, 691 29, 537, 459 32, 628, 930 36, 582, 953	501,339 571,824 688,733 772,226	28,338,030 30,109,283 33,317,663 37,355,179	1943 1944 1945	39,660,312 39,553,352 39,131,020 40,692,395	819,281 1,045,427 999,034 1,044,592	40,479,593 40,598,779 40,130,054 41,736,987
1947				1948			
P.E.I. N.S. N.B. Que Ont Man Sask Alta B.C.1	420,510	19,826 267,708 171,948 3,244 9,000 3,213 299,823 260,762 116,108	20,382 617,111 592,458 25,930,171 11,191,693 2,031,754 762,882 641,331 1,637,017	P.E.I. N.S. N.B. Que Ont Man Sask Alta B.C.1	320 366, 373 397, 233 24, 560, 684 11, 054, 394 2, 052, 586 471, 672 429, 758 1, 737, 075	21, 612 311, 288 194, 403 5, 998 41, 214 3, 123 333, 322 294, 740 113, 886	21, 932 677, 661 591, 636 24, 566, 682 11, 095, 608 2, 055, 709 804, 994 724, 498 1, 850, 961
Totals, 1947.	42,273,167	1,151,632	43,424,799	Totals, 1948.	41,070,095	1,319,586	42,389,681

¹ Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.