

## 4.—Receipts of Public Libraries, by Provinces, 1949

Province or Territory	Balance from Preceding Year	Local Taxes	Provincial Grants	Other Grants or Donations	All Other Receipts	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Newfoundland.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island.....	—	—	22,993	—	—	22,993
Nova Scotia.....	2,853	11,050	—	5,169	4,159	23,231
New Brunswick.....	11	32,250	—	97	3,381	35,739
Quebec.....	15,642	374,650	60,900	53,828	49,752	554,772
Ontario.....	123,218	2,267,005	403,649	11,743	200,017	3,005,632
Manitoba.....	4,398	187,925	200	126	2,292	194,941
Saskatchewan.....	11,230	167,201	4,228	4,128	9,131	195,918
Alberta.....	2,978	228,021	11,373	9,179	14,107	265,658
British Columbia.....	6,917	586,029	20,475	1,000	38,840	653,261
Yukon Territory.....	661	—	900 <sup>1</sup>	—	36	1,597
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>167,908</b>	<b>3,854,131</b>	<b>524,718</b>	<b>85,270</b>	<b>321,715</b>	<b>4,953,742</b>

<sup>1</sup> Territorial grant.

**Regional Libraries.**—In order to improve the library services in rural districts and in the smaller communities, all provinces except New Brunswick and Quebec have made some effort to establish regional libraries or modifications of such libraries. Prior to World War II, regional library service, or an adaption thereof, existed in British Columbia, Prince Edward Island, Newfoundland and Ontario. Since 1946, Saskatchewan has put into operation the North-Central Saskatchewan Regional Library with headquarters at Prince Albert, and is organizing a second section of this library. Nova Scotia has four new regional libraries in operation, the Annapolis Valley Regional Library, the Colchester-East Hants Regional Library, the Pictou County Regional Library and the Cape Breton Regional Library. Manitoba and Alberta have passed legislation providing for the organization of such libraries.

In the provinces where regional libraries are functioning, efforts have been made to improve the services rendered by increasing the number of distribution agencies and constructing new local libraries to act as regional depots.

Complete statistics for the new libraries were not yet available at the time of going to press. Services of the older regional libraries are given in Table 5.

## 5.—Statistics of Libraries Organized for Regional Collaboration, Alternate Years 1941-49

Library or Library Co-operative and Year	Branch Libraries	Deposit Stations	Schools	Total Library Agencies	Population Served	Registered Borrowers	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	
Prince Edward Island.....	1941	23	—	255	278	95,047	20,889
	1943	23	4	320	347	91,000	20,289
	1945	23	7	309	339	92,000	23,922
	1947	23	—	352	375	94,000	13,193
	1949	24	—	408	432	94,000	13,278
Ontario County Library Co-operatives.	1941	..	..	..	7	..	..
	1943	..	..	..	9	..	..
	1945	..	..	..	11	..	..
	1947	..	..	..	12	..	..
	1949	..	..	..	13	..	..