building will also be built in the Rideau Heights area. Development of the Tunney's Pasture site in the west central area continued with completion of new buildings for branches of the Departments of National Health and Welfare and for Atomic Energy of Canada. A start was made on the new Science Service Building of the Department of Agriculture in the Dominion Experimental Farm. The west structure of the Veterans Memorial Buildings on Wellington Street will be completed in 1958 and will be occupied by the Department of Trade and Commerce thus permitting demolition of No. 1 Temporary Building on the west end of Wellington Street and the erection there of the new National Library building.

A number of other federal buildings are in the planning stage, including a tri-service hospital on the Smyth Road east of the Rideau River. Ottawa's airport, where the FDC co-ordinated plans of the Royal Canadian Air Force, the Department of Transport and the National Aeronautical Establishment, is being extensively developed, and the Department of Transport started construction of a modern civilian air terminal building.

By 1957 the FDC had acquired most of the land needed for some fifty miles of new federal parkways, but apart from completion of the two-mile Fairy Lake Parkway in west Hull, no actual starts had been made. Fortune Lake Parkway in Gatineau Park, with its spectacular vistas of the Ottawa River valley, was paved and landscaped and a start was made on the ten-mile section running northerly from the Aylmer road in west Hull. The land acquisition program for the development of Gatineau Park in the Laurentian Hills north and west of the Ottawa-Hull metropolitan area made progress, and park improvements were continued with the construction of additional parking areas for the extensively used picnic grounds and bathing beaches at Lac Philippe.

Ottawa's major new municipal project is the widening of Carling Avenue from Bronson west to Kirkwood. Federally owned lands necessary to the construction of the new divided roadway were contributed to the project. The City has also undertaken the preparation of an official plan to guide its development within the framework of the Master Plan and part of the costs and technical assistance are being provided by the Commission. A federal-municipal committee was established to study the question of Ottawa River crossings between Ottawa and Hull. The committee concurred in the recommendations of an engineering firm that a new Ottawa-Hull bridge be eventually located about half a mile downstream from the present Interprovincial road and rail bridge. Smaller municipalities in the National Capital region are also being assisted by the FDC in the preparation of building and zoning by-laws.

In the spring of 1957 a Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Commons reviewed the progress made by the Federal District Commission in the implementation of the National Capital Plan and its projects for the future. The Joint Committee report resulted in the drafting and subsequent first reading in Parliament of a new Act designed to facilitate the Commission's work, both in federal planning works and in co-operative Master Plan projects with the local municipalities.

Section 3.—Wildlife Resources and Conservation*

The Canadian Wildlife Service.—The Canadian Wildlife Service of the National Parks Branch, Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources is responsible for attending to wildlife matters coming within the jurisdiction of the Federal Government, except those within the purview of the National Museum and certain activities closely related to Indian affairs.

Its functions include acting in an advisory capacity with regard to conservation and management of wildlife in the Northwest Territories and Yukon Territory; advising and co-operating with the National Parks and Historic Sites Division regarding fish and wildlife problems in the National Parks; and administration of the Migratory Birds Convention Act in conjunction with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and in co-operation with the

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