

(Women's Institutes) in operation with a membership of 41,000; 458 farmers' clubs with a membership of 22,042, and 142 junior farmer clubs where 4,062 young boys and girls are working on numerous practical agricultural projects.

The Farm Credit Bureau was established in 1936. During 20 years of operation the Bureau has made 45,238 loans to the farmers of Quebec amounting to a sum of \$120,000,000; 21,006 of these loans were for the establishment of young men on farms.

Ontario.—The Ontario Department of Agriculture provides financial assistance and administrative services to agriculture through its Head Office, twelve branches, three experimental farms, two demonstration farms, and through research and extension work carried on at the four educational institutions under its administration. Head Office, in addition to general administration, administers policies providing assistance to farmers and settlers in northern Ontario in connection with land breaking and clearing and improvement of farms and livestock.

The Live Stock Branch promotes livestock improvement policies, licenses and examines stallions and gives support to purebred livestock associations.

The Field Crops Branch assists in the development of good cultural practices and promotes the use of improved strains of seed, the improvement of pastures and the eradication of weeds.

The Dairy Branch provides an inspection, instruction and supervision service to all dairy factories and promotes the production of clean milk on farms.

The Farm Economics Branch conducts cost studies on agricultural production in co-operation with agricultural organizations.

The Fruit Branch enforces fruit and vegetable regulations, provides information to growers and administers the Co-operative Loans Act.

The Co-operation and Markets Branch administers the Farm Products Marketing Act, the Ontario Food Terminal Act and the Farm Products Containers Act.

The Milk Control Board, under the Milk Industry 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, and administers the Community Centres Act.

The Extension Branch carries on an educational and extension service through agricultural representatives located in all counties and districts and gives direction to 4-H Club work and the Ontario Junior Farmers' Association. Through the Home Economics Service, the Extension Branch gives leadership and direction to organized activities of rural women.

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, livestock and dairy products.

The Ontario Junior Farmer Loan Branch administers the Ontario Junior Farmer Establishment Act.

The Horticultural Experiment Station at Vineland, the Western Ontario Experimental Farm and Agricultural School at Ridgetown, the Demonstration Farm at New Liskeard, the Kemptville Agricultural School, the Ontario Agricultural College including Macdonald Institute, and the Ontario Veterinary College at Guelph, all under the administration of the Department, provide research and extension services to Ontario agriculture.

The Ontario Department of Agriculture is also responsible for the administration of the Ontario Telephone Authority.

Manitoba.—The Department of Agriculture serves Manitoba through the following branches: agricultural extension; livestock; dairy; soils and crops; agricultural publications and statistics; weeds administration; co-operative services; and the provincial veterinary laboratory.