

Departmental policies in support of the agricultural industry include: a bonus of \$125 an acre on land cleared by privately owned equipment; the distribution of ground limestone at a subsidized rate; the payment of bonuses on purebred sires; and financial assistance to agricultural societies, marketing organizations and exhibition committees. An inspection service is provided for poultry products, vegetables and blueberries, production of the latter being encouraged by the burning of suitable berry areas and the improvement of roads and trails leading to them. Small fruit development is promoted through the distribution of quality foundation stock.

Every encouragement is given to the production of livestock. An experimental sheep flock is maintained. Poultry and beef production have increased with favourable marketing conditions and with departmental assistance and loans under the Provincial Farm Development Loan Act. A veterinary supervises the health of animals program and the joint federal-provincial project for the eradication of bovine tuberculosis.

The Agricultural Division co-operates with the Department of Education in furthering the 4-H Club movement in the province and accepts responsibility for all projects pertaining to agriculture.

**Prince Edward Island.**—The activities of the provincial Department of Agriculture are suggested by its staff which includes, in addition to the Minister and Deputy Minister, a Dairy Superintendent and Assistant, two Check Testers, two Dairy Herd Improvement Promoters, a Director of Veterinary Services and nine subsidized practising veterinarians, a Livestock Director, a Marketing Director, a Horticulturist, a Soil Analysis Assistant, a Poultry Fieldman, an Economist, two Agronomists, a Director of 4-H Clubs, three Agricultural Representatives, a Nursery Supervisor, and a Director, an Assistant Director and two Extension Workers of Women's Institutes.

**Nova Scotia.**—The Department of Agriculture and Marketing endeavours to "help the people to help themselves" through strengthening member interest in such organizations as the Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture, the Nova Scotia Fruit Growers' Association, various agricultural co-operative organizations, credit unions and producer organizations. The Department is assisted by the Nova Scotia Advisory Committee on Agricultural Services which has been established to promote agricultural policies and projects of the federal and the provincial Departments of Agriculture. The Committee meets quarterly to determine how the work of these Departments may be co-ordinated and directed through integrated agricultural policies and with minimum duplication of services.

**New Brunswick.**—Provincial government agricultural policy in New Brunswick is directed by the Department of Agriculture. The Department is headed by the Minister of Agriculture who is assisted by a Deputy Minister and the Directors of the following Branches: extension, livestock, dairy, veterinary, poultry, horticulture, field husbandry, potato and plant protection, agricultural engineering, home economics, credit union and co-operative, and agricultural education.

**Quebec.**—The Department of Agriculture of Quebec comprises 10 services: rural education, rural economy, extension, animal husbandry, horticulture, field husbandry, information and research, home economics, animal health, and drainage. Each service is divided into sections dealing with particular problems.

The Department also includes many other special organizations such as the Research Council, the Dairy Industry Commission, the Dairy School of St. Hyacinthe, the Provincial Extension Farm (Deschambault), the Fur Bearing Animals Extension Farm (St. Louis de Courville). The Farm Credit Bureau, the Quebec Sugar Refinery (St. Hilaire), the Provincial Veterinary School (St. Hyacinthe) and the Office of Rural Electrification are also under the authority of the Minister of Agriculture.