

or slated for future development as recreational parks with camping and picnic facilities. The more important parks in each province are mentioned briefly in the following paragraphs.

Newfoundland.—There are 78.5 sq. miles of provincial parkland reservations in Newfoundland. Of the total area, 26 sq. miles are at present utilized for public recreation and the remaining 52.5 sq. miles are as yet undeveloped. The active parkland consists of three regional parks, each having an area of about 8 sq. miles, and 18 roadside parks with camp and picnic facilities, each having an area of about 100 acres.

In early 1966 arrangements were made under the federal Agricultural and Rural Development Act (ARDA) program to establish 12 more provincial parks in Newfoundland within the next two years. The parks will be located in various sections of the province and each will contain 25 camping areas, 25 picnic areas and swimming facilities, with associated roads, trails, clearings and bridges.

Prince Edward Island.—Twenty areas totalling 900 acres have been developed as provincial parks including Strathgartney Park, a 40-acre tract of land on the Trans-Canada Highway between Charlottetown and Borden, which is an excellent picnic site and campground with its hardwood groves, fresh spring water and beautiful view over the West River and the surrounding country; Lord Selkirk Park, an area of 30 acres at Eldon, is of historic interest in that it contains an old French cemetery and marks the spot on the shoreline where Lord Selkirk landed; Brudenell River Park, comprising 80 acres at Roseneath, has a considerable area of woodland and runs to the shore of the Brudenell River; Jacques Cartier Park, an area of 13 acres at Kildare Beach four miles from Alberton, is of historic significance as the place where Jacques Cartier first landed on Prince Edward Island; Green Park, 27 acres on the Trout River, is an attractive combination of land, trees and water and is also of interest as a historic shipbuilding centre; and Cabot Park at Malpeque, named in honour of the famous explorer, John Cabot, is a 16-acre area with beautiful sandy beaches and an interesting museum. Several small parks have been developed or are under development. The parks are maintained by the Department of Tourist Development. A fee of \$1.50 is charged for serviced tent and trailer sites and of \$1 for unserviced sites.

Nova Scotia.—Steady progress is being made in establishing a provincial park system in Nova Scotia, having the ultimate goal of providing facilities at 20 to 25 camping-picnic parks and some 60 picnic parks. During 1967 there were in operation 12 camping parks, 39 picnic parks and 10 roadside picnic sites. Ten additional camping parks are planned for development in 1967-68, as well as additional picnic parks. Under a land acquisition program, the province has acquired over 9,000 acres for park purposes and it is intended that recreational holdings will continue to increase over the next few years. A beach acquisition program is also in progress. Progress is being made on the recreation section of the Canada Land Inventory program; it is anticipated that the whole program will be completed by March 1968.

New Brunswick.—The Department of Natural Resources is responsible for the development of the provincial park system, which includes 15 regional parks ranging in size from 25 to 200 acres, 19 picnic campgrounds and 30 roadside picnic grounds. All picnic and camping grounds contain tables, some form of toilet facility and a potable water supply but more elaborate facilities are available in the larger parks. Most parks are adjacent to or easily accessible from main trunk roads. No entrance fee is charged at any of the sites, but a daily camping fee of \$1 to \$1.50 is in effect at 20 of the larger parks and campgrounds.

The total number of visitors to provincial parks in 1966 exceeded 1,300,000, campers numbering 113,110; 74 p.c. of the campers using park sites come from outside the province and about 40 p.c. of the day-use visitors are non-residents. Most of the park sites are located in rural areas, fairly evenly distributed throughout the province. A five-year