

**Education.**—This major key to continued Indian progress receives ever-increasing support from Indian parents, from their school committees, from non-federal governments and from professional groups specifically concerned with classroom instruction of Indian pupils. The Indian Affairs Branch maintains and operates a number of schools for Indians but 32,941 of the 64,439 Indian elementary and secondary school pupils attend non-federal schools. Attendance of Indians at non-federal schools has been arranged, for the most part, through agreements between the Branch and individual school boards. In 1964, however, an agreement was concluded with the Province of Manitoba whereby a uniform tuition fee is paid by the Branch for Indian pupils attending schools under the jurisdiction of that province. Manitoba also passed legislation to give Indian children the right to attend any non-federal school.

There are three types of schools operated at the expense of the Federal Government. On many reserves, day schools provide education for children who live at home. Residential schools care for orphaned children, children who come from broken homes and for those who, because of isolation or for other reasons, are unable to attend day schools. A third type of school gives instruction to children confined to hospital. All standard classroom supplies and authorized textbooks are used in federal schools, which follow generally the curriculum of the province in which they are located. Federal financial assistance for pupils attending non-federal schools varies from payment of tuition fees to full maintenance. Promising senior students are awarded scholarships to attend university or vocational school and scholarships are given to those who show promise in the arts.

**24.—Enrolment of Indian Pupils in Elementary and Secondary Schools classified by Type of School and by Grade, School Years Ended 1962-67**

| Year and Type of School | Grade |        |       |       | Special | Absent from Reserve <sup>1</sup> | Total  |
|-------------------------|-------|--------|-------|-------|---------|----------------------------------|--------|
|                         | Pre-1 | 1-6    | 7-8   | 9-13  |         |                                  |        |
|                         | No.   | No.    | No.   | No.   | No.     | No.                              | No.    |
| 1961-62.....            | 3,560 | 32,746 | 5,698 | 3,381 | 739     | 1,616                            | 47,740 |
| Federal.....            | 3,403 | 24,256 | 3,361 | 596   | 739     | —                                | 32,355 |
| Non-federal.....        | 157   | 8,490  | 2,337 | 2,785 | —       | 1,616                            | 15,385 |
| 1962-63.....            | 3,759 | 34,035 | 5,772 | 3,830 | 590     | 1,924                            | 49,910 |
| Federal.....            | 3,407 | 24,262 | 3,004 | 737   | 590     | —                                | 32,000 |
| Non-federal.....        | 352   | 9,773  | 2,768 | 3,093 | —       | 1,924                            | 17,910 |
| 1963-64.....            | 3,897 | 35,453 | 6,161 | 4,065 | 770     | 4,575                            | 54,921 |
| Federal.....            | 3,575 | 24,791 | 3,089 | 750   | 506     | —                                | 32,711 |
| Non-federal.....        | 322   | 10,662 | 3,072 | 3,315 | 264     | 4,575                            | 22,210 |
| 1964-65.....            | 4,027 | 36,229 | 6,758 | 4,761 | 804     | 4,686                            | 57,265 |
| Federal.....            | 3,422 | 24,067 | 3,292 | 768   | 509     | —                                | 32,058 |
| Non-federal.....        | 605   | 12,162 | 3,466 | 3,993 | 295     | 4,686                            | 25,207 |
| 1965-66.....            | 3,660 | 38,929 | 7,107 | 5,220 | 1,013   | 5,466                            | 61,395 |
| Federal.....            | 3,093 | 24,566 | 3,203 | 716   | 462     | —                                | 32,040 |
| Non-federal.....        | 567   | 14,363 | 3,904 | 4,504 | 551     | 5,466                            | 29,355 |
| 1966-67.....            | 3,830 | 40,408 | 7,453 | 5,510 | 1,081   | 6,157                            | 64,439 |
| Federal.....            | 2,939 | 24,672 | 3,093 | 427   | 210     | 157                              | 31,498 |
| Non-federal.....        | 891   | 15,736 | 4,360 | 5,083 | 871     | 6,000                            | 32,941 |

<sup>1</sup> Pupils (and parents) living off the reserves in communities with educational facilities usually attend non-federal schools but school records are not maintained by the Indian Affairs Branch.