

By Dec. 31, 1952, \$230,986,561, or 65.3 p.c. of the total of all loans made, had been repaid. Of the loans made during the first three years of operation, all but 0.7 p.c. had been repaid; of those made during the second three years, all but 9.7 p.c. had been repaid; for the 22 months of the third three-year period ended Dec. 31, 1952, 38.7 p.c. had been repaid.

### 3.—Loans made under the Farm Improvement Loans Act, by Purpose, 1945-52

Purpose	1951		1952		Totals Since Inception in 1945	
	Loans	Amount	Loans	Amount	Loans	Amount
	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$
Purchase of agricultural implements.....	67,605	78,302,385	75,347	90,818,129	291,722	320,973,199
Construction, repair or alteration of, or additions to any structure on a farm...	2,813	3,378,564	2,923	3,474,114	15,461	16,902,825
Purchase of live stock.....	2,918	2,741,289	3,175	2,899,824	11,498	9,456,613
Improvement or development project...	1,253	694,460	1,420	843,724	10,740	5,057,286
Purchase or installation of equipment or electric system.....	406	167,668	357	154,459	2,033	950,237
Fencing or drainage.....	61	39,374	91	67,437	433	278,586
Alteration or improvement of electric system.....	7	2,487	2	1,465	53	21,336
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>75,063</b>	<b>85,326,227</b>	<b>83,315</b>	<b>98,259,152</b>	<b>331,940</b>	<b>353,640,082</b>

### 4.—Loans made under the Farm Improvement Loans Act, by Province, 1945-52

Province	1951		1952		Totals Since Inception in 1945	
	Loans	Amount	Loans	Amount	Loans	Amount
	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$
Newfoundland.....	3	2,412	44	49,900	49	53,279
Prince Edward Island.....	1,271	1,144,295	1,782	1,756,128	4,088	3,779,698
Nova Scotia.....	695	619,720	888	852,297	2,345	2,077,078
New Brunswick.....	655	696,751	866	926,499	2,246	2,357,227
Quebec.....	5,405	6,125,622	6,049	7,128,775	17,033	18,645,800
Ontario.....	11,323	12,178,465	11,299	12,245,803	41,208	42,727,383
Manitoba.....	10,120	11,370,755	10,061	11,225,437	45,725	47,088,194
Saskatchewan.....	23,272	27,876,923	28,127	35,365,330	110,710	123,241,474
Alberta.....	20,309	23,240,816	22,130	26,495,163	99,592	104,714,997
British Columbia.....	2,010	2,070,468	2,069	2,213,820	8,944	8,954,952
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>75,063</b>	<b>85,326,227</b>	<b>83,315</b>	<b>98,259,152</b>	<b>331,940</b>	<b>353,640,082</b>

*Prairie Grain Producers' Interim Financing Act, 1951.*—This Act, which came into force Jan. 15, 1952, provides short-term credit to grain producers in the Prairie Provinces who, because of congested delivery points or inability to complete harvesting of their grain, are in need of credit until their grain can be delivered. Individual advances can be made to a maximum of \$1,000.

### Subsection 2.—Agricultural Research and Experimentation

The Department of Agriculture conducts, on a broad scale, scientific research and experimentation on the control of pests and diseases, the nutritional requirements of plants and animals, the breeding and testing of new species and varieties, the microbiology of soils and foods, investigations of crop production and cultural methods,