

governments, and all unalienated lands in the Province of Newfoundland, except those administered by the Federal Government, became provincial public lands under the Terms of Union on Mar. 31, 1949.

All land in the Province of Prince Edward Island has been alienated except 11 sq. miles under federal administration.

Information regarding provincial public lands may be obtained from the respective provinces. (See the Directory of Sources of Official Information, Chapter XXIX, under "Lands".)

Certain areas in most of the provinces have been set aside for parks and reserves; these are dealt with in Subsection 3.

### Subsection 3.—National and Provincial Parks

The future of Canada in the field of outdoor recreation is being wisely provided for by the establishment of National and Provincial Parks. Many of these Parks are easily accessible by highway, rail or air and offer every type of accommodation from camping facilities to palatial hotels and cosy cabins. A wide variety of summer and winter recreational attractions are available in mountain, lakeland, woodland and seaside areas of exceptional scenic beauty.

The areas of the Parks are given in Table 3; location, year of establishment, area, and main characteristics of each National Park are given in Table 4 followed by a brief description of the Provincial Parks.

#### 3.—Area of National and Provincial Parks, by Province, 1954

Province or Territory	National sq. miles	Provincial sq. miles	Total sq. miles
Newfoundland.....	—	48-00	48-00
Prince Edward Island.....	7-00	—	7-00
Nova Scotia.....	390-61	—	390-61
New Brunswick.....	79-63	—	79-63
Quebec.....	<sup>1</sup>	20,244-00	20,244-00
Ontario.....	11-72	5,079-17	5,090-89
Manitoba.....	1,148-09	2,604-00 <sup>2</sup>	3,752-09
Saskatchewan.....	1,496-05	1,685-13	3,181-18
Alberta.....	20,718-00	116-54	20,834-54
British Columbia.....	1,671-00	14,087-00	15,758-00
Yukon and Northwest Territories.....	3,625-00	—	3,625-00
<b>Canada.....</b>	<b>29,147-10</b>	<b>43,863-84</b>	<b>73,010-94</b>

<sup>1</sup> Less than one square mile.

<sup>2</sup> Three areas, though not designated as Provincial Parks, are used for recreational purposes and are therefore included here (see p. 37).

**National Parks.**—From 1885, when the first National Park was established around the mineral hot springs at Banff, Alta., until 1954, 28 areas covering more than 29,000 sq. miles have been set aside as National Parks.

These Parks are maintained by the Federal Government for the protection of their flora, fauna and natural phenomena, for the preservation of their scenic beauty and interest and, in some cases, the marking of their historical significance in the building of the nation. They are supervised by the National Parks Branch, Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources, and are developed and maintained in such a manner as to provide perpetual inspiration, education and healthful recreation for present and future generations.