

All Canadians are interested in the new Citizenship Legislation which has appeared on the Statute Books since the 1946 Year Book was published. A detailed treatment of this legislation is now given in the Miscellaneous Administration Chapter at pp. 1166 to 1171.

The substitution of a Directory of Official Sources of Information for the detailed lists of publications previously given in the Sources of Official Information Chapter has been decided upon: this Directory appears at pp. 1184 to 1202. The former detailed lists of publications were not easy of reference, since they were presented on a Departmental basis and a convenient subject classification was not possible. Moreover, most Federal and Provincial Departments publish individual lists of their own, classified and arranged for ready reference. For this reason, as well as to render better service to the public by directing general inquiries for official information to the proper sources, this Directory is felt to be desirable.

In addition to the chapter revisions, only the most important of which are touched on above, special articles are included on the National Agricultural Program and Policy in the Agriculture Chapter, Noxious Forest Insects and their Control in the Forestry Chapter, the History and Development of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in the Transportation and Communications Chapter, the Operations of the Canadian Wheat Board 1939-46, in the Domestic Trade Chapter, and Insurance in Canada during the Depression and War Periods in the Insurance Chapter.

More than the average number of maps and diagrams appear in the current volume. Additional ones have been printed in black and white to save expense. This is a feature of the Year Book to which greater emphasis is given in view of the popularity of visual means of interpretation at the present time. The expense and work involved in preparing such charts are considered to be more than offset by their usefulness in explaining the text.

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With a view to the improvement of future editions, the Bureau will be glad to hear of any errors that may have escaped notice and to receive suggestions with regard to omissions or to methods of treatment.

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