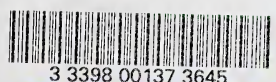


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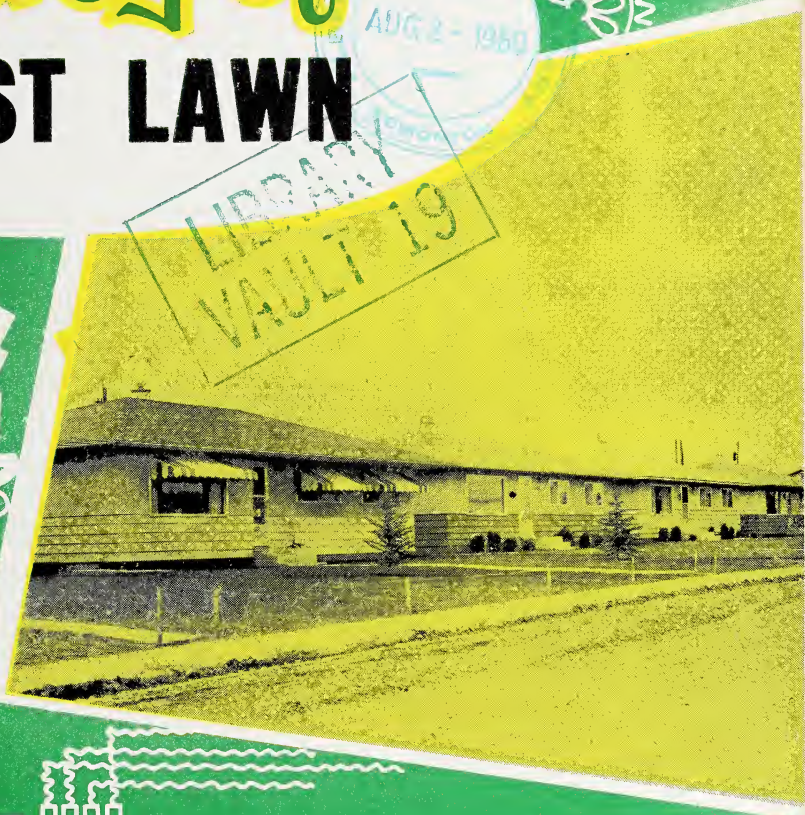
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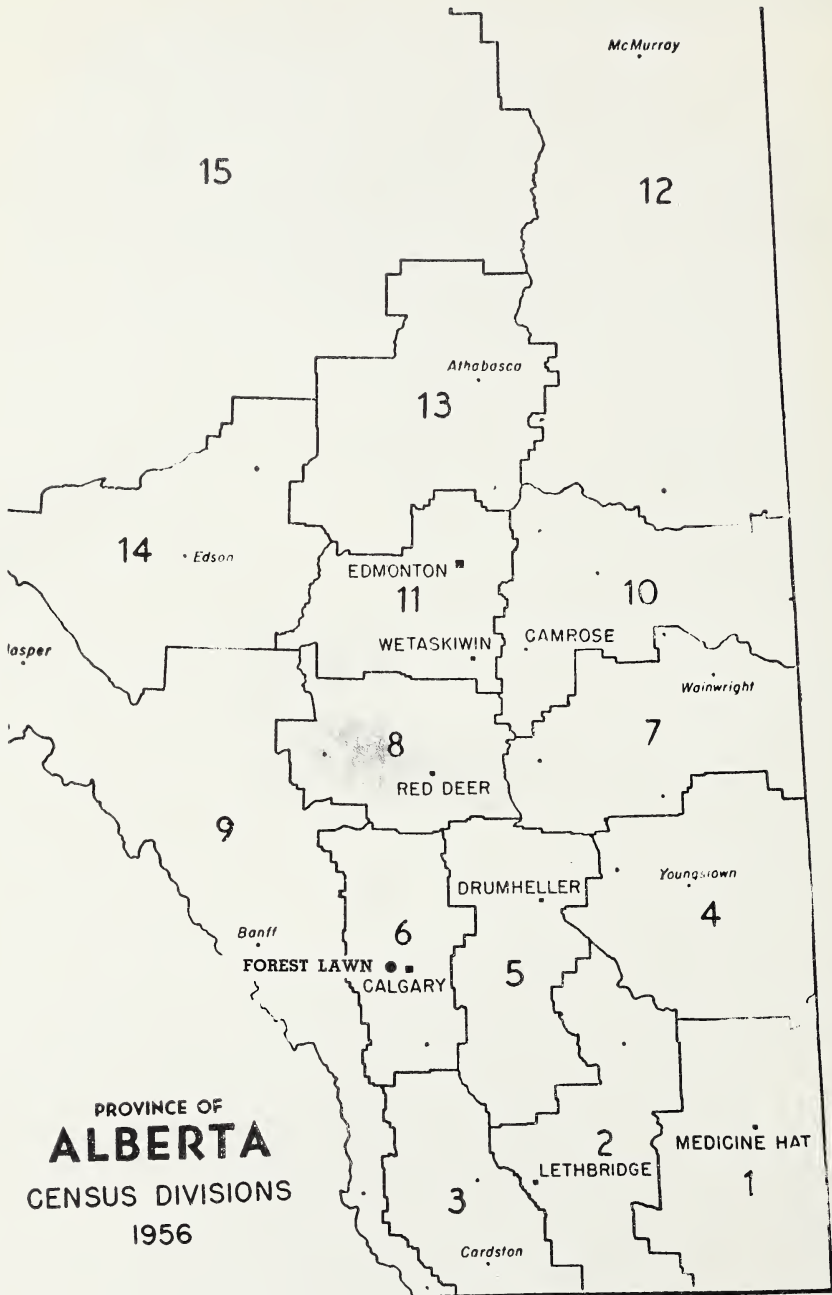
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1956

Town of Forest Lawn

(Revised May, 1960)

1. LOCATION

Parts of sections 9, 10, 15 and 16-24-29-W4 in Census Division No. 6. This location is three miles east of Calgary on Highway No. 1A.

2. ALTITUDE

3,450 feet Latitude 51/02 Longitude 113/58

3. TEMPERATURES

January 14.8°F.

April 39.8°F.

July 61.9°F.

October 41.9°F.

Annual 38.6°F.

These averages cover a period of 58 years.

4 RAINFALL

Average annual rainfall 11.84 inches

Average annual snowfall 50.3 inches

Average annual precipitation 16.87 inches

These averages cover a period of 70 years.

5. GEOLOGY

The surface rocks in the Forest Lawn District are composed of 20 to 30 feet of glacial clay and gravel. Underlying these glacial deposits are several hundred feet of sandstone and shale, which were deposited in lake and stream deltas. These latter sediments are called the Paskapoo formation. Since their deposition, the North American continent has been uplifted; consequently, the rocks have been eroded and only a fraction of their original thickness remains. Below the Paskapoo formation there are about 5,000 feet of Cretaceous sediments and underlying these are about 3,000 feet of Paleozoic carbonate sediments. Recent gas production in the area is from these Paleozoic rocks.

6. SOIL

Forest Lawn lies in a thin black soil zone which is described as follows:

Climate

Annual precipitation averages between 14 and 17 inches. The higher rainfall is in the southern part of the province where there is a correspondingly higher evaporation. Drought occurs only occasionally.

Vegetation

Grassland in which bluffs of trees are found in places where moisture conditions are more favourable.

Soil Profile

The normal profile has an A horizon that averages about 10 inches in depth and which in its upper 3 to 6 inches is black in color. The remainder is usually dark brown. The B horizon is usually brown to dark brown and the lime horizon (Bca) is found at depths of 24 to 30 inches below the surface. Generally the depth to the lime layer is considered as indicative of the efficiency of rain penetration.

Fertility

Soils in this zone are usually fairly well supplied with nitrogen and organic matter. In any zone exhaustive cropping depletes the soil's native food supply and fibre. A permanent system of cropping provides for the adequate replacement of depleted plant foods and the maintenance of organic matter.

Land Use

A greater number of soil types can be considered arable than in the brown zones. Wheat is the principal crop grown but considerably more diversification is possible and should be practised to maintain soil fertility. The non-arable land is generally very good pasture.

7. HISTORY

Forest Lawn was named after the famed Hollywood Cemetery — a California beauty spot. The town has almost forgotten how it was born of a swindle, with the assistance of a couple of confidence tricksters, a cemetery and a pile of old railway ties. 1910 was a boom year for real estate salesmen who were launching several areas and schemes for selling these areas. Two American real estate agents were promoting the Forest Lawn area and prepared a prospectus which showed the would-be buyer shady stately trees and green moss. The picture was very rosy indeed. Besides guaranteeing a woodland grandeur, artificial lake, a magnificent view of the Rockies (which they received) and a really classy residential lot, some of the purchasers bought and moved onto a treeless, bald prairie district flanking Calgary.

At the beginning the property did not sell because there were no transportation facilities. Seeing their scheme disappearing, the "con men" began searching for other gimmicks and came up with a prize. They purchased old railroad ties and began laying them from the Calgary boundary and promised the would-be purchasers a modern street car service. After this the lots sold more readily and the two "con men" disappeared and were never heard of again. The first residents spent money trying to locate these men but to no avail.



Excellent shopping facilities serve the town.

In the last fifty years Forest Lawn has grown into a thriving community with modern conveniences.

8. LIVING CONDITIONS

At the present time the streets and lanes are rough because of laying sewers and water mains in the new areas. Once these are paved and some of the old buildings torn down, the town will be a fine residential district. The view of the Rocky Mountains is beautiful and people come for miles around to enjoy the view during the clear summer days. Modern schools supply the educational needs of the town and Grades 1 to 12 are taught. Six churches supply the spiritual needs of the community.

Value of Building Permits	1957	\$3,250,000
Value of Building Permits	1958	7,500,000
Value of Building Permits	1959	7,472,490

9. ADMINISTRATION

The town is governed by a mayor elected for a two year term and six councillors, two elected each year for a three year term. The secretary treasurer administers the affairs of the town according to the policies set by council.

Town School Board. Town Superintendent. Engineers. Building and Plumbing Inspectors. Welfare Officer.

10. LAW ENFORCEMENT

Court room and resident police magistrate. A chief constable and seven police constables.

Building Regulations

The National Building Code as prepared by the National Research Council has been adopted as the building regulations for the town. All new buildings, repairs to buildings or removal of buildings, must be first approved after which a permit is issued.

Electrical installations conform to the Alberta Electrical Protection Act.

Sanitary installations conform to the Alberta Public Health Regulations.

Natural gas installations conform to a town by-law and to the Provincial Gas Regulations.

Garbage collected weekly .

11. FIRE PROTECTION

Forest Lawn fire brigade consists of a fire chief and 18 volunteer firemen.

Equipment

One GMC 1960 chassis with American Marsh Pumper rated capacity 500 GPM and a 500 gallon water tank.

One Ford chassis pumper with rated capacity of 420 GPM and 300 gallon tank.

One Rescue Car and auxiliary equipment.

1,450 feet of 2½ inch hose. 950 feet of 1½ inch hose.

Aluminum roof and extension ladders, crow bars, axes, coats, boots, helmets, etc.

Water Supply

Water is obtained from three wells. The water is pumped through the town system and into a 1,000,000-gallon reservoir. There are 144 fire hydrants conveniently located throughout the town.

12. TAX STRUCTURE

	1960 Net Assessment
Land, 100% of value	\$ 3,401,580.00
Improvements, 100% of fair value	7,943,740.00
Business	462,350.00
Power	105,000.00
Total Assessment	<u>\$11,912,670.00</u>

Mill Rate

Municipal	School	Hospital	Special	Total
7.6	43.6	2.8	1.0	55 mills

13. AREAS

Area of town	1642.4 Acres
Streets and lanes	343 Acres
Parks and playgrounds	10.7 Acres



Many churches serve the community's religious needs.

Miles of Roads, Streets and Lanes

	Asphalt	Gravel	Earth	Others	Total
Provincial Main	2				2
Streets and Roads		30	7	14	51
Lanes and Alleys		9	4	1	14
Total Miles					67

There are 26 miles of monolithic sidewalk curb and gutter and 3.6 miles of concrete curb and gutter.

14. SEWER AND WATER MAIN MILEAGE

Storm sewers	3.5 miles
Sanitary sewers	29.3 miles
Water mains	30.2 miles

15. POWER

Three phase 60 cycle power is supplied under a franchise by the City of Calgary.

Light Rates (Domestic and Commercial)

For the first 300 kwh of monthly consumption	6.25c per kwh
Next 300 kwh of monthly consumption	5. c per kwh
Over 600 kwh of monthly consumption	2.5 c per kwh

Minimum charge — Not less than \$2.50 per month, and for each additional kw over 1 kw of connected load — \$1.50 per month.

Heating and Small Power

2.25 per kwh.

Minimum charge — \$1.50 per H.P. of connected load per month, and not less than \$3.00 per service per month.

Combination Light, Heat and Small Power (Residences Only)

For the first 25 kwh of monthly consumption	6.25c per kwh
Next 150 kwh of monthly consumption	2.25c per kwh
All over 175 kwh of monthly consumption	1.5 c per kwh

Minimum charge — \$3.00 for first 3 kw of connected load per month, and \$1.00 for each additional kw of connected load. No service considered less than 3 kw.

Power 3 Phase

2.5c per kwh for the first 30 hrs. use per connected h.p.

2c per kwh for the next 30 hrs. use per connected h.p.

1.5c per kwh for all over 60 hrs. use per connected h.p.

Minimum charge — \$1.50 per h.p. of connected load per month, not less than \$4.50 per service per month.

Discount

5%.

16. WATER

Water is obtained from three wells (two wells 29 feet deep, 250 GPM and one well 42 feet deep rated 600 GPM). The water is pumped into a 1,000,000 gallon reservoir, after the water is treated with chlorine at the well sites.

Domestic Rate

\$5.50 per month.

Discount — 5% if paid within 15 days of the date rendered.

Commercial Rate (Metered)

First 2,500 gallons used per month	\$3.00 min.
2,501 to 5,000 gallons used per month	\$1.00 per M gal.
5,001 to 10,000 gallons used per month	\$0.90 per M gal.
10,001 to 50,000 gallons used per month	\$0.80 per M gal.
50,001 to 500,000 gallons used per month	\$0.40 per M gal.
500,001 to 1,000,000 gallons used per month	\$0.35 per M gal.
All over 1,000,000 gallons used per month	\$0.30 per M gal.

Discount — 5% if paid within 15 days of the date rendered.

Water Analysis

	Parts per Million
Total Solids	172
Ignition Loss	88
Hardness	140
Sulphates	8
Chlorides	nil
Alkalinity	125
Nature of Alkalinity — Bicarbonate of Lime and Mangesium	
Nitrites	trace
Nitrates6
Iron	nil
Fluorine4

Remarks: Chemically this water is suitable.

17. GAS

Natural gas is supplied under a franchise by the Canadian Western Natural Gas Co. Ltd.

General Rate No. 1

Available to all customers.

First 2 mcf or less used per month \$3.00.

All additional mcf used per month 32c per mcf.

Minimum monthly charge \$3.00.

When accounts are not paid on or before the due date, the charge per mcf other than the first 2 mcf shall be increased by 4c and the gross rate so arrived at shall apply.



Many industries are located within town limits.

Optional Rate No. 2

General service — Available to all customers whose annual consumption is more than 19,500 mcf.

Fixed charge — \$150.00 per month, plus commodity charge — 23c per mcf per month.

Minimum monthly charge — \$150.00. When accounts are not paid on or before the due date, the charge per mcf shall be increased by 2c and the gross rate so arrived at shall apply.

Optional High Load Factor Rate No. 3

Available to customers whose annual consumption is more than 10,000 mcf and whose total consumption during the six meter reading periods ending in May, June, July, August, September and October, is not less than 40 per cent of their total consumption for the year.

Fixed charge — \$20.00 per month, plus \$1.75 per month per mcf of maximum 12 hour demand, plus commodity charge — First 4,000 mcf per month — 15c per mcf.

All additional mcf per month — 14c per mcf.

Minimum monthly charge — fixed charge. The maximum 12 hour demand shall be the greatest amount in cubic feet delivered in any 12 consecutive hours during the current billing period or the preceding eleven billing periods as determined by the company by measurement. The maximum 12 hour demand of a new consumer of gas shall be estimated by the company. Provided that the company may, with the approval of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners, take into consideration in determining the fixed charge the effect of the consumer's demand and for gas upon the company's peak load.

General Conditions Affecting Rates No. 2 and No. 3

These rate schedules are available only on annual contract which shall continue from year to year thereafter until either party give to the other party, at least thirty days prior to the expiration of any such year, a written notice of desire to terminate same, whereupon at the expiration of such year, it shall cease and determine.

18. L.P. GAS

Heat value — 2,521 btu per cu. ft. at 60° F.

100 lb. cylinders — \$4.50.

Bulk — 14c per gallon.

There are no storage facilities in the town.

19. DIESEL FUEL

Heat value — 135,000 to 140,000 btu per gal. at 60° F.

Winter grade — 15.1c per gallon.

Summer grade — 14.1c per gallon.

No storage facilities in the town. Supplies shipped from Calgary.

20. COAL

None used.

21. RESOURCES

Wheat, coarse grains, cattle, sheep, horses and hogs, dairy products, poultry and eggs.

22. GOVERNMENT OFFICES AND SERVICES

Federal

Post office.

Provincial

Alberta Government Telephones; police magistrate; liquor vendor.

Municipal

Town hall, court room, council chamber, secretary-treasurer, town superintendent, building and plumbing inspectors, welfare officer, school board offices, library, police department, fire hall.

23. HEALTH SERVICES

There is no hospital in the town. Nearest hospital is Calgary, three miles west.

Health Unit, established April 1st, 1960, consisting of two nurses, one doctor, one sanitary inspector and one recording technician.

One doctor, one dentist, one dental technician, one optician, three drug stores.

24. PROFESSIONAL AND SKILLED PERSONAL SERVICES

(excluding health services)

Type of Service	No. of Establishments
Accountants	1
Barbers	3
Beauty Parlors	4
Lawyers	2
Watch Repairs	1



Schools in the community are modern, well staffed.

25. TRANSPORTATION

Canadian National Railways — Edmonton to Calgary.
Local bus — half hour service to Calgary.
Trucks — service to and from Calgary.
Taxi — one (3 cabs).

26. NEWSPAPERS

Rockyview News — printed in Calgary.
Capital — weekly, printed in Bowness.

27. COMMUNICATIONS

Canadian National Telegraph, Alberta Government Telephones, Post Office.

Nearest radio stations — Calgary — CFAC, CFCN, CKXL.
Nearest television station — Calgary — CHCT-TV.

28. FINANCIAL FACILITIES

Imperial Bank of Canada, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Forest Lawn Credit Union.

29. HOTELS

	No. of Rooms	Rates	Licensed
Forest Lawn	20	\$4.50 up	yes

30. TOURIST CAMPS

Vagabond Motel & Trailer Court — not graded.
Trans-Canada Motel — not graded.
Green Garden Motel & Trailer Court—10 three star, 6 two star.

31. CHURCHES

Anglican, Roman Catholic, United, Full Gospel, Salvation Army, Gospel Mission.

32. FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

Masonic Lodge, Knights of Columbus, Eastern Star.

33. SERVICE CLUBS

Chamber of Commerce, Lions, also a number of residents belong to service clubs in Calgary.

34. SOCIETIES AND ASSOCIATIONS

Home and School Association, Community Association.

35. EDUCATION

Public schools are in the Bow River School District No. 1059 and Separate Schools are in District No. 55. Grades 1 to 12 are taught in modern school buildings. There is a Public School and a Separate School district in the town. Extra curricular subjects such as Commercial Subjects, Home Economics, Art, French, Shop and Drama are taught. The public school population is made up as follows:

	Grades	No of Pupils	No. of Teachers
Elementary	1 to 6	1,256	47
Junior High	7 to 9	366	15
High	10 to 12	163	8

The separate school population is made up as follows:

	Grades	No of Pupils	No. of Teachers
Elementary	1 to 6	342	11
Junior High	7 to 9	75	3
High	10 to 12	25	1

36. THEATRES AND HALLS

	Capacity	Stage	Piano
Community Hall	400	yes	yes

37. CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

The Forest Lawn Community Library is sponsored by the town, government grant and membership fees. The library is open every Monday from 7 to 9 p.m. There are 2,263 volumes in the library.

School choir.

Drama at school.

38. YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Boys	Girls
Scouts	Guides
Cubs	Brownies
	Teen Town

39. SPORTS

Hockey, baseball, softball, basketball, badminton, golf (Calgary courses).

Facilities

Open air hockey and skating rink, sports field with baseball diamond, school playgrounds, covered curling rink with artificial ice under construction, bowling alley under construction, recreation centre in planning stage.

40. FAIRS

July 1st celebration.



Plentiful low cost rental housing is available.

41. HISTORIC SITES

Nil.

42. CO-OPERATIVES

Forest Lawn & District Credit Union.

43. INDUSTRY AND BUSINESS

Type of Industry or Business	Number of Establishments	Producer or Manufacturer	Wholesale	Retail	Type of Industry or Business	Number of Establishments	Producer or Manufacturer	Wholesale	Retail
Accountants	1	—	—	—	Hardware	2	—	—	2
Aluminum Windows and Doors	1	1	1	1	Heat Exchange and Pressure Vessels	1	1	1	—
Apartments (4 suites and over)	17	—	—	—	Hotels	1	—	—	—
Auctioneers	1	—	—	—	Implements (Farm)	1	—	—	1
Auto Body Repairs	3	3	—	3	Insurance & Real Estate	4	—	—	—
Bakeries	2	2	—	2	Jewellers	1	—	—	1
Banks	2	—	—	—	Junk Yards	2	—	—	—
Barbers	4	—	—	—	Lumber Yards	3	—	—	3
Barristers and Lawyers	2	—	—	—	Machine Shops	4	4	4	—
Beauty Parlors	4	—	—	—	Metal Spinning	1	1	1	—
Blacksmiths	1	1	—	1	Milk Distributors	6	—	6	6
Building Contractors	60	—	—	—	Oil Distributors	1	—	1	—
Butchers	1	—	—	1	Oil Refineries	1	1	1	—
Cartage Delivery	1	—	—	—	Painters & Decorators	2	—	—	—
Clothing (Men's)	1	—	—	1	Physio Therapy	1	—	—	—
Clothing (Women's)	2	—	—	2	Plumbers	1	—	—	—
Cold Storage Lockers	1	1	—	1	Prefab Steps (concrete)	2	2	2	—
Credit Unions	1	—	—	—	Propane Distributors	1	—	1	1
Dentists	1	—	—	—	Radio Repairs	1	—	—	—
Department Stores	4	—	—	4	Restaurants	5	—	—	—
Doctors, M.D.	2	—	—	—	Sash & Door	1	1	1	1
Drug Stores	3	—	—	3	Second Hand Stores	1	—	—	1
Dry Cleaners	1	1	—	1	Shoe Repairs	2	2	—	2
Electrical Appliances	3	—	—	3	Sign Writers	2	1	—	2
Electrical Contractors	2	—	—	—	Sporting Goods	1	—	—	1
Floor Coverings	1	—	—	1	Taxi	1	—	—	—
Florists	1	—	—	1	Tinsmiths	2	2	—	2
Garages and Service Stations	9	—	—	9	Tire Repairs	2	2	—	2
Groceries	3	—	—	3	Trailer Manufacturers	1	1	1	1
					Variety Stores	1	—	—	1
					Welding	4	4	—	4
					Woodworking	1	1	—	1

44. SITES

Excellent industrial sites with all facilities can be purchased from private owners at approximately \$6,000 per acre. Excellent residential lots can also be purchased from private owners.

45. INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The farmland adjacent to Forest Lawn is well adapted for the production of wheat and for many years wheat raising was practised extensively.

In recent years, however, there has been a definite shift to mixed farming with emphasis on beef cattle production and dairying. In 1956 the farms in the Municipal District of Rocky View No. 44 averaged 640 acres in size. The area per farm in wheat, oats and barley was 58, 48 and 66 acres respectively. The average number of the principal classes of livestock were: Cattle 63, hogs 15, and sheep 4. The census showed 82% of all farms in the district were electrified. The average farm maintained 1.3 tractors, 1 motor truck and .5 grain combines. The farmsteads are well equipped with labour saving conveniences.

The oil refinery started in 1939 and was closed shortly afterwards. It re-opened in 1958 and is producing. The Aluminum Door and Sash is working eight hours per day and supplying the needs of the town as well as supplying some of the Calgary market. A trailer manufacturer is working steady and finding a ready market for this commodity. Manufacturers of prefab concrete steps are finding a ready market in the town and in the City of Calgary. Coynco Products, who manufacture heat exchangers and pressure vessels, are supplying the whole province with this product.

46. TRADING AREA

- North — 2 miles.
- West — 1 mile.
- South — 2 miles.
- East — 15 miles.

47. POPULATION

- Trading area population, 1956 census — 4,980.
- Town population, 1956 census — 3,150.
- Town population, June 1959 — 8,500 estimate.



Fine apartment developments offer efficient housing.

