

of accommodation desired. A survey of April 1965, covering both old and new apartments, showed a range of rents from \$62 in Quebec City to \$108 in Toronto, and \$92 in Vancouver.

Need of Community Planning

More and more municipal governments have turned their attention to programmes of civic improvement, establishing new departments to direct these activities and employing town-planning specialists. The object has been to help solve the problems consequent on the rapid growth of cities into the suburbs and, at the same time, to re-invigorate the centres of the cities and rescue them from the effects of decay.

As a result, there is a marked shortage of trained personnel in the town-planning field. To help alleviate the situation, the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation has a continuing programme of scholarships and bursaries open to university students and graduates specializing in town planning and urban problems.

To stimulate good housing design and to encourage further research on urban planning, the CMHC supports the Community Planning Association of Canada, the Canadian Housing Design Council and the Canadian Council on Urban and Regional Research. These three groups, though separate in organization and aims, serve as a focal point for many private and university programmes being carried on in Canada. They also serve as a clearing-house for the exchange of information and research data.

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