

ment owned, expensive machinery for a few dollars. In many cases the equipment was already installed and located right at the purchaser's place of business. There are many places in Winnipeg today where some equipment still bears name plates indicating the machine was owned by the Department of National Defence. Although metal fabricators are not heavy users of hydro-electric power, compared to say, basic metal manufacturers, no doubt the very reasonable power available because of hydro developments in Manitoba would be a factor in the continued growth of this industry.

### Development of Specific Firms

Canadian Rogers Western Ltd. was founded in 1912 by E.G. Rogers and A.K. Rogers, his son, who has been with the firm since 1933, has built a reputation for being one of Canada's leading metal fabricators. Among the many products made by some 100 employees are metal components for institutional kitchens, agricultural products manufacturing, and construction equipment. Through another division headed by Cam Landreth, various agricultural products are manufactured, such as filter floors for barns and steel partitions and gates to be assembled into animal pens. This division of Canadian Rogers called CANRO markets its products throughout the northwestern United States as well as in Canada.

Pydee Engineering Company Ltd. has recently added another 4,400 square feet of space. Full time staff have increased from 15 to 25 and up to 50 during peak periods. Pydee has been fabricating custom equipment for manufacturers, saw mills, institutions and bakeries in Canada and the U.S.A. for over 28 years. As well as manufacturing a variety of custom work the firm also acts as distributors for hoisting equipment, tow carts, casters, and power conveyors. Installation and maintenance and adjustments is another service provided. Since it was founded in 1946 by C.E. Pydee, this firm has grown to a point where it expects over one million dollars sales volume in 1974.

Kipp Kelly Ltd., with about 60 years experience in Winnipeg, has gone from gross sales in 1913 of about \$75,000 to over five million. The company started out manufacturing milling machinery for the grain industry and now exports products for use by construction, feed milling, bakeries, other manufacturers and railroads.

Manitoba Bridge, from a modest beginning in the early 1900's at Logan Avenue and Arlington Street, has grown to the point where it can employ nearly 300 persons.