

NET PAYMENTS BY THE PENSIONS BRANCH OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS
AND NATIONAL HEALTH, FISCAL YEAR 1938—concluded.

Other Expenditures (Including Payment of Militia, Statute, and other Pensions, Trust Funds under Administration, Recoverable Expenditures, Returned Soldiers' Insurance, etc.)—

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| Militia pensions (statute)..... | \$ 1,445,028 |
| North West Rebellion and civil flying..... | 20,000 |
| Interest on trust funds..... | 4,040 |
| War service gratuities..... | 5,652 |
| Returned soldiers' insurance..... | 843,313 |
| Pensions under administration..... | 309,653 |
| Capital expenditures..... | 100,869 |
| Recoverable expenditures..... | 31,403 |
| Veterans' Assistance Commission..... | 264,716 |
| | \$ 3,575,174 |
| Total Expenditure apart from Cost of Administration..... | \$ 54,494,864 |

Cost of Administration—

Departmental—

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| Salaries..... | \$ 952,665 |
| General..... | 127,493 |
| | \$ 1,080,158 |
| Canadian Pension Commission..... | 488,584 |
| Veterans' Bureau..... | 181,824 |
| Pension Appeal Court..... | 70,840 |
| Comptroller of the Treasury..... | 431,061 |
| | \$ 2,252,467 |
| Total Expenditure..... | \$ 56,747,331 |

The total costs of administration under the Pensions Branch, *viz.*, \$2,252,467, shown above, include not only the costs of administering the services shown under "Expenditure" but also the costs of administering income (such as the collection of premiums on returned soldiers' insurance) and trust fund items, which amounted in the aggregate to \$3,651,142 in 1938.

The Canadian Pension Commission.—By c. 45 of the Statutes of 1933, the Board of Pension Commissioners for Canada and the Pension Tribunal ceased to exist; their duties were taken over by the Canadian Pension Commission, which was formed by the Act referred to, and the personnel of the Commission was increased from three to not less than eight nor more than twelve.

The Commission is responsible for the adjudication and awarding of pensions in respect of disabilities connected with military service and the awarding of pensions to the dependants of those who die. It operates under the authority of the Pension Act. The following table shows the number of pensions in force at the end of each of the fiscal years 1918 to 1938, together with the annual liability. The large increase in disability pensioners from 1930 to 1933, inclusive, was primarily due to the reinstatement on pension of those who had commuted their pensions from 1920 onwards. This restoration was under the authority of an amendment to the Pension Act in 1930.