

## Section 2.—The Canadian Army

**Command.**—The present system of Command of the Canadian Army in Canada provides for five military Commands with subordinate Areas as follows:—

- Western Command*—with Headquarters at Edmonton, Alta.  
British Columbia Area—with Headquarters at Vancouver.
- Prairie Command*—with Headquarters at Winnipeg, Man.  
Saskatchewan Area—with Headquarters at Regina.
- Central Command*—with Headquarters at Oakville, Ont.  
Western Ontario Area—with Headquarters at London.  
Eastern Ontario Area—with Headquarters at Kingston.
- Quebec Command*—with Headquarters at Montreal.  
Eastern Quebec Area—with Headquarters at Quebec.
- Eastern Command*—with Headquarters at Halifax, N.S.  
New Brunswick Area—with Headquarters at Fredericton.

The five Commands are charged with complete military responsibility, under Army Headquarters, for all matters affecting their Commands and the command and administration of all troops within their Command.

**Organization.**—There is but one Canadian Army which includes all the ground Forces of Canada. Service is on a voluntary basis.

The organization of the Army provides for six component parts as follows:—

*The Active Force.*—The Active Force is organized on the basis of an establishment of 25,000 all ranks, plus personnel employed on the Northwest Territories and Yukon Radio System and Northwest Highway System. The Active Force is available for General Service and comprises a Field Force, Coast and Anti-Aircraft Defence Units, Headquarters, Command and Area Staffs; training, intercommunication, administration, research and development staffs, units and establishments, officers and men permanently employed but not borne on any regimental establishment.

The conditions for enlistment in the Active Force provide for men who were on Active Service in the Army during the Second World War, if they meet the physical requirements, have an education of Grade VIII, or the equivalent, and are between 18 and 40 years of age. Young men are preferred. Men who were not on Active Service during the War may enlist if they meet the physical requirements, have an education of Grade X, or the equivalent, and are between 18 and 25 years of age. Men qualified in some particular trade may be accepted up to the age of 35 years.

*The Reserve Force.*—The Reserve Force provides the basis for the organization of a field force in the event of emergency with an establishment provision of, approximately, 180,000 all ranks employed on a part-time basis and subject to annual military training.

*The Supplementary Reserve.*—The Supplementary Reserve will contain units and lists of individuals required in the event of mobilization to complete the organization of the Army. Such personnel will not be subject to, yet not precluded from, annual military training.