

While the amount of any allowance payable is discretionary with the Board, the maximum permissive income from all sources (including War Veterans' Allowances) for a single veteran is \$490 per annum and \$980 for a married veteran or widower with dependent children. The basic allowance under the Act is \$30.41 and \$60.83 per month to single and married veterans, respectively, but the maximum permissive income from all sources remains as outlined above.

Provision has been made for (veterans' care) treatment for recipients of War Veterans' Allowances other than widows. Also, provision has been made for the continuation of an allowance on behalf of a child until the age of 21 years, for educational purposes. Applicants must have been domiciled in Canada for the three months immediately preceding date of commencement of allowance, and allowances are not payable outside the Dominion of Canada. Old Age Pension and War Veterans' Allowance or Widows' Allowance cannot be paid concurrently.

The basic allowances for widows are:—

- (1) \$365 per annum to a widow without dependent children.
- (2) \$730 per annum to a widow with dependent children.

The basic allowances for orphans are:—

- (1) \$365 per annum for one orphaned child.
- (2) \$648 per annum for two orphaned children.
- (3) \$730 per annum for more than two orphaned children.

The following exemptions from income are allowed:—

- (1) Single recipient: income from any source not exceeding \$125 per annum.
- (2) Married recipient: income from any source not exceeding \$250 per annum.

In addition, the following exemptions are provided for all groups of recipients where applicable:—

- (1) Casual earnings not exceeding \$125 in any year.
- (2) Unearned income not exceeding \$25 per annum.
- (3) Provincial or municipal relief or Mothers' Allowance paid on behalf of dependent children.
- (4) Any gratuity paid or credit grant under the War Service Grants Act, 1944.
- (5) Any sum payable under Sec. 26 of the Pension Act.
- (6) Any additional allowance paid under the Pension Act on account of any children.
- (7) Any pension or grant received by reason of a military decoration.
- (8) Any allowance payable under the Family Allowances Act, 1944.
- (9) Property in which the recipient resides is not taken into account providing its capital value does not exceed \$4,000.

Since the enactment of the Legislation to Mar. 31, 1946, a total of 43,327 awards have been made by the War Veterans' Allowance Board. Of these, 15,015 were discontinued because of death and other reasons, leaving 28,312 recipients representing an annual liability of \$12,010,349.

Section 5.—Rehabilitation of Veterans

The functions of the Administrative Division of the Rehabilitation Branch of the Department of Veterans Affairs are given at pp. 1065-1067 of the 1946 Year Book. In brief this Division is responsible for:—

- (1) Administration of out-of-work allowances.
- (2) Administration of allowances for veterans awaiting returns from private enterprise—business or farming—engaged in on their own account.
- (3) Administration of allowances available to veterans who are temporarily incapacitated.
- (4) Administration of the Unemployment Insurance contributions, payable for the period of service (or from June 30, 1941) on the completion of fifteen weeks in insurable employment after discharge.