

### Subsection 3.—National Employment Service

The National Employment Service is operated in conjunction with the Unemployment Insurance scheme. It is administered by the Commission through the employment and claims offices and supervised by the Federal Department of Labour. A description of the program is given in the Labour Chapter.

### Subsection 4.—Veterans' Programs

*Veterans' Unemployment Assistance.*—The Department of Veterans Affairs does not place veterans in employment, but works closely with the Department of Labour in connection with veterans' problems. Out-of-work benefits are authorized in certain cases as outlined in the Veterans Affairs Chapter.

*Veterans' Pensions.*—Canadian pension legislation arising out of the First and Second World Wars has been discussed in previous issues of the Year Book (see pp. 759-760 of the 1943-44 Year Book; pp. 1139-1143 of the 1947 Year Book and pp. 1146-1148 of the 1948-49 Year Book). In this edition the account is outlined in the Veterans Affairs Chapter.

*Veterans' Allowances.*—In addition to war pensions, allowances are paid to certain non-pensionable veterans at 60 years of age, or earlier if the veteran is permanently unemployable, or to eligible veterans who, having served in a theatre of actual war, are incapable and unlikely to become capable of maintaining themselves because of economic handicaps combined with disabilities. These allowances are outlined in the Veterans Affairs Chapter.

*Veterans' Welfare Services.*—Welfare and rehabilitation services for veterans, as administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs, are outlined in the Veterans Affairs Chapter.

### Subsection 5.—Prairie Farm Assistance

The Prairie Farm Assistance Act is administered by the Department of Agriculture and a description of the program is given in the Agriculture Chapter.

### Subsection 6.—Government Annuities\*

Under the Government Annuities Act (c. 7, R.S.C., 1927, amended by c. 33, 1931) passed in 1908, the Federal Government carries on a service to assist Canadians to make provision for old age. The Act is administered by the Minister of Labour.

A Canadian Government annuity is a fixed yearly income purchased from and paid by the Government of Canada. The annuity is payable in monthly instalments for life, or for life and guaranteed for a period of years. The minimum annuity is \$10 and the maximum \$1,200 a year. Annuity contracts may be deferred or immediate. Under deferred annuity contracts purchase is by periodic or single premiums. Immediate annuity contracts provide immediate income.

\* Revised by the Government Annuities Branch, Department of Labour.