

A high percentage of the women veterans have taken advantage of the provisions for training under the Veterans' Rehabilitation Act and up to Mar. 31, 1950, more than 13,650 approvals for training allowances were made. Also, up to the same date, 467 women veterans were settled under the Veterans' Land Act.

In their use of the re-establishment credit, women veterans have utilized more than 93 p.c. of the total amount approved for purposes directly connected with the home. To Mar. 31, 1950, a total of \$6,249,250 in re-establishment credits had been authorized for expenditure.

**Casualty Rehabilitation.**—The rehabilitation of veterans with physical disabilities is a process that commences at the time a disabling condition is diagnosed. The objective of this rehabilitation is the return of the disabled veteran to the best possible physical, mental, social, economic, and vocational adjustment and usefulness of which he is capable. This definition sets not only the standards to be attained, but also indicates the type of problem encountered most frequently.

The Casualty Welfare Division, the function of which is to provide vocational guidance, assistance in securing suitable employment and vocational after-care, maintains a register of all those veterans whose disabilities in relation to other factors, such as education, previous employment experience, and personality, constitute a serious problem in occupational adjustment.

There were, up to Mar. 31, 1950, 34,946 registrations with this Division of which 11,196 were still active cases. The registration according to the type of disability is shown in the following statement:—

<i>Type of Disability</i>	<i>Active Cases</i>		<i>Closed Cases</i>	<i>Total</i>
	<i>No.</i>	<i>No.</i>		
Amputation.....	402	1,726		2,128
Other muscular and skeleton system disabilities....	2,915	8,379		11,294
Total and partial loss of hearing or sight.....	601	1,862		2,463
Neurological cases.....	395	836		1,231
Heart and vascular system.....	736	2,482		3,218
Respiratory disabilities.....	4,594	5,035		9,629
Mental and emotional disabilities.....	427	488		915
Unclassified.....	1,126	2,942		4,068
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>11,196</b>	<b>23,750</b>		<b>34,946</b>

Among the national agencies with which the Department is in continuous liaison in connection with casualty welfare are: the Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans Association; the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L.; the Canadian National Institute for the Blind; the Canadian Paraplegic Association; the Canadian Red Cross Society; the Canadian Tuberculosis Association; the National Society for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing; and War Amputations of Canada.

During the fiscal year ended Mar. 31, 1950, the total number of registrants increased by about 2,000 cases but the number of active cases decreased by approximately 2,260 cases. Progress in the rehabilitation of the cases between Mar. 31, 1949, and Mar. 31, 1950, was as follows:—

<i>Status</i>	<i>Mar. 31, 1949</i>		<i>Mar. 31, 1950</i>	
	<i>No.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>No.</i>
Employed.....	24,478		26,826	
Unemployed.....	1,592		1,466	
Receiving treatment, training or other services.....	5,551		5,032	
Rehabilitation not feasible.....	997		1,342	
Unknown.....	332		280	
<b>TOTALS.....</b>	<b>32,950</b>		<b>34,946</b>	