

The Regular Officer Training Plan (ROTP).—The object of the Regular Officer Training Plan is to train selected high-school and university students for regular commissions in a branch of the active forces. Students are enrolled as officer cadets and subsidized at one of the Canadian Services Colleges or at a university for a period not exceeding four years. An additional year is provided for students who take the preparatory year at the Collège Royal Militaire de Saint-Jean. Practical training is given during the summer months.

Total Strength and Rates of Pay and Allowances.—The strengths of the active forces of the three Services have continued to increase to keep pace with defence objectives and commitments. At June 30, 1954, the total active force strength was 113,958 composed of: Navy, 17,251; Army, 49,851; and Air Force, 46,856. The strength of the reserve elements of the three Services was 56,421.

The entire pay structure for comparable ranks in the different Services is on a uniform basis. Monthly rates for pay and allowances are given in Table 1.