

**Apprenticeship Training.**—Apprenticeship agreements covering a ten-year period commencing Apr. 1, 1944, were signed by all provinces except Quebec and Prince Edward Island. Newfoundland signed an agreement in 1950 for the remainder of the 1944-54 period. These agreements have been renewed for a further ten-year period expiring on Mar. 31, 1964. They provide for sharing, on a 50-50 basis, in provincial government expenditures on the training of indentured apprentices who are registered with the provincial Departments of Labour under the provisions of the apprenticeship Act of each province. Training is provided on the job and in specially organized classes which may be conducted on a full-time basis during the day or as part-time day or evening classes. As of Mar. 31, 1958, a total of 17,534 apprentices was registered. Federal Government expenditures for this purpose for the year ended Mar. 31, 1958, were as follows:—

<u>Province</u>	<u>Payment</u>	<u>Province</u>	<u>Payment</u>
	\$		\$
Newfoundland.....	45,535	Saskatchewan.....	120,950
Nova Scotia.....	77,897	Alberta.....	355,052
New Brunswick.....	60,838	British Columbia.....	273,934
Ontario.....	308,175	Northwest Territories.....	363
Manitoba.....	91,004		
		<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>1,331,748*</b>

\* Does not include sales tax amounting to \$2,144.

**Special Vocational Training Projects.**—Agreements that provide for sharing with the provinces the costs of various types of training projects, other than those regularly conducted in schools assisted under the provisions of the Vocational and Technical Training Agreement No. 2, have been in operation since 1939. These agreements were consolidated in 1948 and expired in 1954; they have been renewed for a further five-year period, except that the provision for sharing the costs of financial assistance to university students and nurses-in-training is subject to renewal on a year-to-year basis. The conditions governing financial assistance to the various types of projects are set forth in schedules attached to and forming part of each agreement. These schedules cover special training classes for members of the Armed Forces, the costs of which are borne entirely by the Federal Government; training programs on an individual or class basis for veterans of the Armed Forces for which the provinces are reimbursed 100 p.c.; and special training programs for employees of Federal Government departments, the full cost of which is also borne by the federal treasury. In addition the costs of the following types of classes are shared equally by the federal and provincial governments: training for unemployed persons who require such training to fit them for available employment; rehabilitation training for disabled persons; short-term classes for young people in rural communities; and training programs for supervisors in industrial establishments. Total expenditure from the federal treasury under these vocational training agreements for the year ended Mar. 31, 1958, was \$1,029,425.

**Correspondence Courses.**—Under the provisions of the Vocational Correspondence Courses Agreement, the Federal Government shares equally with the provincial governments in the costs of printing and preparing correspondence courses. These courses, of which there are approximately 100, must be approved by a committee consisting of the provincial officials in charge of correspondence instruction. They are made available to students anywhere in Canada on the same terms as for students in the province where the course has been prepared. The sum of \$125,000 was appropriated in 1950 to provide for such expenditures during a five-year period. Payments are made to the provinces only on completion of approved courses, and the term of the agreements has been extended to Mar. 31, 1959, to take care of incompleted courses and needed revisions.