

Department of Citizenship and Immigration for physically and socially handicapped Indians, and by the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources for the resettlement of Eskimos suffering from disability.

In the year ended Mar. 31, 1959, federal-provincial expenditures, shared under the Co-ordination of Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Agreements administered by the Department of Labour, increased to \$195,000. The cost of support of 1,174 disabled persons reported as rehabilitated was \$1,232,000 during the year prior to acceptance as compared with estimated annual earnings of \$2,219,300 after placement in jobs. The total vocational training expenditures under the Special Vocational Training Projects Agreements, also a matching grant administered by the Department of Labour, increased to \$533,000 for the training of 1,251 individuals enrolled in a wide range of vocational courses. The number of special placements of handicapped persons who required assistance in finding work decreased to 14,845.

Expenditures on projects under the Medical Rehabilitation Grant and Crippled Children Grant (a portion of these funds being on a matching basis) amounted to \$1,104,840 of the \$1,500,000 available from federal funds in the year ended Mar. 31, 1959. Through the 75 projects approved under these grants, equipment was provided for 35 hospitals and rehabilitation centres, and support was given for the extension of services by 12 rehabilitation centres, 10 hospital centres and clinics, 17 cerebral palsy training centres, six crippled children's services, and by seven of the provincial programs. Other projects supported the full-time professional training of 47 rehabilitation personnel with additional bursaries for short courses, and also the operation of three university schools of physical, occupational and speech therapy.

### Subsection 3.—Health Services in the Yukon and Northwest Territories

Health services in the two Territories are operated under conditions considerably different from those in the provinces. Extensive sparsely settled areas, climatic conditions, lack of local government and direct federal administration constitute a basic set of conditions under which health services for both native and white populations, outside the few settled areas, are provided by government agencies or religious organizations. The Yukon Territorial Government, the Northwest Territories Council, the Directorate of Indian and Northern Health Services of the Department of National Health and Welfare, the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources and the Department of National Defence are all concerned with the provision of services.

Complete health services are supplied to Indians and Eskimos by Indian and Northern Health Services. Particular emphasis is given to tuberculosis, and mass X-ray programs are carried out annually. The Eastern Arctic is served by the annual Eastern Arctic Patrol as well as by medical health officers. In the Western Arctic, medical officers and nursing stations are located at strategic points and a travelling dentist is employed. Persons who cannot be cared for locally are transferred to federal hospitals in the provinces.

In the Yukon Territory, services for the white population are administered through the Commissioner for the Yukon and include complete treatment for tuberculosis and poliomyelitis patients and hospital care for indigent residents. Public health services include communicable disease control, public health nursing, sanitary inspection and tuberculosis case-finding.

The Northwest Territories in March 1960 concluded an agreement with the Federal Government concerning hospital insurance to become effective on Apr. 1, 1960. Health programs for the white population include treatment for tuberculosis and venereal disease as well as dental care for children under 17 years of age and hospital care for the mentally ill. Cancer diagnosis is provided through the Edmonton Clinic. Indigent residents are eligible for medical, dental and optical services as well as for general hospital care.