

Financial help was given to 698 nurses-in-training and to 3,965 students at universities. Included in the total number of university students were 1,056 taking courses in medicine and veterinary medicine, 89 in dentistry, 916 in applied science and engineering, 147 in agriculture and 707 in arts and science. Total federal payments in the past 14 years, amounting to \$2,663,069, have assisted 31,337 students.

Apprenticeship Training.—Apprenticeship agreements are in effect with all provinces except Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and Quebec. Of the trades designated under the provincial Acts, emphasis is being given to the building and construction trades. In some provinces, certain categories of apprentices are given full-time training of a practical as well as a technical nature for a period of one to three months each year. For other categories, part-time training is given either in afternoon or evening classes for about seven months of the year. Provision is made with employers for adequate supervision of apprentices working on the job by the appointment of instructor-supervisors who instruct full-time classes for six to eight months and supervise for the remaining part of the year. Use is also made of trade advisory committees. Costs are shared equally by the province concerned and the Federal Government. At Mar. 31, 1953, the total number of apprentices registered was 11,746 in the seven provinces having agreements with the Federal Government.

Federal Government allotments made for the year ended Mar. 31, 1953, and claims paid (including commitments from previous years) to Apr. 30, 1953, to the different provinces, were as follows:—

<i>Province</i>	<i>Allotment</i>	<i>Payment</i>	<i>Province</i>	<i>Allotment</i>	<i>Payment</i>
	\$	\$		\$	\$
Nova Scotia.....	39,500	24,133	Saskatchewan.....	64,000	58,496
New Brunswick.....	40,000	44,064	Alberta.....	317,600	316,077
Ontario.....	290,000	248,079	British Columbia.....	33,500	37,515
Manitoba.....	62,500	46,338			
			TOTALS.....	847,100	774,702

Assistance for Vocational Schools.—A ten-year agreement for vocational school assistance was signed in 1945 by nine provinces and, in 1950, an agreement was made with Newfoundland. The following payments are made by the Federal Government:—

- (1) An annual grant of \$10,000 to each province;
- (2) an annual allotment of \$1,965,800 distributed among the ten provinces in accordance with the number of young persons in each province in the age-group 15-19 years;
- (3) a special allotment of \$10,292,250 to be used for capital expenditure for building and equipment and to be distributed among the provinces on the same basis as the annual allotment.

All federal allotments, except the annual grant under item (1), must be matched by an expenditure of equal amount by the provincial government concerned.