

**2.—Re-establishment Credits Paid by Required Purpose, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1954 and 1955 with Cumulative Totals to Mar. 31, 1955**

Purpose	1954	1955	Cumulative Total to Mar. 31, 1955
	\$	\$	\$
<b>Homes</b> .....	<b>4,939,776</b>	<b>3,903,810</b>	<b>234,044,733</b>
Purchased under National Housing Act.....	50,147	34,300	3,279,884
Purchased other than under National Housing Act.....	383,337	267,883	32,072,388
Repairs, etc.....	329,284	289,412	16,221,114
Furniture and equipment.....	4,116,749	3,277,775	178,062,919
Reduction of mortgage.....	60,259	34,440	4,408,428
<b>Business</b> .....	<b>1,002,307</b>	<b>674,056</b>	<b>54,095,629</b>
Purchase of a business ..	14,123	8,349	3,663,363
Working capital.....	381,256	322,741	24,829,844
Tools and equipment.....	606,928	542,966	25,602,422
<b>Miscellaneous</b> .....	<b>383,863</b>	<b>435,719</b>	<b>8,983,449</b>
Insurance, annuities, etc.....	324,522	377,443	8,210,493
Special equipment for training.....	33,549	31,296	673,363
Clothing.....	25,792	26,980	99,593
<b>Totals</b> .....	<b>6,325,946</b>	<b>5,213,585</b>	<b>297,123,811</b>

**Casualty Rehabilitation.**—The casualty rehabilitation program of the Department of Veterans Affairs was inaugurated for the purpose of successfully re-establishing disabled veterans in civil life. To carry out this program each disabled veteran must be placed in a job which his remaining abilities enable him to perform, at least as efficiently as the same duties would be performed by a non-disabled employee.

To carry out its function the Casualty Welfare Division places particular emphasis on vocational guidance and training, job selection (matching worker abilities to job requirements) and vocational follow-up. Specially trained casualty welfare officers are employed in Departmental hospitals and in the District Offices to counsel disabled veterans, to assist and direct their placement in gainful employment and to provide welfare aftercare service when required.

The most important fact in the satisfactory placement of a disabled person is the person himself. Most of the veterans who have been assisted in obtaining employment by the Division have proven to be competent, efficient employees and have justified the confidence placed in them by their employers. The work of the Division is greatly facilitated by the cordial co-operation it receives from business and industry, all levels of government, community agencies, veterans associations, organizations of disabled persons and others.

Up to Mar. 31, 1955 there were 40,669 registrations with this Division, of which 5,675 were still active cases. These registrations, according to type of disability, are shown in the following statement:—

Type of Disability	Active Cases	Closed Cases
	No.	No.
Amputation.....	218	2,138
Neuro-muscular and skeletal system disabilities.....	1,334	11,256
Total and partial loss of hearing or sight .....	300	2,700
Neurological cases.....	291	1,289
Head and vascular system.....	312	3,446
Respiratory disabilities.....	2,333	8,799
Mental and emotional disabilities .....	266	827
Unclassified.....	621	4,539
<b>TOTALS</b> .....	<b>5,675</b>	<b>34,994</b>