

EMPLOYMENT (Cont'd.)

Workshops of the Signals Inspection and Test Department. In addition, this Department carries out the inspection and test of all Electrical Equipment purchased by the Department of National Defence and the repair of all Signal equipment for the Canadian Militia.

It is anticipated that the importance of this Branch of The R.C.O.S. will be greatly increased, due to the increase in the number of radio stations which we are being called upon to operate.

In each Military District a District Signal Officer is appointed. This Officer, assisted by one or more Assistant Instructors from the Instructional Cadre of the District, supervises all Signal Training within the District and conducts provisional schools, throughout the training period, at the local Headquarters of the Militia Units.

The Royal Canadian Corps of Signals has been entrusted with the work of designing, building, installing, and operating all radio stations for both the Royal Canadian Air Force and the North West Territories Branch of the Department of the Interior. The R.C.A.F. stations are employed mainly in connection with forest patrols, and the work involves communication both on the ground and between aircraft in flight and the base stations. The Department of the Interior are maintaining a commercial radio service between Edmonton and points in the Yukon and the Mackenzie Basin. This service is being gradually expanded and will eventually provide all communication for both the Yukon and the North West Territories. Six stations are already in operation and additional ones will be installed during the coming summer.

The experimental work construction, operation and maintenance of the stations on these two systems provides that practical training for Officers and Other Ranks of the Corps which is so essential for the building up of an efficient Corps of Radio Experts and Instructors for the Canadian Militia.