

1933-34.....	\$2,422,000
34-35.....	2,222,000
35-36.....	2,395,000
36-37.....	4,853,000
37-38.....	4,485,000
38-39.....	6,639,000

It will be seen from these figures that, although they increased year by year, the scope of the R.C.N. at the beginning of the war was most limited.

The entire cost of the Navy in 1939, just before the outbreak of war, was less than half the cost of the Harbour Bridge, Montreal. Still, the Naval staff made such preparations as they could for the battle whose coming appeared more plain before them each day.