

Canadian Official Photograph

Canadian Engineers trying to stop the fires spreading at St. Quentin, which were started by the Germans before they left the town.

War Service Gratuities.

Scale of Rates.

The policy adopted by the Canadian Government with reference to the amount to be paid all ranks of the Canadian Forces on discharge, is now announced.

The scheme adopted authorises the grant of a "War Service Gratuity" in place of what hitherto has been termed "Post Discharge Pay." The amount is graduated up to six months pay and allowances, exclusive of subsistence allowance, allowance in lieu of rations and quarters, and messing allowance, and is determined according to length and nature of service.

SERVICE OVERSEAS.

For service overseas the following regulations apply:
All ranks who have served at any time overseas—
which means on the strength for pay and allowance of
some recognised overseas establishment—who were on
active service at the date of the Armistice, the gratuity
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For three years' service or over.—183 days' pay and allowances.

For two years' service and under three years.—153 days' pay and allowances.

For one year's service and under two years.—122 days' pay and allowances.

For less than one year.—92 days' pay and allowances.

If 31 days' pay and allowances is less than \$100 where separation allowance is issuable, then \$100 will be paid in place of every payment of one month's pay and allowances.

If 31 days' pay and allowances is less than \$70 in the case of a man without dependants eligible to receive separation allowance, \$70 will be paid in place of every payment of one month's pay and allowances.

For those who served at the Front in any actual theatre of war, and were discharged prior to the adoption of this gratuity scheme, its provisions are made retro-active to the beginning of the war.