

of National Defence will advise this department of the number of men it wishes to call up for training at any one time.

All training of classes called up is to be completed within a year, and it is the intention to make eight calls within the year and to space these calls equally as nearly as possible.

As soon as the national registration is over, the registrar for each constituency will indicate to the Department of National War Services the number of single men in each of the age groups in the electoral district over which he is registrar, and thus we shall know at once the number of single men in each group between 19 and 45 in Canada.

The Department of National Defence, with this information, will advise the Department of National War Services as soon as possible after this information is available, as to the number of men it wants called up on the first call.

As soon as possible after it is ascertained what year classes will have to be called to meet the first demand of the Department of National Defence, a proclamation will be issued, warning all persons within such classes, commencing with the 21-year-old class, that they will be called for service within a certain designated time.

This will be done to give them a chance of arranging their own affairs.

Every single person, male, who is medically fit, between the ages of 21 and 45, in Canada, may be compelled to take military training within one year.

It is possible that the requirements of the Department of National Defence will be satisfied by the calling up of single men from 21 to 35, and it may not have to go beyond this in the first year.

This factor depends on the result of the national registration and the number of men the Department of National Defence can train within the year. The only exceptions not subject to call will be as follows:

(a) Judges of superior, district or county courts of justice;

(b) Regular clergymen or ministers of religious denominations, members of the clergy or religious orders;

(c) Members of the naval, military, or air forces of Canada on active service;

(d) Those who, in the opinion of the Minister of National Defence, have already received military training, within the previous twelve months, at least equivalent to that to be given to men being called up under these regulations;

(e) Members of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police or provincial police forces;

(f) Members of the police forces and fire brigades permanently employed in any incorporated city;

(g) Wardens and officers of all penitentiaries, prisons, and lunatic asylums or mental hospitals.

Under an Order in Council passed in 1873, certain privileges with respect to military service were given to a sect of persons known as Mennonites, and under Order in Council passed in 1898 certain privileges with respect to military service were granted to the sect known as Dukhobors.

It is the intention of the Government to recognize these Orders in Council, and a method of dealing with the individuals who feel they are entitled to the benefits of these Orders in Council will be worked out and duly announced.

Every employer of labour in the district, under the jurisdiction of the board, shall be required forthwith to furnish the board with a list of all single male employees between the ages of 21 and 45.

Any industry shall be entitled to submit a plan to the district registrar for the calling up for military training, within the said period of one year, of its single male employees from the ages of 21 to 45.

The plan so submitted must provide for the training of all their employees within the year, but can be adjusted by the industries in such a way as to enable all to be trained within the year in a manner which will interfere in the least possible way with the conduct of the business of the industry. The men subject to call from any industry shall be divided into equal groups, so that the same number of men will come up for training on each call.

The district registrar, on receiving this, shall submit it to the board, and the board shall fix a date for hearing, and shall hear a representative of the industry submit the plan, and the board will have the right to either approve, reject or vary the plan.

That is one of the two functions of the boards.

After it is approved, either in the form submitted, or as varied, then the men therein listed shall be called as therein provided.

Now I come to the boards' second function. It will be seen they are to deal with groups only.

The Department of National War Services will submit to the board in each military district a list of the main seasonal industries within the jurisdiction of such board, and the periods during which it is inadvisable to call men for training from such industries, and it shall be the duty of the board so to adjust the call of men within its jurisdiction as to interfere as little as possible with the conduct of such seasonal industry.

The board will also have the right, in the case of a student at a recognized college or university, to postpone his call until the end of the scholastic year, provided the college or university has a system of compulsory military training in effect in the institution.

The Department of National War Services will be charged with the responsibility of having all men called up for training medically examined, and will arrange for qualified medical men to be located at points throughout the district, under the jurisdiction of the board, convenient to those to be called.

All men called up will have to pass the same type of examination as they would have to pass if they were volunteering for service in the non-permanent militia.

The medical examiners will place all persons examined in their proper medical categories in accordance with the practice of the Department of National Defence. It is intended to call up all men in the category of C-1 and above that, in the classes from time to time called.

After each call is made, the person to be called up will receive a notice in writing telling him where to submit to his medical examination, and where to go for his period of military training.