

Regarding provision for those handicapped by age or infirmity, I wish simply to point out that the maximum amount of pension for old age and blindness was increased in 1943, and that in 1944 the maximum total income which a pension[✓] could receive from all sources was likewise increased.

Another measure which indirectly affects all workers through maintaining buying power and easing the transition from a wartime economy and which affects directly all those with sons, brothers, comrades in the armed forces is the War Service Grants Act. This provides (1) for a cash gratuity to every member of the armed forces for general service; and (2) for a re-establishment credit which will fill in the gaps in the re-establishment programme.

I am proud to say that this provision is the most comprehensive any country has ever made. "With the War Service Grants Act crowning the measures previously enacted, Canada leads the world."