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# HARVEST LEAVE FOR SOLDIERS

## Men Who Can Be Spared to Be Given Four Weeks

### NO ALLOWANCES

Ottawa, July 15 (CP).—Canadian soldiers who can be spared from their duties without damage to their unit or their own training will be granted limited leave to assist harvest operations this year, National Defense Headquarters said tonight.

The leave will not exceed four weeks, and may be cancelled at any time. The regulation covering such leave provides that the limited number to whom it is granted must be personnel not engaged on active duty or receiving some important training.

Applications will be made by the soldier to his commanding officer, and approval from the general officer commanding the district or other administrative unit will be required.

The policy, which is general for Canada, and is similar to that followed last year, applies only to those experienced in farm work, defense headquarters said. A basic provision is that the granting of leave to men to do harvest work must not leave their establishment "seriously depleted."

When a man goes on harvest leave he will have no travelling allowances, pay, or other assistance, and during the period of the leave will lose the benefits of hospitalization, dental or medical care, together with allowances which would be granted in event of injury in the service.

A shortage of farm labor has been reported in various parts of Canada, and it was anticipated many requests for leave would be presented.

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