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HONORARY ADVISORY COUNCIL
FOR
SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH.

(B. Sent to Physicists and Engineering Physicists in Ontario.)

Dear Sir:-

You will see from the enclosed letter that I have been designated as Chairman of the Ontario division of the Associate Committee of Physics and Engineering Physics of the National Research Council of Canada, and in this capacity have been asked to invite you to submit a list of problems in Physics and Engineering Physics the investigation of which in your opinion would probably be of intrinsic merit or of economic value to Canada.

I have been asked to state that what we have in mind is not investigations that Universities, Institutions or Organizations other than the Research Council should fully support and finance, but only those that you think we should be justified in asking the Research Council to support financially in whole or in part.

We are anxious so to organize the activities of the Associate Committee that we shall make sure that we are not overlooking problems or classes of problems that should be investigated at once. Besides we are anxious, too, to encourage workers in Physics and Engineering Physics who possess research capabilities to use their qualifications effectively on problems the investigation of which would command the support of scientific opinion in the Dominion, especially that of Physicists and Engineering Physicists.

Will you kindly oblige me by sending in your list of problems with any suggestions anent them before December 25th next.

We propose to hold a meeting of the Chairmen of the different Divisions of Canada or of the members of the Associate Committee early in January, and the Chairman of each Division has been asked to draw up a preliminary report on all the replies he receives from his Division for consideration at this meeting. In order to help me in drawing up my preliminary Report to the Meeting of the Divisional Chairmen I hope to call a meeting of all those I am inviting to send in problems. At this meeting we can discuss the situation and perhaps clarify our views regarding the suitability for our purposes of the problems suggested. But please do not delay in sending in your problems and suggestions as soon as possible.

The Associate Committee on Physics and Engineering Physics hope in this way to be able to make a series of recommendations to the National Research Council before the end of January that will be of considerable use to that body in formulating a progressive and vigorous policy for encouraging and stimulating the investigation of problems in Physics and Engineering Physics that will give promise of valuable results.

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

Chairman Ontario Division of Associate
Committee of Physics and Engineering
Physics of the National Research Council.