

Reports of Provincial Bodies.

ALBERTA.

Following is the report from Alberta:—
Mr. A. E. Howes, Secretary of the Food Control Committee, says:

"We are distributing pledge cards and bulletins as rapidly as they are received. A circular letter has been sent to leading men and women throughout the province, asking for their co-operation. We have splendid prospects in the existing organization for an effective educational campaign for elimination of waste and the conservation of food."

In an earlier letter Mr. Howes states that Dr. Rutherford addressed the Alberta Union of Municipalities at their annual convention recently on the question of food conservation. The Committee has decided against the use of window cards in connection with the food pledge campaign, for the reason that practically all residences in Alberta cities and towns are built back from the thoroughfares, so that the window cards would not serve the purpose for which they are intended.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The Provincial Committee was organized on September 5. Sub-committees on "Production and Control," on "Education in Conservation," and a special committee on fruit and vegetables were appointed. Other sub-committees were appointed to investigate the possibility of securing cheaper whole wheat flour, to investigate reported waste in cold storage, to secure data on the amount and kinds of grain used in the manufacture of liquor, and to report on local milk problems. The organization is planned and partly under way for educational work. Women's Institutes will be used in rural districts and in the smaller towns. The mayors and reeves are being asked to organize where no Institute branch exists. The Fruit and Vegetable Committee reports a marked shrinkage in the potato crop. A recommendation is being forwarded on the question of price control. The advertising campaign is favoured by the committee in connection with its work. The matter is being presented to the Government for action. Headquarters of the British Columbia Committee are located in the University of British Columbia, Vancouver.

MANITOBA.

Following is the report from Manitoba:—
"An Organization Committee for the Province was formed on August 17, and seven meetings have been held to date with Mr. G. W. Allan as Convener and Prof. J. B. Reynolds as Secretary pro tem. Mr. A. Bright was nominated as the Manitoba representative on the Fruit and Vegetable Committee of the Food Controller's Office. A Committee of seven, with headquarters at the Manitoba Agricultural College, has been appointed, while a City Committee, also of seven members, has been formed and has opened offices in the City Hall at Winnipeg. The campaign is ready for the provincial work. A conference was held at Winnipeg, and a list of speakers has been arranged for the country, meetings to be held under the auspices of the Home Economy Society."

NEW BRUNSWICK.

Mr. W. C. Keirstead, Secretary of the New Brunswick Committee, telegraphs: "We are arranging an advertising campaign, circularizing the clergy and teachers of the province, addressing Rotary Clubs, Boards of Trade, the Women's Annual Institute, the Teachers' County associations, religious conventions, ministers' and city associations. Cards and bulletins are to be distributed by the Housewives' Leagues, Women's Institutes, and Daughters of the Empire through special committees of these bodies, and through the rural public schools. Headquarters for our provincial organization have been established in the post office at Fredericton."

NOVA SCOTIA.

From Mr. Arthur Barnstead, Organizing Secretary of the Nova Scotia Committee, comes the following report:

"The Provincial Committee on Food Resources was appointed at a public meeting in Halifax on August 29th. At the Provincial Exhibition and at local fairs advertising matter has been distributed urging food conservation and posters have been displayed for public information. Active organization work and the signing of the food pledge cards is awaiting certain arrangements with regard to advertising."