

OFFICERS PLAN REUNION HERE

Expect 400 or 500 in Saint John for Armistice Day

Local Committee Arranging for Big Get-Together of Maritime Officers.

Among the outstanding events which are being planned for Armistice Day celebration this year will be a reunion dinner of all the officers of the Maritime Provinces who served overseas during the war, as well as other ranks who saw active service and are now commissioned in the Canadian militia. Preliminary arrangements were made last evening at a meeting held in the office of Norman P. MacLeod, in the post office building.

The event will take place on the evening of Armistice Day in the Admiral Beatty Hotel and a committee now has the arrangements well under way. It is anticipated that between 400 and 500 officers from all parts of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island will be in attendance. It is the aim of the committee to have as guests of honor prominent Canadians who held high rank in the Canadian corps during the European war, and already some invitations have been sent out, but no announcements will be made until acceptances have been received.

COMMITTEES.

The committee having the arrangements in hand consists of: John Gale, general chairman; Norman P. MacLeod, vice-chairman; E. C. Armstrong, secretary. Sub-committees appointed include: Catering, Mr. MacLeod, chairman; E. J. Cronin and A. G. Raimie; publicity, F. J. Nisbet, chairman; F. X. Jennings, W. J. Ryan and Atwood Bridges; tickets, G. G. Anglin.

In order to ensure a representative attendance from all parts of the three provinces and from all branches of the service, arrangements are being made to have committees men appointed in all the principal centres in the Maritimes. According to the present plans, the proposed celebration promises to be one of the largest events of its kind held in the lower provinces since the close of the war.

Patenaude and King Meetings Arranged

MONTREAL, Oct. 16.—Montreal will have two of the largest indoor political meetings in its history next week, when Right Hon. Mr. Mackenzie King speaks at the Forum on Monday evening, and Hon. E. L. Patenaude, Provincial Conservative leader, appears at the Mount Royal Arena on Friday evening.

Each leader will be surrounded on the platform by his respective supporters, including the candidates in the Montreal district. It is anticipated that a record crowd will flock to both meetings.

LARGE GOLD SALE BARED.

LONDON, Oct. 16.—The Bank of England today announced the largest day's sale of gold bars in many months, a total of 21,961,000. London bullion brokers expressed the belief that the bulk of this amount was bought for shipment to the United States.

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MORE HYDRO ENERGY EXPECTED SOON IN MARITIME PROVINCES

Of 550,000 Horse Power so Far Discovered in Seaboard Section 111,000 Has Been Developed—Existing Plants Detailed

Since the days of the early settlers, water power has held an important place in the lives of the inhabitants of the Maritime Provinces of Canada, says a recent article in The Gazette, Montreal, which continues as follows: Of the innumerable rivers and small streams nearly all have been the scene at one time or another of small saw-mills or grist mills meeting local needs, with here and there one more pretentious supplying lumber for export trade. The great number of small mills in existence even at the present time is a feature of the country.

Until quite recently, however, water power has been chiefly of local interest only, but by 1914, public interest in the subject resulted in a request to the Dominion Water Power Branch to extend its investigatory work into Nova Scotia. Since then, with subsequent extensions to New Brunswick, investigatory work has been continuing, carried on by the branch of the Department of the Interior in co-operation with local authorities.

550,000 H. P. DISCOVERED.

To those who thought the water power resources of these provinces negligible, the results have been surprising. Available power to the extent of 550,000 horse power has so far been investigated in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and the list is constantly growing.

As a result of information made available by these investigations, public interest was stimulated, legislation was passed and government bodies formed in both New Brunswick and Nova Scotia with power to develop or otherwise acquire electric energy for sale to municipalities or others desiring it.

DEVELOPED 34,000 H. P.

The Nova Scotia Power Commission was created in 1919, and the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission the following year. Since then modern hydro-electric developments with a total installed capacity of 34,000 horse power have been developed by these bodies, all of which is in actual use. At present further projects are planned in both provinces. The most important is at Grand Falls in New Brunswick, the largest individual power site in the Maritime Provinces. Plans for new developments and extensions are active in Nova Scotia also, such as extensions to the St. Margaret's Bay and Sheet Harbour systems. Studies are in hand for new developments on the St. Croix River, Bear River, Liscomb River and Mersey River taken over on the last named river taken over as a whole constitute a concentrated source of power comparable with that at Grand Falls on the Saint John River in New Brunswick.

TOTAL DEVELOPMENT 110,900. The total water power development in the three provinces at February, 1925, was estimated by the Dominion Water Power and Reclamation Service at 110,900 horse power, of which 44,600 was in New Brunswick, 64,000 in Nova Scotia, and 2,375 in Prince Edward Island. For the total population of over a million the power development amounts to 100 horse power per thousand of population as compared with 527 in Quebec and 518 in Ontario. Excepting Prince Edward Island, where the power sites are small and water power in the Maritime Provinces as compared with some of the other provinces is not due to lack of water power resources. That is evident from the figures of available power on the files of the Dominion Water Power and Reclamation Service. It is quite probable that an abundance of coal has been the principal deterrent factor. But with the rising costs of coal and a knowledge of the resources available, has come a decided increase in water power construction. In fact, the utilization of hydro-electric power for the operation of coal mines is in contemplation of industries based on hydro-electric power has tended to stimulate coal consumption.

GROWTH EXPECTED.

There is little doubt that the figures just given for the developed power in 1925, will be greatly exceeded in a short time. In both Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, the plans are toward a transmission system between industrial centres to which generating stations that an ample supply of potential energy will be available for any of the industries or manufacturing activities for which this district by reason of its abundant raw material and unexcelled shipping facilities, is peculiarly adapted.

At the present time, a large amount of raw material is shipped out in its natural state for manufacture in other parts of the world, but already with the certainty of ample power being available, there are concrete evidences of a tendency to manufacture within the Maritime Provinces, where raw material is abundant, labor conditions are good, and shipping facilities excellent.

SUPPLIES HALIFAX.

The developments at Sheet Harbor and St. Margaret's Bay, are examples of the type of development on the ordinary small river and of the amount of power available from small drainage basins in this district. The total drainage area tributary to St. Margaret's Bay is only 100 square miles, but large storage permits of complete regulation of the large run-off and two small generating stations supply near-

at the head of the falls will give a head of 132 feet. The power available is estimated at 140,000 horse power. Other modern developments of considerable size are the Maine and New Brunswick Power Company's plant of 4,400 horse power at Aroostook Falls; Fraser's Limited on the Madawaska, 2,700 horse power; The Canadian Cottons Limited on the St. Croix, 8,000 horse power; The Bathurst Co., Limited, at Great Falls, on the Nepisiguit River, 9,000 horse power; The St. George Pulp and Paper Co., on the Magaguadavic, 2,700 horse power, and the Avon River Power Co., near Windsor, of 2,300 horse power.

Confesses to Holdup of Me. Garage Man

BANGOR, Me., Oct. 16.—Edward H. Williams, 19, arrested today for breaking and entering, confessed tonight that he was the lone bandit who held up Harry Clay in a filling station, shooting at Clay five times. Williams said that he did not intend to shoot Clay but Clay threw a magazine at him and tried to grapple him. He will be arraigned tomorrow on the more serious charge.

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St. Elizabeth's Society Holds Annual Meeting—Expended Some \$1,000 in Charity.

The annual meeting of St. Elizabeth's Society of St. Peter's church was held in the parish hall last evening with the president, Mrs. S. J. McCormick, in the chair. The rector, Rev. James Cloran, C. S. R., was present and in his address to the members congratulated the society on its excellent work. The reports of the different activities were presented by the corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. J. Harrison, and showed much good had been accomplished. The treasurer's statement showed about \$1,000 had been expended in charity. Following the presentation of reports, officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Mrs. J. P. Quinn; vice-presidents, first, Mrs. R. J. Walsh; second, Mrs. A. Phillips; treasurer, Mrs. Margaret Corkery; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Margaret McMillan; recording secretary, Mrs. S. J. McCormick; members of the board of management, elected for two years, Mrs. W. McCuskey, Mrs. M. Maxwell and Mrs. Robert Allen. A rummage sale was planned for next Tuesday. Regret was expressed that Mrs. L. M. Owens and Miss May Kelly, conveners of charity, were absent through illness. Best wishes were extended to them for their speedy recovery. The society mourned the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Walsh, a

life member of the executive and one who was untiring in her zeal for the society's advancement.

HALIFAX DEPOT FOR OCEAN FLIER ASKED

Letter Gives News of Flight Across Atlantic Planned by Italian Cabinet.

HALIFAX, Oct. 16.—News of a cross-Atlantic seaplane flight under the auspices of the Italian Government reached here today in the form of a letter addressed to William Roche & Sons, steamship agents and representatives of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, St. Helena, London, England, in which the latter firm ask their Halifax agents to arrange a supply depot for Commander Casagrande, the Italian flyer. The local

firm was asked to act as custodian of 480 gallons of petrol to be shipped here from New York for the use of the flyer who was expected to reach Halifax about Nov. 20, and to accord him every courtesy and assistance. The letter stated that Commander Casagrande would fly from Genoa to

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