

Naval training establishments, comprising naval barracks, gunnery drill shed, with all modern appliances for teaching gun-laying, sight-setting, etc., and parade ground, are maintained at Halifax and Esquimalt. Naval dockyards, with workshops, etc., for refitting and supplying necessary stores to H.M.C. ships, are also maintained at Halifax and Esquimalt.

Royal Canadian Naval Reserve.—The establishment of the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve is 70 officers and 430 men recruited from amongst sea-faring personnel. Officers have been appointed to act as registrars at Halifax, Lunenburg, Charlottetown, Saint John, Quebec, Montreal, Victoria and Vancouver.

Officers and men of the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve attend naval training at Halifax and Esquimalt for 42 days for the first year of enrolment and for 14 days annually subsequently. They are permitted to volunteer for service afloat up to a maximum of 6 months during each period of enrolment. The period of enrolment in the Royal Canadian Naval Reserve is 5 years.

Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve.—The establishment of the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve is 70 officers and 930 men, distributed as follows: Halifax (half company); Saint John (company); Charlottetown (half company); Quebec (half company); Montreal (English half company and French half company); Ottawa (half company); Toronto (half company); Hamilton (half company); Winnipeg (company); Saskatoon (half company); Regina (half company); Edmonton (half company); Calgary (half company); Vancouver (half company); Prince Rupert (half company).

Each company or half company is under the immediate command of an officer of the R.C.N.V.R., appointed as company commanding officer. The company commanding officer is assisted by two or more commissioned officers of the force.

A petty officer instructor (a highly qualified ex-petty officer of the Royal Navy or of the Royal Canadian Navy) is employed at each company headquarters to give instruction to men of the company in gunnery, seamanship and other naval subjects.

Each officer and man of the R.C.N.V.R. performs annually a minimum of 30 drills of one hour's duration at company headquarters. In actual practice 40 to 50 drills have been performed annually by each member of the company. Officers and men also attend from 2 to 3 weeks' naval training annually at the naval bases at Halifax or Esquimalt.

Officers and men who can obtain the necessary leave of absence are permitted to perform a maximum of 4 months' voluntary service during the period of enrolment, and a large number have availed themselves of this opportunity of gaining extended naval experience under sea-going conditions. The period of enrolment in the R.C.N.V.R. is 3 years.

3.—Royal Canadian Air Force.

Under the provisions of the National Defence Act, 1922, the powers, duties and functions given the Air Board under the Air Board Act of 1919 are vested in the Minister of National Defence.

The executive duties previously carried out by the Air Board are now performed by the Royal Canadian Air Force. The Air Force includes a directorate in the Chief of Staff's Branch of the Department of National Defence, headquarters at Ottawa and units at the following stations:—Vancouver, B.C., with sub-base at Prince Rupert, B.C.; High River, Alta.; Winnipeg, Man., with operating bases at Lac du Bonnet, Norway House and Cormorant Lake; Camp Borden, Ont. the