

# ALIEN ENEMY SCHEME

## First Registration Bureau to Be Opened in Montreal

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Ottawa, November 1.—The new system of registration by which the Government has arranged to place a check upon the activities of persons of alien enemy nationality in Canada, will be put into operation first in Montreal.

An order-in-council has been passed authorizing the establishment of a registration office in Montreal, and upon the extent to which the work of this office develops, the Government will base the general scheme of internment. It is expected that the establishment of this bureau will, after a few days, give a fairly accurate idea of the scale upon which measures for internment must be taken. Silas H. Carpenter, formerly chief of detectives in Montreal, and latterly a commissioner of police in connection with the Department of the Interior, has been placed in charge of the office.

As soon as a report from the Montreal office is in the hands of the Government, arrangements will be made for the opening of other bureaus and for the internment of dangerous or indigent aliens of enemy nationality. It is intended to establish bureaus at Sydney, N.S., where there is a large foreign population; Ottawa, Fort William, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary and Edmonton and one later in British Columbia. The Government has not been informed as to whether or not the conditions in Toronto call for the establishment of a bureau there.

The control and direction of the internment will be placed in the hands of a single military officer, who will have general charge over the whole system. General Sir W. D. Otter, formerly inspector-general, who was in Ottawa on Saturday, will probably be selected for this work if he is willing to undertake it.