
Genaire

An all-Canadian company

Genaire Limited will celebrate its 32nd anniversary in August of 1983. This highly versatile organization was brought into being by a few individuals who were anxious to enter business on their own. Of the original directors, two, Gerry Wooll and Charlie Graham, are still active with the company.

Setting up of the facilities took place at St. Catharines Airport in a war-time built hangar. This original facility, and still the head

office, comprises some 25,000 square feet of work space.

From a modest beginning, Genaire has expanded its business and facilities for maintenance, overhaul, repair and engineering to the aviation industry. From the outset the company was equipped to provide aircraft service to owners and operators in the Niagara Peninsula area. Genaire was fortunate to receive government contracts which enabled the company to expand its work force

numerically and technically. Genaire still enjoys a substantial volume of repair and overhaul of Canadian Forces' equipment.

In 1958 more space was needed for Genaire's St. Catharines operation so the company purchased a former Canadian Army transport building at Niagara-on-the-Lake. This facility provided an additional 10,000 square feet of space where the company could concentrate its repair and overhaul of ground support equipment activities. Such items as hydraulic jacks, test stands, power units, flexible, rubber type, fuel cells and floats, etc., are processed for the Armed Forces and commercial operators.

The company holds all approvals required in the performance of its day to day business.

In 1963 Genaire acquired from Fluidyne Engineering

Corporation of Minneapolis, the world manufacturing rights to air glide and Fli-lite aircraft skis. Since then shipments of skis for aircraft from Piper and Aeronca to DC3 have been made to such diverse destinations as Japan, New Zealand, Alaska and the Antarctic.

In 1972 Genaire set up a complete repair and ranging facility for airborne radomes. The company is equipped to handle radomes from King Air to Boeing 707 and Aurora, and has engaged in limited production of radomes and dopplers.

Genaire currently employs 85 persons, and is unique in its field of repair, overhaul, modification and testing of everything which flies except engines and instruments. At the present time there are 755 items on its selection notice with the Department of National Defence.

