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\*CANADIAN BANK DEPOSITS

## Mr. CARMICHAEL:

1. What is the total of deposits in all the banks of Canada?
2. What is the total amount of loans outstanding from all the banks of Canada?
3. What percentage in actual money do the labeled to the total amount. banks have in relation to the total amount

banks have in relation to the total amount of money loaned by them?

4. How much money do the people of Canada owe the mortgage companies, loan companies, banks and insurance companies?

5. What is the amount of the national debt of Canada?

6. What is the amount of gold, silver bullion, and paper money in circulation in Canada?

Mr. BENNETT: Mr. Speaker, as a rule the hon. gentleman is very considerate in the questions he asks. The information sought in this instance however is contained in the Canada Gazette and in various other publications which are supplied to members of parliament. One of the sections of the question however is not thus answered and, from any information in the hands of the government, cannot well be answered. I refer to part 4 which is as follows:

How much money do the people of Canada owe the mortgage companies, loan companies, banks and insurance companies?

That information of course is not in the possession of the government. Many of the mortgage companies are incorporated under provincial charters, and such information is not available to the federal government.

Mr. SPEAKER: Paragraph 4 of question No. 29 shall be stricken out.

\*CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS-RIVIERE DU LOUP STATION

## Mr. POULIOT:

1. Were any letters sent after August 7, 1930, by any person to any minister of the crown, government official or civil servant relating to the construction of a new station building at Rivière du Loup marked private, personal or confidential after they were received by any such minister of the crown, government official or civil servant?

2. If so, at what dates?

3. By whom was each of said letters signed,

to whom was each one addressed and what was the date of each one?

Mr. MANION: We have no record of any such letters or documents as those asked for by the hon. member for Témiscouata. For that reason I do not know that the question can be further answered.

Mr. POULIOT: Mr. Speaker, that question might be of interest to any minister of the crown, and would not be confined to my hon, friend the Minister of Railways and Canals (Mr. Manion).

Mr. DURANLEAU: In my opinion the question is out of order because it involves every member of the cabinet and carries with it the insinuation that some documents accessible to the house have been altered either by the ministers or by their officials. For those reasons I contend the question is out of order. If my hon, friend has any charge to make against the ministers or the officials he must do it in another way.

Mr. POULIOT: Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order. I am asking for a statement