

Committee could send a delegation that would stay there for the whole Convention, and really participate, or at least be present at, all the general discussions. I think this would be a very good idea. So we could, when the time comes, two years from now, see if there is any possibility of having an official representation and perhaps, with the help of the Department, have some of the expenses paid, at least for any of the members who would remain during the whole of the Convention.

As planned the Committee drove down to Ste. Anne de Bellevue and visited the veterans hospital there. Seven of our members participated in that visit, which proved to be very very interesting and informative. We saw the outstanding work that is done and the effort that is made for the welfare of our veterans. The people responsible for that institution also took the opportunity of supplying us with information so far as the construction program, which is still under study, is concerned. The decision for this program has been taken by the Department, but they are still working on plans and trying to find out which would be the best way to prepare the drafts to give better facilities to the veterans. If there are any questions about this visit I would be very happy to answer them.

Before I go through the correspondence that we have received, I would like to mention to the members of the Committee that next Sunday will be the Council meeting of the World Veteran Federation. I have checked with my office and I do not think we have as yet received an invitation, but I was speaking to Mr. Gordon Way this morning and we are to receive invitations to the opening ceremony, which will be held in Toronto on May 1st, next Sunday, at 8.00 p.m. I am told that we should be there at 7.45 so that we can be directed to our seats. I have spoken to the Minister and there will be an aircraft leaving Ottawa, sometime at the end of the afternoon. The schedule is not definite yet. The Committee will have 15 places available for them on that plane, which will fly from Ottawa to Toronto at the end of the afternoon, returning here on the same evening—I do not know at what time.

If there are any members interested in attending this Convention, and at which the Prime Minister will be the guest speaker, would you please give me your name and advise me how you will reach Toronto, or whether you require space on the plane. If we can find out how many of us will be on that plane, it will give an opportunity to the Department of knowing how much space they have available for other people. One way or another, I will be in contact with all the members of the Committee.

Now, gentlemen, are there any questions on that Convention? Just for my own satisfaction so that I will have an idea, could the members who are interested in going, raise their hands.

Now I would ask the Clerk to read some of the correspondence that we have received. First there is a letter from Mr. Peter Curd about the report of the Woods Commission on Organization and Administration of the Canadian Pension Commission.