

Questions

MOBILIZATION ACT—RECRUITMENT QUOTAS BY
MILITARY DISTRICTS

Mr. PURDY:

On what basis are the quotas of recruits asked for from each military district under provisions of the National Resources Mobilization Act arrived at?

Mr. MITCHELL: The Department of Labour receive from the Department of National Defence (Army) requests to have men report to district depots and training centres in quotas based on training facilities. These are approximately in proportion to population. The mobilization section request the mobilization division in which the training centre or depot is situated to procure the men in question. However, the policy is to require all designated age groups in all divisions to be dealt with before designating and dealing with further age groups, and, if necessary, men mobilized in one division may be sent to other areas for training.

COMBINED FOOD BOARD

Mr. SENN:

1. When was the combined food board first established?
2. What nations are represented on this board?
3. Who are the Canadian representatives on the board?
4. When were they appointed?

Mr. MACKENZIE KING:

1. June 9, 1942.
2. The United Kingdom and the United States of America. Other countries are represented on the sub-committees of the board when their interests are concerned.
3. Canada is not represented on the combined food board.
4. Answered by the answer to question 3.

INVESTIGATION OF WAR INDUSTRIES BY MOUNTED
POLICE

Mr. LACOMBE:

1. Since the beginning of the war, has the government issued any orders to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to investigate the activities of certain war industries or those performing sub-contracts for same?
2. If so, (a) when, (b) what industries or private individuals, (c) with what results?

Mr. HOWE:

1. The Department of Munitions and Supply has not the power to issue any orders to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. When circumstances warrant such action being taken as is suggested in the question, the department requests the Commissioner of the Royal

[Mr. Gardiner.]

Canadian Mounted Police to institute investigations of such a character as are warranted by the circumstances.

2. It is not in the public interest to disclose this information.

WAR EXPENDITURE AND PUBLIC DEBT

Mr. FRASER (Peterborough West):

1. What has been the total expenditure of the dominion government for war purposes during each fiscal year since the outbreak of war?
2. What is the total amount which it is now estimated will be expended for war purposes during the present fiscal year?
3. What was the total expenditure for ordinary governmental purposes during each fiscal year since the outbreak of war?
4. What is the total amount which it is now estimated will be expended for ordinary governmental purposes during the present fiscal year?
5. What have been the total revenues of the government during each fiscal year since the outbreak of war?
6. What is the total amount of revenue which it is now estimated will be collected during the present fiscal year?
7. What has been the total increase in the net debt of Canada during each fiscal year since the outbreak of war?
8. What is it now estimated will be the total increase in the net debt of Canada at the end of the present fiscal year?
9. What was the total net debt of Canada on the following dates: March 31, 1914; March 31, 1919; March 31, 1930; March 31, 1939; March 31, 1940; March 31, 1941; March 31, 1942?

Mr. ILSLEY:

1. Direct War Expenditures (not including financial assistance to the United Kingdom by way of redemption of debt or by loan), shown on page 64 of the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1942:

Fiscal Year ended Mar. 31 1940	\$	118,291,021.64
" " " " 1941		752,045,326.06
" " " " 1942		1,339,674,152.42

2. Latest published estimate of Direct War Expenditure for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1943, including \$1,000,000,000 gift to the United Kingdom, nearly \$3,900,000,000.

3. All Government expenditure, excluding Direct War Expenditures but including Ordinary Expenditures, Capital Expenditures, Special Expenditures, Government Owned Enterprises and Other Charges, detailed on pages 64 and 65 of the Public Accounts of Canada for the Fiscal year ended March 31, 1942:

Fiscal Year ended Mar. 31 1940	\$	562,502,770.66
" " " " 1941		497,556,120.38
" " " " 1942		545,391,902.79