

Inquiries of the Ministry

7. The operation of Indian day and residential schools.

8. And any other matter or thing pertaining to the social and economic status of Indians and their advancement which, in the opinion of such committee, should be incorporated in the revised act.

That the following members be appointed to act on behalf of the House of Commons on the said joint committee, namely:

Messrs. Arsenault, Brown, Brunelle, Bryce, Blackmore, Case, Castleden, Charlton, Church, Farquhar, Garipey, Gibson (Comox-Alberni), Glen, Harkness, Little, Matthews (Brandon), MacLean, MacNicol, Raymond (Wright), Reid, Richard (Gloucester), Stanfield.

That a message be sent to the Senate requesting their honours to appoint senators to act as members of the Senate on the said special joint committee.

That the records, exhibits and evidence received and taken by the joint committee during the two last sessions of parliament and by the commission aforesaid, be made available to the said joint committee and made part of the records thereof.

That the said committee have power to appoint from its members such subcommittees as may be deemed advisable or necessary to deal with specific phases of the problem aforesaid with power to call for persons, papers and records, to examine witnesses under oath and to print such materials from day to day as may be ordered by the committee for the use of the committee and members of the House of Commons and the Senate.

That the said committee shall report from time to time and that the provisions of standing order 65 limiting the number of members on special committees be suspended in relation thereto, and that a message be sent to the Senate to acquaint their honours therewith.

Motion agreed to.

SEED GRAIN

REQUEST FOR WIPING OUT OF LIENS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. JOHN BRACKEN (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Mines and Resources. It arises out of the administration of seed grain liens made under the authority of a dominion statute passed in April, 1915. At that time the act was administered by the Department of the Interior. I understand that the responsibility in that connection has now been taken over by the Minister of Mines and Resources. By the agreement authorized by this act the dominion government maintains liens which have priority over municipal claims. My question is this: In view of the fact that the dominion government does not appear to regard these liens as live assets, will the minister consider taking steps to have them wiped out?

Hon. J. A. GLEN (Minister of Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, the hon. gentleman gave me this question just before I came into [Mr. Glen.]

the house. The government did not consider the suggestion made by the question that these are not live assets. As a matter of fact in 1927 powers were set up to deal with all cases where complaints are made with regard to these assets, and adjustments are made from time to time. The matter is the subject of government policy, and the Minister of Finance may have something to say about it.

VETERANS AFFAIRS

STUDENTS ATTENDING UNIVERSITY—COST OF LIVING BONUS OR OTHER EXTRA ASSISTANCE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. T. A. KIDD (Kingston City): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Veterans Affairs. When can the veterans who are at present attending university expect an announcement regarding their application for extra assistance or a cost of living bonus?

Hon. MILTON F. GREGG (Minister of Veterans Affairs): I assure my hon. friend that a statement on the matter will be made as soon as possible.

Mr. KIDD: I should like to ask this question. When will the minister call the committee on veterans affairs? That has something to do with it.

Mr. GREGG: When the committee is authorized.

FLAXSEED

INQUIRY AS TO CONTROL OF SALE AND ANNOUNCEMENT AS TO PRICE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. LEWIS MENARY (Wellington North): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Agriculture, of which I sent him notice before coming into the house. Will the government control the sale of flaxseed this year? If so, what will the price be and when can the minister make an announcement?

CATTLE

REQUEST FOR REMOVAL OF EMBARGO ON SHIPMENT TO THE UNITED STATES

On the orders of the day:

Mr. LEWIS MENARY (Wellington North): Will the dominion government consider the removal of the embargo on Canadian cattle going into the United States so that Canadian cattle will take up the full quota allowed on that market?

Mr. SPEAKER: Orders of the day.