

278. Return showing:—

1. Has the export of live cattle from Canada to the United States been forbidden during the months of December, 1943, and January and February, 1944, and to date? If so, on what authority, and by whose orders?

2. Has there been any form of embargo by the United States authorities against the importation into the United States of live cattle from Canada during the past, (a) three months, or (b) the past six months prior to March 6, 1944?

3. How many head of cattle were left over, unpurchased at the close of trading on the Toronto livestock market on Monday, March 6, 1944?

4. Has there been any shortage of beef for, (a) military purposes, or (b) ordinary civilian use during the past two months prior to March 6, 1944?

279. Return showing:—

1. What is the number, and what cost of government-owned facilities that come within the following industrial classifications (by classification only—not by individual facilities), (a) aircraft, aircraft parts and other motorized vehicles; (d) guns; (e) ammunition, shells, bombs, etc.; (f) explosives and ammunition loading and assembling; (g) iron and steel products; (h) non-ferrous metals and products; (i) machine tools and metal-working equipment; (j) machinery and electrical equipment; (k) chemicals; (l) synthetic rubber; (m) gas and oil products; (n) other miscellaneous manufacturing; (o) non-manufacturing, mining, pipe-lines, etc.?

2. (a) What is the amount of government money advanced since the beginning of the war to privately-owned firms engaged in production in each of the above-listed industrial classifications; (b) what is the number of such firms in each classification to which government money has been provided; (c) on what terms or conditions has such government money been provided in each classification?

3. (a) In what government departments, commissions or other government agencies is the ownership of these government-owned facilities vested; (b) what is the number of projects owned by each department, commission or other government agency; (c) what is the cost of the projects owned by each of these government departments, commissions or agencies; (d) which of these facilities in each classification are operated by the government, and which are operated for the government by private companies?

280. Return showing:—

1. Is Professor Watson Kirkconnel of McMaster University, a member of the Nationalities Branch, National War Services?

2. If so, since when?

3. How much salary and how much expense money has he received as a member of this branch?

4. Has he ever been in the employ of any other government department?

5. If so, in what capacity?

281. What has been done to provide hospital ambulances by air in Canada to transport those injured in training of the forces to proper hospitals where necessary, since the matter was raised in the House in 1942 and 1943 on the War Appropriation Bill?