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occasions prior to his election. His ambition culminated in his election by a substantial majority in 1935 and again in 1940. I have no doubt that he contributed a great deal to the public life of his county, besides making his contribution here in parliament.

I regret to say that I did not know Mr. Damude personally. During the brief time since I came here in 1940, I do not recall that I ever had the privilege of meeting him. I suggest to you, sir, and to this house, that his untimely death at the comparatively early age of fifty-two exemplifies how fleeting is human life and how heavy the toll among those in public life.

I desire to associate myself with the Prime Minister in all that he has said and in extending to the family of the deceased member our very sincere sympathy.

WAR EXPENDITURES

FOURTH TO TENTH REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Hon. J. T. THORSON (Minister of National War Services): I wish to table the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth and tenth reports of the special committee on war expenditures.

QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

DARTMOUTH, N.S., AIRPORT—TILLEY INVESTIGATION

Mr. POULIOT:

1. What is the daily remuneration, including living and travelling expenses, of Mr. W. N. Tilley, K.C., for the investigation and report referred to by the hon. Minister of Air, and the hon. member for Cumberland, on the orders of the day, May 30, 1941?

2. How much has been paid to him?

3. Did he send a final account?

4. If not, what accounts did he send to the government to date?

Mr. POWER: Mr. Tilley has not nor does he intend to render an account for his services or personal expenses resulting from his investigation into the development of the Eastern Passage aerodrome.

QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

COAL FOR SWIFT CURRENT, SASK., PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Mr. COLDWELL:

1. What are the names of those who tendered for the supply of coal to the post office and Dominion experimental farm at Swift Current, Saskatchewan, during the years 1936-1941, inclusive?

2. What was the amount of each tender?

[Mr. R. B. Hanson.]

3. What are the names of the successful tenderers and the amount of their respective tenders?

Mr. HOWE: Return tabled.

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CONGRATULATIONS ON HIS RETURN TO THE HOUSE AFTER ILLNESS

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I am sure it will be the wish of hon. members of the house that I should say to the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Woodsworth) how pleased we all are to see him again in his place to-day. As we all know, my hon. friend is leader of the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation, and as such has been unsparing in the time and energy he has devoted not only to the work of that political party but particularly to his duties in this parliament. Many of us felt that at times he worked far too hard; he did not spare himself but overtaxed his energies and occasionally those of the government as well. We were genuinely sorry when we learned that he had suffered a somewhat serious indisposition, which kept him away from Ottawa during practically the whole of the last and all of the present session of the house, but we are delighted to have him back to-day. I can assure him that on all sides of the house there is genuine pleasure at the progress he has made in regaining his strength. We hope he may find it possible to continue to attend the sittings of the house, and that he will enjoy a complete recovery of his health.

Hon. R. B. HANSON (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, may I trespass upon the time of the house to add just a word to what the Prime Minister (Mr. Mackenzie King) has said. The hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Woodsworth) and I entered this house in the same year. I think I can safely say that during most of the intervening time we have not thought alike on public questions, but on one point I am sure I can agree with my right hon. friend and with all other hon. members of this house; that is, how glad we are to see the hon. member back, I trust in improved health. I hope the time will come when he will be able to bear his full share of the duties and responsibilities of this house.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

PROCEDURE IN CONCLUDING THE SESSION— WELCOME TO RIGHT HON. CLEMENT ATLEE, LORD PRIVY SEAL

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): It might be well, Mr.