

11. Had the crown plant any agreement with Alcoa; or Dow Chemical; or any other company?
12. If so, is there any clause in the agreement by which the crown plant was sold whereby the producing company is prohibited from entering into agreement with any cartel?

KING'S PRINTER—SUPERANNUATIONS

Mr. FRASER:

1. How many employees employed under the King's Printer have been superannuated since January 1, 1939?
2. How many of these positions have been filled permanently?
3. How many temporarily?
4. Have these positions been advertised by the civil service commission?
5. How many employees employed under the King's Printer have reached the age of superannuation?
6. What steps are being taken to replace such employees with ex-servicemen?

VETERANS LAND ACT—POINTS IN ONTARIO

Mr. FLEMING:

1. What lands have been purchased for the construction of houses for veterans under the Veterans' Land Act in the vicinity of, (a) Ottawa; (b) Toronto; (c) Hamilton; (d) London; (e) Windsor; (f) St. Catharines; (g) Cornwall; (h) Kingston?
2. As to each parcel, what is the, (a) short description; (b) nearest town; (c) acreage; (d) distance to schools; (e) number of lots into which the parcel is being divided; (f) number of houses under actual construction; (g) type of contract entered into with the builder; (h) name of the contractor; (i) planned water supply; (j) planned sewage disposal; (k) date when the construction of houses actually commenced; (l) estimated completion date of construction; (m) total of progress payments made to the contractor to date; (n) purchase price paid; (o) assessed value price to purchase?

PRODUCTION OF CONSTRUCTION LUMBER

Mr. CASTLEDEN:

1. What is the quantity of construction lumber produced in Canada for each year from 1939 to 1944 and in 1945?
2. What quantity of such lumber was exported in each year?
3. What has been the increase in the retail price of lumber for house construction permitted by the lumber controller since the operation of price control?
4. What steps have been taken to maintain the standards of No. 1 lumber in the retail yards?

DIESEL ENGINES

Mr. WINKLER:

1. By years, since 1930, how many diesel engines have been imported into Canada?
2. By years, since 1930, how many diesel engines were manufactured in Canada?

3. At which year did the diesel engine manufacturers approximately fulfil the requirements of the 10 per cent clause of P.C. 1618?

4. What is the tariff rate on diesel engines allowed by P.C. 1618, tariff item 440G?

FAILURE OF APPLE CROP—SUBSIDIES

Mr. CASSELMAN:

1. What applications, if any have been made to the government seeking subsidies by way of compensation for the failure of the apple crop?
2. What action has been taken by the government with respect to said applications?
3. If a subsidy is granted, will it be of general application throughout Canada?

PUBLIC RELATIONS, PUBLICITY AND INFORMATION EXPENDITURES

Mr. FLEMING:

1. What expenditures have been made by the various departments of government and associated boards and corporations from April 1 to November 1, 1945, on public relations, publicity and information?
2. (a) To what persons outside the government service were such payments made; (b) how much did each receive and for what services?
3. How many persons are employed by the various departments of government and associated boards and corporations in public relations, publicity and information?

POST OFFICE—WINNIPEG STRIKE OF 1919

Mr. KNOWLES:

1. How many employees of the Post Office Department in the Winnipeg postal district were granted the status of "on leave without pay" in connection with their absence from work during the time of the general strike in Winnipeg in 1919?
2. How many of these employees were granted restoration of the salary rates they had previous to the absence noted above? How many were granted their normal annual salary increases?
3. Were these employees permitted to make contributions for superannuation purposes covering the time they had served previous to said absence? If so, how many of these employees have done so?
4. Has consideration been given to permitting these employees to make contributions for superannuation purposes covering the period in 1919 when they were "on leave of absence without pay"? If so, what was the result of such consideration? If not, will such consideration be given?
5. Has consideration been given to permitting returned soldiers of World War I who became employees of the Post Office Department after the last war to make contributions for superannuation purposes covering the period of time they spent overseas with the Canadian forces during World War I? If so, what was the result of such consideration? If not, will such consideration be given?