

reported that agreement had been reached with United States authorities on the proposed treaty with Japan on fisheries in the North Pacific. It was proposed to send a Canadian delegation of four, including one representative of the fishing industry, to a conference expected to start in Tokyo about November 5th, 1951, at which the agreement would be negotiated with the Japanese. He thought that he would probably have to head the Canadian delegation himself.

9. The Cabinet, after further discussion, noted with approval the report of the Minister of Fisheries and agreed that the composition of the Canadian delegation attending the conference expected to convene in Tokyo about November 5th, 1951, for the purpose of negotiating the proposed tripartite treaty on fisheries in the North Pacific Ocean, be left to his discretion.

War claims; interim compensation

10. The Secretary of State, referring to the discussion at the meeting of October 5th, 1951, said that Chief Justice Ilesley had now indicated that, while the matter did not come within his terms of reference, he would be prepared to make recommendations for interim compensation for distressed claimants with assured war claims if advised formally that the government wished him to take such action.

11. The Cabinet, after discussion, noted the report of the Secretary of State and agreed that he advise Chief Justice Ilesley formally that the government would appreciate his making, at an early date, a special report on the question of interim compensation for distressed claimants having assured war claims.

Parliament; Calgary West by-election

12. The Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys raised the question of the forthcoming by-election in Calgary West.

13. The Cabinet, after discussion, agreed to December 10th, 1951 as a tentative date for the Calgary West by-election; the Secretary of State to inform the Chief Electoral Officer that it would probably be desired to have the necessary writ issue by October 25th, 1951.

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