

Questions

Mr. CASGRAIN:

1, 2 and 3. Since the internees in question were sent to Canada under an arrangement with the government of the United Kingdom, it is not considered in the public interest to divulge the information asked by these three questions.

4. The United Kingdom government sent a senior official of the Home Office to Canada. He is at present dealing with the cases of civilian internees who were sent by the United Kingdom for internment in Canada.

5. So far as has been possible, internees who have been definitely classified by the United Kingdom authorities as class "C" are not detained in camps with combatant prisoners of war or enemy aliens classified as class "A".

SOLDIER SETTLEMENT BOARD

Mr. NICHOLSON:

1. What were the total expenses in connection with the administration of the soldier settlement board during the past fiscal year?

2. What were the total payments made by soldier settlers to the soldier settlement board during the past fiscal year?

Mr. CRERAR:

1. \$586,706.20.

2. \$2,264,673.77, total receipts as follows: Soldier settlers loan accounts, \$940,257.38; civilian purchasers loan accounts, \$635,439.68; British families loan accounts, \$130,028.61; receipts from rentals of real estate, \$88,951.37; cash receipts from real estate sales and sundry items, \$469,996.73. Total receipts, \$2,264,673.77.

NATIONAL DEFENCE—ACQUIRING OF PROPERTIES
IN TORONTO

Mr. CHURCH:

1. Has the Department of National Defence taken over the old Canada Life building, 46 King street west, Toronto, from the Canadian Bank of Commerce?

2. If so, for what purpose, and on what terms of lease or other contract?

3. Does the department call for tenders for such lease of space—so as to assure competitive bids?

4. What are the terms and conditions of lease of a building on Albert street, Toronto, taken for a recruiting depot?

5. What other leases are now in existence by this department in the city of Toronto, where and for what purposes?

Mr. RALSTON:

1. No.

2. Answered by No. 1.

[Mr. Nicholson.]

3. No. An officer with long business experience and capacity in real estate transactions was secured for special duty in connection with the acquisition of land and the negotiation of leases, and he has the benefit of the services of business men who are specially qualified to deal with such problems, to assist him when called upon.

4. Rented on a monthly basis commencing February 1, 1941, for so long as required by the Crown, at \$175 per month; lessor responsible for taxes, insurance, water rates and heating, crown responsible for lighting and cleaning.

5. It is assumed that the enquiry has reference to the Department of National Defence (Army):

Lessor—Terminal Warehouses Ltd., Toronto. Leased Premises—15,000 square feet at 829 Richmond St. How occupied—Royal Canadian Army Service Corps Supply Depot, Military District No. 2.

Lessor—T. Eaton Co. Building. Leased Premises—280 Lansdowne St. How occupied—Veterans Guard of Canada.

Lessor—Hospital for Sick Children. Leased Premises—Chorley Park. How occupied—Convalescent Hospital.

Lessor—Northrop-Strong Ltd., 49 Wellington St., Toronto, Ont. Leased Premises—434 University Ave. How occupied—Ordnance Workshop Military District No. 2.

Lessor—C.P.R. Building, C.P. Railway. Leased Premises—Room 1403—14th floor. How occupied—Cable Censor.

Lessor—Toronto West Hospital. Leased Premises—Grace Hospital, Huron and College. How occupied—Toronto Military Hospital.

Lessor—Toronto General Trusts Corp., Bay and Melinda streets. Leased Premises—60 Atlantic Ave. How occupied—Royal Canadian Engineers Stores.

Lessor—Phi Kappa Pi Bldgs., Ltd., Toronto, Ont. Leased Premises—14 Willcocks St. How occupied—Personnel of Military Hospital Quarters.

Lessor—Purdy Mansell Ltd., 63 Albert St. Leased Premises—4th Floor of 63 Albert Street, Toronto. How occupied—Artillery lecture space and signal classes, 21st Medium Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery.

In addition to the above, accommodation has been leased on behalf of the Department of National Defence (Army), by the Department of Public Works.