

rates of interest than have been current heretofore; and

Whereas it is doubtful if this purpose could be best served by the establishment of a federal system operating in the above mentioned provinces in addition to and in competition with the systems already in existence or in provinces where the need has not been sufficient, in the opinion of the provincial authorities, so as to justify the establishment of such a system; and

Whereas it would seem to be wise, both from the point of view of efficiency and economy, if a federal system is to be established, that it be a common system for the whole of Canada, and that, of necessity, would entail conferences between the federal and provincial authorities;

Therefore, your committee recommend that the investigation of the subject be continued, in order to determine whether it be possible to co-ordinate the various systems of rural credit now in existence into a federal system, applicable to the whole of Canada, and that legislation be prepared based on the said further investigations and calculated to meet the credit needs of the Agricultural classes of the Dominion, and submitted to Parliament at its next Session.

Mr. MEIGHEN: I again enter my protest against a motion to adopt a report which affirms a line of policy that is very considerably involved and also commits the House to legislation of a definite form.

Mr. LAPOINTE: Only after investigation.

Motion agreed to.

INTER-ALLIED CONFERENCE

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING: I beg to move:

That fifteen hundred copies in the English language and five hundred copies in the French language of the telegrams exchanged between the British and Canadian governments respecting the representation of the dominions at the inter-allied conference held in London on July 24 laid on the Table of the House this day be printed forthwith and bound in the sessional papers, and that rule 74 be suspended in relation thereto.

Motion agreed to.

PULPWOOD COMMISSION

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I beg to lay on the Table of the House the report of the Royal Commission on Pulpwood. I move:

That fifteen hundred copies in the English language and seven hundred and fifty copies in the French language of the report of the Royal Commission on Pulpwood laid on the Table of the House this day be printed forthwith, and that rule 74 be suspended in relation thereto.

Mr. SPEAKER: Shall I dispense?

Mr. MEIGHEN: We might dispense also with the printing. I do not think anybody will read the report.

Motion agreed to.

[Mr. Vien.]

PRIVATE BILL

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I understand there is one private bill, relating to the relief of Alma Ducharme Mullins, which an hon. member would like to have disposed of. With the consent of the House I would ask that we return to the order "Private Bills".

Mr. SPEAKER: By leave of the House.

Mr. McBRIDE: No.

Mr. SPEAKER: For Mr. Martell, Mr. Duff moves, seconded by Mr. Malcolm, that Bill No. 261 (Letter X6 of the Senate), intitled: "An Act for the relief of Alma Ducharme Mullins" (without amendments) be now read a third time.

An hon. MEMBER: No.

Mr. MEIGHEN: In view of the objection which was taken at the same sitting of the House I think it is only fair that hon. members should know that this cannot be taken except unanimously.

Mr. SPEAKER: The objection is well taken.

ADJOURNMENT—BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. MACKENZIE KING moved the adjournment of the House. He said: I suggest that we resume to-day at half past twelve. It will be simply a formal meeting of the House and we propose to have prorogation at three o'clock in the afternoon.

Mr. MEIGHEN: I understand there will be no business except prorogation at half past twelve.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I am not aware of any business.

Mr. DUFF: Private bills.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: There may be some report from the Senate.

Mr. SPEAKER: There would be any matter arising out of the motion made a moment ago by the hon. Minister of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment to refer back to the Senate the Pensions bill.

Mr. MEIGHEN: Beyond that there will be no business?

Mr. VIEN: Private bills.

Mr. MEIGHEN: I want to get an answer whether there will or not, because if there is not to be any business, hon. members who have sat here until twenty-five minutes to seven will not likely come down for the mere