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MR. BRACKEN:

Criticism:

Pensions

Reference:

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"We demand at the same time that there should be an adjustment made in old age pensions, and in the pensions payable to veterans and widows of the last war and world war I in keeping with the higher cost of living."

Suggested Reply:

In the last session of Parliament the Minister of Veterans Affairs pointed out that it was his intention to recommend the appointment of a Committee to consider the whole question of pensions to veterans and widows of both world wars. As to the demand that there be an increase in the old age pension, when this matter was before the House last session the Minister for National Health made it clear that the plans then advanced should be considered in the light of a fully comprehensive social security scheme