

AUDITOR-GENERAL'S REPORTS ON UNEMPLOYMENT
RELIEF EXPENDITURE IN QUEBEC

Mr. GIROUARD:

Did the auditor general of Canada, in addition to reports tabled in this house, present other reports to the Minister of Labour or to officials of his department, respecting the audit in his department and the control of amounts paid to the province of Quebec following investigations mentioned in reports already produced?

Mr. RHODES: Reports of the auditor general on unemployment relief expenditures are made to the Minister of Finance who transmits a copy to the Department of Labour. In addition to reports tabled in the House of Commons, the following reports were received:

Expenditures on relief works, city of Montreal, 1930 and 1931 acts—report dated July 6, 1934;

Provincial accounts for relief works and direct relief, 1930 act—report dated December 11, 1934.

REPARATIONS PAYMENTS

Mr. RINFRET:

1. Have all the cases of reparations claimed by civilians for war damages been heard and passed upon by the commissioner?

2. Are some of the awarded claims still unpaid?

3. If so: (a) how many claims are still unpaid; (b) for what reason; (c) what are the amounts of said claims?

Mr. CAHAN:

1. The final report of the commissioner was dated March 4, 1933, and was printed by order of parliament. It disposed of all claims not heard by previous commissioners or which had been filed to the date of the final report.

2. Yes.

3. (a) 4. (b) Claimants cannot be located. (c) \$3,057.64.

ENGINEERING STANDARDS ASSOCIATION

Mr. FAFARD:

1. Is the Canadian Engineering Standards Association in receipt of a subsidy from the federal government?

2. If so, what is the amount of such subsidy?

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury):

1. The Canadian Engineering Standards Association is a separate corporate body, but in order to coordinate its activities with those of the National Research Council the main committee of the Canadian Engineering Standards Association has been created an associate committee of the National Research Council. This committee receives financial support from the National Research Council

on the same basis as other associate committees of the council. The amount varies according to the exigencies of the work undertaken by the committee. The C.E.S.A. also receives considerable financial support from Canadian industries interested in and benefited by its activities.

2. During the fiscal year 1933-34—\$2,300.

J. E. LAFORCE

Mr. POULIOT:

Referring to a telegram read by the Hon. W. A. Gordon, Minister of Labour, on April 27, 1933, in the House of Commons (Hansard, page 4326), and signed by J. E. Laforce,—

1. Was the said J. E. Laforce then employed in any of the departments headed by the Hon. W. A. Gordon?

2. If so, which one and was it his duty to report to the said minister?

3. If not, did the Hon. W. A. Gordon, or anyone on his behalf, communicate by telephone, letter or telegram with the said J. E. Laforce, before the latter sent the telegram already referred to?

4. If so, when and why?

5. Before proceeding to read that telegram, did the Hon. W. A. Gordon refer to a "committee with respect to this work"?

6. If so, what was that committee, who were the people who formed it, and what was its purpose?

7. Were any of the departments of the federal government represented on such committee?

8. If so, by whom?

9. What was the occupation of the said J. E. Laforce when he sent the telegram referred to to the Hon. W. A. Gordon, and in what capacity did he do so?

Mr. GORDON:

1. No.

2. Answered by 1.

3. No.

4. Answered by 3.

5. Yes.

6. The agreement regarding relief settlement between the dominion government and the province provides, "The province shall set up and advisory committee upon which shall be included representatives of the dominion land settlement branch, the colonization branch of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and the colonization branch of the Canadian National Railway.

7. Yes.

8. J. G. Russell, district superintendent, soldier settlement of Canada, Sherbrooke, P.Q.

9. Colonization representative, Canadian National Railway.

CANADIAN BANK DEPOSITS

Mr. COOTE:

What is the number and aggregate amount of deposits payable on demand in Canadian chartered banks in each of the following classes:—