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and that some onus will be taken off the pulp and paper companies who have certain leases. Is that going to have any effect on the agreements the provinces have with the federal government in so far as contributions toward forest fire protection is concerned?

Mr. Hamilton (Ou'Appelle): Mr. Chairman, I would suggest that this question could be asked more properly either in the standing committee or when my estimates are before the house. I should like to have my officials here when I answer it. I know there is a connection but it would take too long to obtain an answer at this moment.

Mr. McIlraith: Mr. Chairman, in answer to a question I asked a few moments ago the Minister of Finance listed five provinces and in answer to a subsequent question he indicated seven provinces. There appears to be a conflict in the two answers.

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): Not at all, Mr. Chairman. The hon. member was not in his place when I went over this.

Mr. McIlraith: I am sorry, but I was in my place.

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): I have already explained the nature of these two programs. There are two programs that are involved here. In going over this some time earlier I pointed out that there are two provinces that do not participate in either of the two programs, Quebec and Newfoundland. I pointed out that there are three provinces which participate in only one program. The province of Alberta participates in the inventory program but not in the reforestation program. The province of New Brunswick participates in the inventory program but not in the reforestation program. The province of Prince Edward Island participtates in the reforestation program but not in the inventory program. What I was saying is that there are five provinces that participate in both and there are five that do not participate in one or other of the programs or both.

Mr. McIlraith: In other words the minister is now explaining that his previous answer to my question was not in accordance with the facts.

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): Not at all.

The Deputy Chairman: Is the committee ready for the question?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Item agreed to: Yeas, 67; nays, nil.

[Mr. Fisher.]

PRIVY COUNCIL

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768. Expenses pertaining to the visit to Canada in 1959 of Her Majesty the Queen and His Royal Highness the Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, including authority, notwithstanding the Civil Service Act or any other act but subject to the approval of treasury board, to appoint and to pay persons to be engaged temporarily in connection therewith, \$33,000.

Mr. Regier: Mr. Chairman, can the minister explain what preliminary expenses have run as high as the amount he is asking for here? I understand the royal visit will take place several months hence. Is the minister able to explain to the committee what kind of flag will be flown when Her Majesty as queen of Canada is aboard the yacht in a Canadian river?

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): Mr. Chairman, the answer to the first question is that the expenditures to March 31, 1959, consist of pay and allowances for army personnel, salaries, professional and special services, travelling expenses, printing, stationery and supplies and sundries. The total is \$33,000. The anwer to the second question I think should come from someone other than myself in due time, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Fisher: Mr. Chairman, I should like the minister to tell us something about the arrangements that are going to be made. I know that so far as the hon. member for Fort William and myself are concerned we would like to know something about the arrangements for the royal party coming into our area, for example. We do not want suddenly to discover on the day that we have to get permission from the defeated Conservative candidate to appear on the scene. Has the minister any information in this regard?

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): No, there is no more information than has already been given to the house and the public. Detailed arrangements, of course, cannot be made known until the time more closely approaches.

Mr. Herridge: Let me come to the assistance of the minister who is a privy councillor. I want to inform him that the royal yacht *Britannia* is a unit of the royal navy and will fly flags required by admiralty regulations.

Item agreed to.

PUBLIC PRINTING AND STATIONERY

769. Distribution of official documents—further amount required, \$13,000.

Mr. Pickersgill: I have one question to ask the minister on this item. How much