Milne. Evans, Neill. Gardiner, Garland (Bow River), Preston Ross (Kingston), Gould, Ryckman, Grimmer. Sales, Hanson, Senn. Harris. Shaw, Irvine, Sheard, Jelliff, Simpson, Speakman, Jones, Kellner. Spence. Kennedy (Edmonton), Spencer. Kennedy (Glengarry & Steedsman, Stormont), Stevens, Stewart (Hamilton), Knox, Stewart (Humboldt), Ladner. Stewart (Leeds), Lewis, Stirling, Lucas, Sutherland, MacLaren, Maclean (York) Thompson, Tolmie, Macphail (Miss), McKillop, Ward. White. McQuarrie, Maybee, Wilson. Woodsworth-74. Meighen, Millar.

#### PAIRS

(The list of pairs is furnished by the chief whips.)

#### Messieurs:

Power, Mewburn,
Clifford, Stansell
Cannon, Hocken,
Archambault, Guthrie,
Gouin, Manion,
Laflamme, LeSueur,
Gendron. Garland (Carleton).

## GOVERNMENT ANNUITIES ACT 1908— AMENDMENT

Hon. JAMES MURDOCK (Minister of Labour) moved that the House go into committee at the next sitting to consider the following proposed resolution:

That it is expedient to amend The Government Annuities Act, 1908, to provide that an annuity shall not be granted or issued for an amount less than ten dollars a year.

He said: His Excellency the Governor General, having been made acquainted with the subject matter of this resolution, recommends it to the favourable consideration of the House.

Motion agreed to.

## ST. LAWRENCE WATERWAY

On the Orders of the Day:

Mr. JOHN MILLAR (Qu'Appelle): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the government if it has received any report from the interdepartmental committee appointed to look into the St. Lawrence deep waterway project? If so, when will such report be laid on the table? If not, has the government any information whatsoever to give to the House in regard to the progress made? Also, what

are the names of the gentlemen composing the inter-departmental committee?

Hon. GEORGE P. GRAHAM (Minister of Railways and Canals): Mr. Speaker, this is a pretty big order to handle without a moment's notice. As a matter of fact, there is an inter-departmental committee which reports from time to time purely for the information of the government and the advisory committee. I am not sure whether there is anything in their reports which should not be made public, but the government deems it wise not to publish these reports, and the wisdom of its action has been well proven. The chairman of this inter-departmental committee is Mr. Biggar, and they have made reports from time to time. To be candid, I never dreamed that these reports would be asked for by parliament. There may be nothing in them that should not be placed before the House, but I would want to look through the reports very carefully before making them public, as some of the matters dealt with between the countries affected are of a very delicate nature, and it is just possible that the information given to the government should not be made public through the records of the House. I can get the personnel of the committee for my hon, friend. I may tell him that the progress made with the deep waterways question will, I imagine, be fully discussed in the House before the session closes.

Right Hon. ARTHUR MEIGHEN (Leader of the Opposition): The Minister of Railways (Mr. Graham) indicated that an opportunity will be given to discuss the course the government was taking and the progress made in relation to the St. Lawrence canal development. I would like to ask him to be good enough to advise the House two or three days in advance before that opportunity is given.

Mr. GRAHAM: I thought probably that opportunity would come in discussion of the estimates for the work.

Mr. MEIGHEN: Well, we should have notice.

Mr. GRAHAM: Surely; there will be no trouble about that.

# WINTER EMPLOYMENT CONFERENCE

On the orders of the Day:

Mr. D. F. KELLNER (East Edmonton): Mr. Speaker, I wish to ask what undertaking the government has entered into with the provincial governments and municipal authorities as a result of the unemployment conference last fall.