

parliament, so far as the interests of the House of Commons are concerned, and to act on behalf of the House of Commons as members of a joint committee of both houses on the library.

Motion agreed to.

#### PRINTING OF PARLIAMENT

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister) moved:

That a message be sent to the senate to acquaint their honours that this house will unite with them in the formation of a joint committee of both houses on the subject of the printing of parliament, and that Messieurs Bercovitch, Bertrand (Terrebonne), Blanchette, Bourget, Casselman (Grenville-Dundas), Castle, Chambers, Chevrier, Claxton, Cloutier, Corman, Damude, Denis, Dubois, Durocher, Edwards, Emmerson, Esling, Evans, Ferland, Fleming, Fraser (Peterborough West), Furniss, Goulet, Grant, Green, Hallé, Healy, Hlynka, Hurtubise, Kuhl, Leader, MacDiarmid, MacKinnon (Kootenay East), MacLean (Cape Breton North-Victoria), McGregor, McNevin, Mills, Moore, Mulock, Nicholson, Purdy, Rhéaume, Ross (St. Paul's), Sinclair, Sissons, Soper, Tucker, Tustin, Weir, White, Whitman, Winkler and Wood, will act as members on the part of this house, on the said joint committee on the printing of parliament.

Motion agreed to.

#### QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

##### POLICING OF WALPOLE ISLAND, ONTARIO

Mr. DESMOND:

Is Walpole island patrolled by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police?

Mr. LAPOINTE (Quebec East): Yes. There is also an Indian supernumerary constable stationed on the reserve on Walpole island.

##### DEFENCE OF CANADA REGULATIONS—PROCEDURE IN CASES OF CONTRAVENTION

Mr. DESMOND:

1. Has the Royal Canadian Mounted Police authority to take action in the way of prosecution or otherwise, with regard to alien foreigners committing a breach in wartime regulations, without recourse to the municipalities?

2. What legislation provides for the prosecution of aliens committing breaches of the War Measures Act?

Mr. LAPOINTE (Quebec East):

1. Yes.
2. Regulation 63, subparagraphs 1 and 2.

##### PENHOLD, ALTA., LANDING FIELD

Mr. SHAW:

1. What has been the total expenditure on the landing field at Penhold, Alberta?
2. How much of this amount was for purchase of property?

3. How much of this amount was spent on: (a) local labour, (b) outside labour?

4. Was the work on this project done by contract?

5. If so, how many different contracts were let, to whom, and on what respective dates?

Mr. HOWE:

1. Total amount of expenditure to March 31, 1940, \$88,770.11.

2. \$7,950.00.

3. The work in connection with the field development and construction of buildings at this airport was undertaken by contract. The following clause appears in the terms of contract entered into between this department and contractor: "In the execution of the works, as far as practicable and consistent with reasonable efficiency and economy, first consideration shall be given to the employment of those who, if available and competent, are most in need in the locality in which the works are to be performed, without any discrimination whatsoever, preference being shown to unemployed ex-service men, unemployed married men and single men with dependents."

4. All of the main field construction and building has been carried out by contract.

5. Four—as follows:

Contract No. 30916. Contractor: Fitzgerald Construction Co. Ltd., Edmonton, Alta. Date of Contract: September 26, 1938. Consideration: \$29,286.50. Description: Field development at the Intermediate Aerodrome, Penhold, Alta.

Contract No. 31359. Contractor: A. S. Reid, Red Deer, Alta. Date of Contract: July 27, 1939. Consideration: \$21,272.80. Description: Erection of living quarters for Radio Staff (two residences), Airways Building and garage at Penhold, Alta.

Contract No. 31381. Contractor: J. Choimiere, Medicine Hat, Alta. Date of Contract: August 11, 1939. Consideration: \$6,268.35. Description: Erection of a Radio Range Station at Penhold, Alta.

Contract No. 31889. \*Contractor: Fred Mannix, Vancouver, B.C. Date of Contract: June 1, 1940. Consideration: \$10,930.00. Description: Additional field development at Penhold, Alta.

\*War Appropriation—No expenditure has been incurred to date in connection with this contract.

##### HOME IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Mr. GRAYDON:

1. How many loans have been made in each year under the home improvement plan in (a) Canada, (b) Peel county?