

17. The Cabinet, after considerable discussion, agreed that no increase be permitted in the total number of 200 prisoners of war to remain in Canada under the decision of December 3rd; it was understood that this authority related to single men only.

Imperial Defence College; employment of senior Canadian Army officer (Lieutenant-General Simonds)

18. The Secretary reported that Treasury Board had requested Cabinet decision upon a submission of the Minister of National Defence for the employment of Lieutenant-General G.G. Simonds on the directing staff of the Imperial Defence College. The submission requested authorization for allotment of the necessary funds.

(Minister's submission to Council, Nov. 15, 1946).

19. The Minister of National Defence explained the reasons for requesting authority for the proposed employment of this officer.

20. The Cabinet, after discussion, approved the Minister's report and agreed that authority be given by Treasury Board in accordance with the submission made.

Price policy; farm machinery

21. The Minister of Finance stated that the Wartime Prices and Trade Board had requested direction as to the policy to govern in the case of a manufacturer of special farm machinery at Orillia, Ontario.

The firm in question (Otaco, Limited) had manufactured farm machinery of a special type used on small farms in eastern Canada. They had now ceased to produce these articles on the ground that they could not do so without being permitted increased prices.

In this connection a letter from the Chairman of the Board was read.

22. The Cabinet, after considerable discussion, agreed that decision be deferred pending further investigation of the circumstances with the Minister of Agriculture.

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