THURSDAY, October 11, 1945.

The Special Committee on Veterans Affairs met at 10.30 a.m., the Chairman, Mr. W. A. Tucker, presiding.

Members present: Messrs. Adamson, Belzile, Benidickson, Bruce, Cleaver, Croll, Cruickshank, Dion (Lake St. John-Roberval), Dorion, Drope, Emmerson, Gibson (Hamilton West), Gillis, Green, Harkness, Herridge, Isnor, Kidd, Langlois, Lennard, Marshall, Mackenzie, Merritt, Moore, Pearkes, Probe, Quelch, Ross (Souris), Tucker, Viau, White (Hastings-Peterborough), Whitman, Winkler, Wright.

The Clerk read the minutes of the meeting held on October 9 and, on motion of Mr. Quelch, they were adopted unanimously.

The Chairman reported that the Steering Committee had met and recommended:—

- 1. That the Committee meet on Tuesday and Thursday of next week and on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of each week thereafter;
- 2. That the Clerk furnish each of the principal veterans' organizations with a copy of the Committee's Order of Reference, and ask that any representations they wish to make be submitted with the least possible delay;
- 3. That the bill to amend the War Service Grants Act be considered on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. Gillis, the report of the Steering Committee regarding sittings of the Committee was concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Green, the report of the Steering Committee regarding inviting representations from veterans' organizations, and regarding next Tuesday's business, was concurred in.

Mr. Mackenzie presented a statement reviewing in detail the history of legislation relating to veterans from the close of the Great War.

Exhibit No. 1: Mr. Mackenzie tabled the following documents as appendices to his statement:

- 16. Third Report, House of Commons Committee on Reconstruction, July 20, 1942.
- 17. Motion by Minister of P. & N.H. February 24, 1943, for appointment by the House of Commons of a Committee on Reconstruction and Re-establishment.
- 18. Second Report, June 23, 1943, of the House of Commons Committee on Reconstruction.
- 19. Fourth Report, January 26, 1944, of the House of Commons Committee on Reconstruction.
- 20. Report of the Advisory Committee on Reconstruction, September 24, 1943.
 - 20-A Report of Sub-Committee on Agricultural Policy.
 - 20-B. Report of Sub-Committee on Natural Resources.
- 20-C. Report of Sub-Committee on Publicly-Financed Construction Projects.