

2. Who was responsible for the distribution of these relief funds?
3. Was a committee established to supervise the distribution of these funds?
4. If so, what were the names of the persons who served or are serving on such committee?

Mr. Gibson, a Member of the King's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of April 7, 1941, for a Return showing:—1. How many (a) motor vehicles; (b) vessels; (c) other conveyances, were seized pursuant to Section 169 of the Excise Act, 1934, during each of the fiscal years ending March 31, 1939, 1940 and 1941?

2. In how many such seizures during the aforementioned periods was application made for a declaration of interest pursuant to Section 169A of the Excise Act, 1934?

3. How many of such applications were made by, (a) individuals or partnerships; (b) loan or finance companies; (c) other corporations?

4. In how many of such applications divided as aforementioned was an order made, (a) declaring the claimants interest, (b) dismissing the claim?

5. During the fiscal years aforementioned, in how many instances, if at all, was relief from forfeiture granted by Order in Council or otherwise?

Mr. Ralston, a Member of the King's Privy Council, presented,—Return to an Order of the House of March 12, 1941, for a Return showing:—1. Have any of our Canadian universities offered buildings to the government for use in the present war?

2. If so, which of them, on what terms and conditions and for what purpose?

3. What university property, if any, is now being used by the Government for war purposes?

The following Bill from the Senate was read the first time and ordered for a second reading at the next sitting of the House, viz:

Bill No. 27 (Letter B-2 of the Senate), intituled: "An Act respecting British Columbia Telephone Company."—*Mr. McGeer*.

Mr. MacInnis rose to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order 31 for the purpose of discussing a matter of urgent public importance, namely: to call the attention of the House and the Government to the critical situation caused by the recent cessation of work in the steel industry which must very seriously affect our war effort.

The Prime Minister having stated from his seat that, in view of the War situation, it was not in the public interest to discuss this matter on the floor of the House at the present time, Mr. Speaker ruled that the question of urgency did not arise and therefore the motion could not be made.

The following Questions on the Order Paper were passed by the House as Orders for Returns, under subsection 4 of Standing Order 44, and Orders of the House were issued to the proper officers accordingly, viz:—

By Mr. Fraser (Peterborough West):—1. What taxes first imposed during the Great War are still in force, either in their original or modified form?

2. What revenue was collected from each such tax during the fiscal years 1940 and 1941?

Mr. Casgrain, a Member of the King's Privy Council, presented,—Return to the foregoing Order forthwith.