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## PROPERTY FOR POSTAL TERMINAL, LONDON, ONT.

**Mr. White (Middlesex East):**

For a copy of all correspondence exchanged between the Department of Public Works and/or the Post Office Department and the International Harvester Company of Canada regarding the proposal to purchase from the International Harvester Company property situated at the southeast corner of York and Clarence streets, London, Ontario, for a postal terminal on the Canadian National Railways; also a copy of all correspondence exchanged between the Department of Public Works and/or the Post Office Department and D. H. Howden Company regarding the purchase of the above named property.

**Mr. Fournier (Hull):** May I ask the hon. member if he will allow this motion to stand. I understand that this is the subject of expropriation proceedings before the exchequer court. I have not had time during the last few days to get in touch with the officials. Hon. gentlemen know that I have been in the house, and I have not done any office work in the last few days.

**Mr. Speaker:** Stand.

**NATIONAL FILM BOARD**

## REQUEST FOR REFERENCE OF ANNUAL REPORT TO SPECIAL COMMITTEE

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. M. J. Coldwell (Rosetown-Biggar):** I should like to direct a question to the Prime Minister. In view of the fact that the report of the film board has been presented this morning, will the government consider setting up a committee, similar to the one which examined the affairs of the broadcasting corporation, to look into matters concerning the film board? I am not doing this in a critical sense, but I think the board should have an opportunity of explaining its work to members and members should have an opportunity of knowing what the film board is doing.

**Right Hon. L. S. St. Laurent (Prime Minister):** The government will be glad to consider the suggestion made by the hon.

[Mr. Speaker.]

member for Rosetown-Biggar. I assume he means that the establishment of such a committee should be recommended at the next session.

**Mr. Coldwell:** That is right.

**Mr. St. Laurent:** The matter will be given consideration between now and the next session.

**GREECE**

## STARVATION CONDITIONS—INQUIRY AS TO ASSISTANCE

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. J. M. Macdonnell (Greenwood):** I wish to direct a question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs. I have sent notice which I hope he has received. Has the government been advised of starvation conditions in Greece, and has it been asked for aid? What steps are being taken, by either national or international means, to help this brave people who have suffered so much in the cause of freedom?

**Hon. L. B. Pearson (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** I received notice of the hon. gentleman's question just as I was coming into the house, so I am afraid I may not be able to give him as detailed an answer as I would otherwise have desired to do. It is true that through our embassy in Athens we have been made aware of the very difficult and distressing conditions among the people in the northern area of Greece. To my knowledge, however, we have not received from the Greek government any request for assistance. The matter is nevertheless being looked into on the basis of the reports we have received from our embassy. It is also true of course that a great deal of assistance of an international kind has been given to Greece in recent years. This, among other things, is a recognition by those who have given assistance, including Canada, of the great services the Greek people have rendered to the free world during and after the war. Having said that, however, I should add that the resources of Canada for international assistance are not unlimited.

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## COMMISSION ON AMENDMENTS—INQUIRY AS TO TABLING AND CIRCULATION OF REPORT

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. J. G. Diefenbaker (Lake Centre):** I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Justice. I should like to know whether or not the report of the commission on the momentous