

Supply—Veterans Affairs

Mr. Fulton: I notice there is a veterans welfare officer under the departmental administration vote. Why would it not be listed under veterans welfare service? Is there some division of responsibility between the two branches? This item is found about halfway down page 311.

Mr. Gregg: I am not able to answer that question. However, in connection with the financial adviser I may say that he has been made permanent this year and is consequently named in the list on page 311. In other years he was shown in the temporary bulk list at the foot of the column.

Mr. Fulton: The minister has told us that the departmental paper, *Veterans Affairs*, cost \$4,500 or \$5,000?

Mr. Gregg: Yes, \$4,500.

Mr. Fulton: On page 312 of the estimates there is an item of \$20,000 for advertising and publicity. What does that include, in addition to that paper?

Mr. Gregg: That amount of \$20,000 is to provide for the publication of the departmental newspaper *Veterans Affairs* to be issued bi-monthly, for \$4,500; the issue of the French edition of the veterans charter. Those are just being completed or paid for now, and come to \$7,500. Then, monthly advertising in newspapers and veterans publications, \$8,000. This covers such items as I referred to a little while ago on matters of special interest to veterans. These give a total of \$20,000.

Mr. Quelch: I am somewhat concerned about the discussion which took place regarding hospitalization. Is it still the policy of the department to grant free hospitalization to all veterans of the first war who are

indigent? An indigent veteran has been defined as one with an income of less than \$1,000 a year. Is that still the policy?

Mr. Gregg: The change made and the additional paying class announced a while ago does not in any sense change the situation under class 5A and class 6 patients.

Mr. Blackmore: As it is within a minute or so of the time for closing, perhaps the committee might rise. I have a matter which might take some time.

Item stands.

Progress reported.

AGRICULTURE AND COLONIZATION

Second report, in both English and French, of the standing committee on agriculture and colonization.—Mr. Bater.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Fournier (Hull): Tomorrow we will consider the government notice of motion in the name of the Minister of Transport. Then we will take up Bill No. 135, to amend the Department of Transport Stores Act; Bill No. 263, to amend the Electricity Inspection Act, 1928; Bill No. 264, to amend the Gas Inspection Act; Bill No. 221, to provide for the payment and distribution of prize money. I am not sure as to the order of those bills. I know we will begin with Bill No. 135, but I am not sure as to the order of the others. When those bills have been passed we will go into supply and take up the estimates of the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Citizenship and Immigration.

At eleven o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.