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BOARD OF COMMERCE REPORT.

\*Mr. CASGRAIN:

When does the Government expect that the Board of Commerce will make its report to the Government?

Sir GEORGE FOSTER: I am not certain just when the report will be brought down, but my latest information is that it is nearly ready for laying upon the table of the House.

TAXATION OF "MUTUAL" INSURANCE COMPANIES.

\*Mr. RINFRET:

1. Does the Government intend to impose a tax of 15 per cent on the "mutual" or non-authorized insurance companies?

2. If so, how many companies, approximately, are to be affected by said tax?

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: This information will be given when the legislation pertaining thereto, if any, is brought down.

CANADIAN NORTHERN PORT ARTHUR TERMINALS.

Mr. BUREAU:

1. Have the terminals, lands and buildings forming part of and operated by the Canadian Northern Railway system at Port Arthur been turned over to the Government as part of the system of the Canadian National Railways?

2. Have the ore docks and buildings located at Port Arthur and forming part of and operated by the Canadian Northern Railway been turned over to the Government as part of the system of the Canadian National Railways?

3. Have the lands, buildings and other properties of the Atikokan Iron Company been acquired by the Government and are they now controlled and do they form part of the Canadian National Railway system?

4. Have the lands controlled by the Lake Superior Terminal Company, part of the Mackenzie-Mann Company or Canadian Northern Railway system, been acquired by the Government and are they now the property of and operated by the Canadian National Railways?

Hon. Mr. CALDER:

1. The terminals, lands, and buildings used by the Canadian Northern Railway system at Port Arthur are owned by said company.

2. No, but the Canadian Northern Railway is operating these premises under lease.

3. No.

4. The Canadian Northern Railway owns the entire capital stock of the Lake Superior Terminals, Limited, thereby controlling any lands or properties owned by that company.

[Mr. Calder.]

EXCESS BUSINESS PROFITS TAXATION.

\*Mr. CASGRAIN:

How much has the Government received as an additional revenue through the Excess Business Profits Tax Act over and above what they would have received under the Income Tax Act, assuming that all companies would have been taxed at 10 per cent?

Sir HENRY DRAYTON: To answer this question would necessitate the examination of approximately 100,000 returns and the employment of many accountants.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS INCORPORATION.

Mr. CASGRAIN:

1. Have any Orders in Council been passed under the provisions of section 11 of chapter 13, 9-10 Geo. V, An Act to incorporate Canadian National Railway Company and respecting Canadian National Railways?

2. If so, when and what are the number of said Orders in Council?

3. If not, why?

Hon. Mr. CALDER (for Mr. Reid):

1. No.

2. Answered by No. 1.

3. The provisions of section 1 of the Act referred to have not been given effect to.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS.

Mr. REID (Mackenzie):

1. What are the totals of credits advanced by the Canadian Government to (a) Great Britain, (b) the Allied Powers, before the armistice.

2. Of these totals what proportions were used respectively for the purchase of (a) agricultural products, (b) manufactured goods.

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Mr. BUREAU:

1. How many horses were brought back to Canada from overseas, including those from Siberia?

2. What did it cost per head to bring them back?

3. Are all senior officers from colonel upwards entitled to a horse?

4. What officers get two horses?

5. What was the cost to the country to feed these horses from their arrival in Canada up to the 15th of March?

6. How many officers and men are employed looking after said horses from the date of their arrival up to the 15th of March?

7. Where are these horses at the present time?

Mr. REID (Mackenzie):

1. What is the amount of Income Taxes for which returns have been made for the respective years 1916, 1917 and 1918, but which have not been collected?