

Mr. ADAMSON: The minister did not say anything about companies such as Allied Brass. Are they still in existence? When were they liquidated?

Mr. HOWE: Allied Brass was not a crown company; it was a private company.

Mr. COCKERAM: We have heard about those four planes. What are the other items covered up in this item, in addition to those four planes?

Mr. HOWE: Does the hon. member mean covered, or covered up?

Mr. COCKERAM: Probably the minister is right.

Mr. HOWE: If the hon. member meant "covered up", I would resent it.

Mr. COCKERAM: Are there any other items?

Mr. HOWE: Yes, there are. There is an aeronautics inspection school built at Malton.

Mr. COCKERAM: How much for that?

Mr. HOWE: That was \$50,000. Then, an airport at Cartierville. This was a small extension costing \$1,250. Then, there was an expenditure on a ferry boat at Vancouver, owned by the department, involving an amount of \$500. Then there is a storage unit for filled ammunition at Delsen, Quebec, for \$1,000, and a storage unit at L'Acadie, Quebec, for \$5,000. Then, the wood fuel controller has spent \$1,477.94, probably for an automobile. There is another item of \$137.28.

Mr. COCKERAM: I do not like the minister's reply. In the first place, those aircraft are costing \$1,700,000, and there is a difference of \$1,100,000. The minister has given us details for about \$200,000. What is the big stuff? What are the big figures?

Mr. JACKMAN: Keep the chicken feed.

Mr. HOWE: What was the question?

Mr. COCKERAM: The minister has stated that the four Liberators or Lancasters, or whatever they are, were to cost about \$1,700,000. This item covers \$2,852,364. The minister has explained the additional \$1,100,000 to the extent of some \$200,000. He gave us one item of around \$100, but I should like to know something about the major items of around a million dollars.

Mr. HOWE: Prior to August 31 we had spent \$147,636, and we anticipate that the requirements for the remainder of the year will be the balance of the \$3 million, which is \$2,852,364. A good many of these amounts are commitments from the first half of the

year which have to be paid for between now and the end of the year. This is a clean-up item for a large variety of accounts. I could go down the list of forty or fifty items if the hon. member wished. They are all small.

Mr. COCKERAM: Some of the items the minister mentioned were not principal items. I should like to know something about the principal items, the big items, in dollars and cents.

Mr. HOWE: The items are as follows:

Aeronautical inspection school building, Malton	\$55,085 00
Cartierville airport—runways	166,076 38
Ferry boat <i>Crosline</i> , Vancouver ..	634 00
Fitting-out berth, Pictou, Nova Scotia	87,129 51
Fort William airport	162,773 36
Lancaster bombers	1,804,000 00
Levis Tramways company—construction of a power substation.	15,500 00
Malton airport—storage facilities for Mosquito and Lancaster aircraft spares	167,211 71
Pier No. 7, Halifax—dredging	252 60
Purchase of vehicles from Department of National Defence	327,860 44
Repairs to proof trucks (Allied War Supplies Corporation)	2,269 29
Semi-tidal graving dock—Saint John, N.B.	22,614 73
Ship repairs—Dartmouth and Halifax	51,279 22
Sound projection equipment	7,747 23
South side fitting-out berth, Saint John, N.B.	809 25
Storage unit for filled ammunition—Delson, Quebec	10,588 26
Storage unit for filled ammunition—De Beaujeu, Quebec	54,482 90
Storage unit for filled ammunition—L'Acadie, Quebec	38,440 89
Trucks for Allied War Supplies Corporation	131 90
Water supply—Dartmouth, Nova Scotia	34,385 12
Wharf—Courtenay bay	22,832 93
Wood fuel controller	56,536 65
Ammonia tank cars	137 28

Mr. COCKERAM: It is amazing that the minister's department should be buying vehicles from the Department of National Defence to an amount of \$327,000. Could the minister explain that?

Mr. HOWE: In producing synthetic rubber tires we carried on extensive tests in western Canada and in Texas, under hot weather and cold weather conditions. That required vehicles, and since we had orders for the Department of National Defence, we purchased the necessary vehicles from that department.

Item agreed to.

Production subsidies and other miscellaneous war expenses, \$25,000,000.

Mr. MACDONNELL: Could we have a break-down of this item? I cannot under-