Mr. H. W. Seagrim, Senior Vice-President, Operations;

Mr. A. C. MacInnes, Director of Public Relations;

Mr. André Gauthier, Area Manager, Government and Public Relations;

Mr. H. D. Laing, General Auditor;

Mr. H. S. Bowman, Finance Accountant;

Mr. N. E. Taylor, Chief of Economic Research;

Mr. Donald Gordon, Chairman and President, Canadian National Railways;

Mr. J. L. Toole, Vice-President, Accounting and Finance;

Mr. J. W. Demcoe, Vice-President, Transportation and Maintenance;

Mr. R. T. Vaughan, Secretary.

Your Committee, having examined the above-mentioned reports 1 to 7 both inclusive, recommends them to the approval of the House.

A copy of the Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence (Issues No. 1 to 4) is appended.

(The Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence accompanying the said Report recorded as Appendix No. 11 to the Journals).

Mr. Pennell, from the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, presented the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which is as follows:

Pursuant to Order of Reference of Tuesday, December 3, 1963, namely:

That the question of privilege, raised by the Honourable Member for Swift Current-Maple Creek (Mr. McIntosh), respecting the following statement by the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Hays), be referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections: "Apparently he does not understand that the problem arose out of the fact that Mr. Walker was taking orders from the honourable member for Swift Current-Maple Creek instead of the Director. This was one of the problems, and was not satisfactorily fulfilling his job."

Your Committee has held seven regular meetings to consider the said question of privilege.

The Committee has heard two witnesses.

The Committee has agreed to report that:

(1) The question of privilege has been satisfactorily answered by the withdrawal of the Honourable Minister of Agriculture;

(2) In view of the evidence produced before it, your Committee recommends that the Government institute an independent inquiry of a judicial nature to investigate

- (a) the dismissal of Mr. Walker,
- (b) the other evidence which has been adduced before the Committee, and
- (c) the circumstances pertaining to the payment of P.F.A.A. funds prior to the re-examination of alleged irregularities discovered by the Director of P.F.A.A. in the crop reports of 1962.

A copy of the relevant Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence (Issue No. 17), is appended.

(The Minutes of Proceedings and Evidence accompanying the said Report recorded as Appendix No. 12 to the Journals).