

## QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk).

## PEACE TREATY WITH FINLAND

Mr. CHURCH:

1. Has Canada yet signed the peace treaty with Finland adopted by the United Nations at Paris recently, as set out in the white paper, tabled No. 7?

2. What action has been taken in the matter by Canada?

Mr. ST. LAURENT:

1. Yes.

2. Canada has not yet ratified this treaty.

## OLYMPIC GAMES

RELATION OF CANADA TO OLYMPICS COMMITTEE—  
APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. J. G. DIEFENBAKER (Lake Centre): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask a question of the Prime Minister, arising from an article in the *Ottawa Journal* of today to the effect that His Worship the Mayor of Ottawa has asked the government to look into and investigate the Olympics Committee. Do the people of Canada contribute to that committee, and does the government in any way recommend any of the appointments made in connection with it?

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): I should like to be exact in making my reply. In the circumstances I shall have to ask my hon. friend to let the question stand as a notice.

## FOOD

SHORTAGE IN EUROPE—REQUEST FOR REMOVAL OF  
CEILINGS ON AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

On the orders of the day:

Hon. W. EARL ROWE (Dufferin-Simcoe): Mr. Speaker, in view of the critical food situation in Great Britain and Europe, and the almost starvation conditions in many zones, will the government give consideration to the removal of all price ceilings from agricultural products so as to restore production, which has been steadily declining in the last two years?

Some hon. MEMBERS: Answer.

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): I might say for the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Gardiner) that he evidently considers he is not the whole government.

Mr. CASE: That is news.

## PUBLIC WORKS

## WHARF FACILITIES AT NORTH SYDNEY, N.S.

On the orders of the day:

Hon. ALPHONSE FOURNIER (Minister of Public Works): Mr. Speaker, yesterday the hon. member for Cape Breton South (Mr. Gillis) inquired as to the intentions of the government concerning new wharfage facilities at North Sydney. His question was based on a telegram he had just received. The hon. member for Cape Breton North-Victoria (Mr. MacLean) had received a similar telegram at the same time, and handed me a copy of it so that I might make an investigation.

I understand that at North Sydney the government has two wharves, one of which was completed last year at a cost of \$500,000. Any new project contemplated for North Sydney would be part of the post-war reconstruction programme; and if the government decided to build a new wharf, an item would appear in the estimates.

## BUTTER

INQUIRY AS TO DATE OF ESTABLISHMENT OF  
FLOOR PRICE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. R. E. DROPE (Northumberland, Ont.): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask about a matter of urgent public importance, as a result of a number of telegrams and letters I have received. Will the Minister of Agriculture name a definite date on which the floor price on butter, if any, is to be announced?

Right Hon. J. G. GARDINER (Minister of Agriculture): I must agree with the Prime Minister (Mr. Mackenzie King), that I cannot speak for the whole government.

Mr. CASE: Think of that!

## POSTAL SERVICE

REQUEST FOR AIR MAIL SERVICE BETWEEN WINNI-  
PEG AND FLIN FLON

On the orders of the day:

Mr. RONALD MOORE (Churchill): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask a question of the Postmaster General, arising out of several telegrams received this morning. Will the minister recommend that an air mail service be included in the new air service to begin June 1 between Winnipeg and Flin Flon via Dauphin and The Pas? The present mail service by railway is very slow.

Hon. ERNEST BERTRAND (Postmaster General): I shall take the question as a notice, and have the department look into it.