Mr. MURPHY: The same explanation applies that I have already given the hon. member.

Mr. CHEVRIER: Which is no explanation at all.

Mr. CAYLEY: Has the minister made provision for the marking of the sites of the first cheese factory in Oxford county? Doctor Ruddick mentioned it.

Mr. MURPHY: It has been recommended by the advisory board. Action has not yet been taken upon the recommendation.

Mr. CAYLEY: What sum will be expended?

Mr. MURPHY: Usually we erect cairns which are all pretty much of the same type.

Mr. CAYLEY: That work will be done this year?

Mr. SANDERSON: Following the remarks of my hon. friend from South Oxford (Mr. Cayley), I desire to advise the minister that a cheese factory was established in the county of Perth some years before the establishment of the cheese factory to which he has referred.

Mr. POULIOT: When is it intended to erect the proposed monument at Cabano to commemorate the old portage road and the old fort?

Mr. MURPHY: I hope the work will be done this year.

Mr. POULIOT: Thank you.

Mr. CAMPBELL: Is any systematic plan followed in advertising our national parks not only in Canada, but in the United States and other countries?

Mr. MURPHY: We do not expend any money on advertising our parks, but we have been very fortunate in obtaining much free publicity for them. The hon. member will notice in the advertising sections of certain magazines that often the major portion of the space is taken up in advertising the scenic attractions of Canada, and this is a service which we are getting gratis.

Mr. CAMPBELL: Since the natural resources were turned over to the western provinces they have set apart several areas for park purposes, and no doubt the provincial park departments will freely advertise these particular areas. I suggest to the minister that he keep in touch with the provincial departments in order to coordinate the advertising and so avoid unnecessary duplication.

Item agreed to.

PENSIONS

European war—naval, militia and air forces after the war, $50,500,000.

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): Is this vote for the annual cost of all pensions paid to ex-servicemen throughout Canada?

Hon. MURRAY MacLAREN (Minister of Pensions and National Health): Yes, and rather more. It includes pensions for disabled members of the Canadian expeditionary force, members of the active militia since August 4, 1914, dependents of disabled members of the expeditionary force, and also dependents of the active militia who died on service as a result of disability incurred thereon. It includes also the reinstatement of pensioners who commuted their pensions, and supplementary pensions to warrant officers and others of the imperial forces who were prewar residents of Canada, and the dependents of such pensioners; also pensions to ex-members of the French, Belgian and Italian forces; grants for burial of pensioners who died of their disabilities and whose estate was not financially able to bear the expense; lastly, grants to members of the permanent force subsequent to August 4.

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): It means the pension cost has gone up by $500,000 since last year as the result of the change in legislation?

Mr. MacLAREN: Did the hon. member ask if the item was increased by $500,000?

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): Yes. Is that the result of the legislation passed last year creating additional facilities for granting pension?

Mr. MacLAREN: No, this is simply for pensions. The increase over last year is $500,-000 for the entire vote, but of the $50,000,000 voted last year only about $44,200,000 was spent. So that nearly $6,000,000 of the vote last year was unexpended, which will allow about $6,500,000 to meet the increased pensions of the coming year.

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): That is the information I desired to obtain. How much does the minister estimate will be the increased cost of pensions as a result of the legislation passed last year?

Mr. MacLAREN: That is the estimate, $6,500,000.

Mr. RALSTON: Perhaps this would be as good a time as any to bring to the attention of the minister a matter to which I think some consideration should be given. This