

Mr. Ralston, a Member of the King's Privy Council, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Governor General,—Report of the Department of National Defence, Canada, for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1943.

Also,—Copy of General Orders promulgated to the Canadian Army from February 4, 1943, to December 3, 1943 (English Edition), and February 4, 1943, to November 26, 1943 (French Edition), under the provisions of Section 141, Chapter 132, R.S.C., 1927.

He also presented,—Return to an Order of the House of July 8, 1943, for a Return showing:—

1. Was preliminary work such as construction of roads, temporary ditching, stream diversion, etc., in connection with embarkation transit depot, Windsor, N.S., carried out by the Department of National Defence, military or civilian personnel?

2. If so, was Lieutenant James K. Garner (alias Lee), Royal Canadian Engineers, employed to direct and supervise this work?

3. Did Ralph and Arthur Parsons Company, of Windsor, N.S., have any connection with this work directly or indirectly?

4. If so, in what capacity?

5. Was plant machinery or equipment rented from Ralph and Arthur Parsons Company?

6. If so, what were the total rentals paid this firm for plant machinery and/or equipment?

7. What was total rental for each unit?

8. How much was paid this company for supervision?

9. Was rental of power shovels and other equipment on basis of complete operating cost?

10. Was the time of defence personnel and defence materials used by Ralph and Arthur Parsons Company covering repairs and overhaul of plant and machinery charged to and paid for by Ralph and Arthur Parsons Company?

11. If so, what was the amount so charged or paid for this work?

Also,—Return to an Order of the House of July 5, 1943, for a Return showing:—

1. Since the commencement of the war, and including personnel in the permanent army, navy and air force when the war began, what is the total number of men taken on the strength for active full time duties in, (a) the army; (b) the navy; (c) the air force?

2. How many of the same have been struck off the strength or ceased from any cause to be members of the same forces?

And also,—Return to an Order of the House of July 8, 1943, for a Return showing:—As at June 30, and by military districts, what has been the total intake of men into the armed forces since the outbreak of war, and what percentage do these figures bear to the male population in the military age group in each district?

Mr. St. Laurent, a Member of the King's Privy Council, laid before the House,—Copy of Order in Council P.C. 10354, approved November 17, 1942: respecting the carrying out of the death sentence.

And also,—Report by the Minister of Justice pursuant to paragraph 3 of Regulation 21 of the Defence of Canada Regulations (Detention of Persons).