

7. What are the qualifications of members of day nursery staffs, (a) of those in charge of day nurseries, (b) of those employed directly in the care of the children?

8. What arrangements have been made in the day nurseries for nutrition?

9. Have any day nurseries been established within or in connection with war plants?

10. If so, where and with what average attendance?

11. For what hours do the day nurseries provide services?

12. What has been the cost of day nurseries to (a) the federal government, (b) the provincial governments, (c) the cities and towns, (d) the parents, (e) the industries concerned?

Mr. MITCHELL:

1. The initiative for establishing day nurseries rests with the provinces. Under the direction of Mrs. Rex Eaton, Assistant Director of Women and Welfare Division, Miss Margaret Grier has been appointed to have charge of the administration of the Dominion-Provincial agreement for the day care of children.

2. Agreement with Ontario was signed July 29, 1942, and with Quebec on August 3, 1942. Seven day nurseries have been approved. Four are in operation.

3. Toronto, Brantford, St. Catharines, Oshawa.

4 and 5. While day nurseries have not been operating long enough to give detailed statements, approximate figures are 125 mothers and 154 children who have made use of the services.

6. 256.

7. Full time paid director who has been adequately trained in nursery education. A full time paid assistant also adequately trained. Women volunteers who have been given special short courses in nursery education.

8. Diet lists are approved by the provincial nutrition committee.

9. No.

10. No.

11. 7 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. or later.

12. (a) Accounts are to be rendered through the provinces and have not yet been received. Federal commitments for day nurseries approved amount to \$27,404.68. (b) Provincial costs will be \$27,404.68, plus any additional expenses which are not shareable under the agreement. (c) Cities and towns do not contribute. (d) Mothers contribute 35 cents for first child and 15 cents for each additional child. If both parents working, the charge is 50 cents per child. (e) Industries do not contribute.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

GENERAL MOTORS AND SUBSIDIARIES

Mr. COLDWELL:

1. How frequently does the government settle its accounts with General Motors of Canada or its subsidiaries?

2. What rate of interest does General Motors charge on government accounts payable?

3. What was the average monthly balance due to General Motors during the year 1942?

4. At what rate of interest does the General Motors receive financial accommodation from the Dominion Bank of Canada or other chartered bank?

5. What was the average rate of interest paid by the government on its short term loans or treasury bills in 1942?

MCMURRAY OIL SANDS—ABASAND OILS LIMITED

Mr. COLDWELL:

1. Has the government entered into any arrangement under which the Abasand Oils Limited is working in the development of McMurray oil sands?

2. If so, what arrangements have been made with this company or any other in connection with the development of the said oil sands?

NUTRITION PROGRAMME

Mr. BRUCE:

1. What is the government's war-time nutrition programme?

2. What is the ration of beef, bacon, eggs, milk, butter and cheese per man in the armed forces stationed in Canada?

3. Have plans been made for a constant supply of these food products for civilians as well as the armed forces?

4. If so, what are such plans?

5. Is there a price ceiling on imported fresh vegetables?

6. If not, has any precaution been taken by the government to prevent excessive charges to the consumer?

THIRD VICTORY LOAN

Mr. CHURCH:

1. What was the total cost of the last victory loan, 1942?

2. What sum was spent on advertising, canvassers, paid workers, radio, decorating, commissions, hotel expenses, rent, travelling expenses, entertainment, dinners, and all other expenses?

3. Will the minister give a breakdown of the cost of this loan?

Mr. STOKES:

1. What was the total amount raised in the last victory loan?

2. Of this, how much was subscribed, (a) by individuals, (b) by corporations?

3. What was the total cost of the last victory loan campaign?

4. Of this, how much was expended for, (a) commissions, (b) advertising, (c) radio pro-