

Mr. MACKENZIE (Vancouver): That is correct.

Mr. STEWART (Leeds): I may tell my hon. friend for Comox-Alberni that we have in the estimates \$11,500 for the particular hospital he mentions. That will help out.

Mr. DUFF: I think we had better report progress.

Mr. STEWART (Leeds): May I carry vote 191?

Mr. DUFF: There are a number of items in that vote which we wish to discuss.

Mr. STEWART (Leeds): In that case, I move that the committee rise and report progress.

Progress reported.

On motion of Mr. Bennett the house adjourned at 10.55 p.m.

Friday, May 1, 1931.

The house met at three o'clock.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

DISMISSAL OF EMPLOYEES AT NEW CARLISLE

On the orders of the day:

Hon. CHARLES MARCIL (Bonaventure): May I ask the Minister of Railways and Canals (Mr. Manion) whether he has received a request from some eighteen officials and employees of the Canadian National Railways at New Carlisle, many of them fathers of families and old employees, who have been dismissed from the service; and whether it is possible for him to do anything for the relief of these people? I understand that they have appealed to the minister, and I know that in the kindness of his heart, if he can do anything for them, he will do so. I would like to know if any steps have been taken in that matter.

Hon. R. J. MANION (Minister of Railways and Canals): I do not remember having received any representations on their behalf, but even if I should, it is a matter, of course, for the management of the railways, over which I have no control at all. I shall be very glad, however, to pass on any representations that come to me.

COLLIN'S BAY PREFERRED PENITENTIARY

On the orders of the day:

Miss AGNES MACPHAIL (Southeast Grey): I would like to ask the Minister of

Justice (Mr. Guthrie) who has been appointed as warden of the preferred penitentiary at Collin's Bay.

Hon. HUGH GUTHRIE (Minister of Justice): No permanent appointment has yet been made. The acting warden is Mr. Jackson.

SMITHFIELD BRIDGE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. W. A. FRASER (Northumberland): I should like to ask the Minister of Railways and Canals (Mr. Manion) if it is the intention of his department to replace the Smithfield bridge on the Murray canal which collapsed in August, 1930.

Hon. R. J. MANION (Minister of Railways and Canals): I do not remember anything about the matter, but I shall be very glad to look into it and give an answer later.

WHEAT MARKETING

On the orders of the day:

Mr. E. J. GARLAND (Bow River): Has the government received any invitation to the meetings of the eastern European nations to discuss the marketing of wheat, and if so, will the government be represented at those meetings?

Hon. H. H. STEVENS (Minister of Trade and Commerce): I presume the hon. gentleman refers to the meeting in London? If so, and he will put his question on the order paper in a precise form, I shall be glad to answer it. At the moment I cannot quite get the import of his question.

Mr. GARLAND (Bow River): A despatch appears in this morning's papers to the effect that meetings are being held by the Little Entente, at Mr. Briand's suggestion, to discuss wheat marketing in Europe. As the markets there affect the welfare of this country, I wondered whether the government was prepared to be represented at those meetings either in an advisory or observational capacity.

Mr. STEVENS: There is no possibility of our being invited, and certainly we should not be represented unless we were invited. Up to the present there has been no invitation. I presume that it is a meeting of certain groups preparatory to the London meeting, but I have no information with respect to the matter.

Mr. POULIOT: But Mr. Ferguson enjoys looking through the keyhole.

Mr. STEVENS: Mr. Ferguson will look after himself all right.