

action on the part of Leave-of-Absence Boards in disposing of appeals of men who have had farm experience, and whose services will be required immediately for spring work, on the farms and for seeding?

2. Has the Government taken into consideration the probable need of the appointment of additional Leave-of-Absence Boards with a view to the more expeditious disposal of appeals by men required for farm work?

General MEWBURN:

1. No.
2. Answered by No. 1.

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INFORMATION
FOR CANADA.

Mr. DEVLIN:

1. Is there a Director of Public Information for Canada?
2. If so, what is his name?
3. What salary is he paid?
4. What was his former occupation?
5. What Department of the Government has control of this office?
6. How many persons are employed in the office by the Director of Public Information?
7. What are the names of each?
8. What salary is each one receiving?
9. What was the former occupation of each and their respective salaries?
10. What is the nature of the work being done?
11. What is the estimated cost of maintaining the office per month?

Mr. ROWELL:

1. Yes.
2. M. E. Nichols.
3. \$5,000 per year.
4. Newspaper editor.
5. President of the Privy Council.
6. Ten.
- 7, 8, and 9. Frank Yeigh, \$300 per month, formerly lecturer and organizer \$350 per month.
- W. S. LeSueur, \$150 per month, formerly advertising manager, \$200 per month.
- Miss B. A. Macleod, \$75 per month, formerly stenographer Imperial Munitions Board, \$80 per month.
- Miss W. Wilson, \$100 per month, formerly journalist \$100 per month.
- Miss M. Currie, \$65 per month, formerly stenographer Federal Press, \$65 per month.
- Miss M. J. Roe, \$60 per month, recommended by Civil Service Commission.
- Miss R. G. MacLeod, \$60 per month, formerly stenographer Militia Department, \$56 per month.
- Charles Brooks, \$25 per month, office boy, \$20 per month.

Captain William Wallace, M.C., and Lieut. I. D. Johnson are also employed in the office of the Director of Public Information as editors of the Canadian Daily Record, but they are paid by the Militia Department, receiving the pay of their re-

spective ranks. Neither Captain Wallace nor Lieut. Johnson has yet been discharged from the C.E.F., in which they were serving.

10. The work carried on by the Director of Public Information is directed along the lines of giving the public the fullest possible information concerning the war and war problems, at home and abroad.

The Director of Public Information keeps in close touch with Government activities and with the work of the boards and commissions specially constituted to meet problems arising from the war. The facilities of his office are at the disposal of these various departments of government, boards, and commissions, to prepare, direct, or advise in publicity campaigns and are being utilized for that purpose.

The director will also keep in touch with the Department of Propaganda in Great Britain and with the Committee of Public Information in the United States, so as to provide the Canadian people with fuller information relating to the war and activities of the Allied Nations.

A special work undertaken by the Director of Public Information is the preparation of summaries of news and opinion of the British Empire and foreign countries, with special reference to problems arising from the war. This information will be presented in the form of a weekly review.

The Director of Public Information has also taken over the general supervision of the Canadian Daily Record, published for the use of the Canadian soldiers overseas.

Of the various activities of the Director of Public Information, particular mention may be made of the War Lecture Bureau organized early last December through which a large number of voluntary workers have been enlisted in the work of delivering patriotic speeches. The bureau is active in nearly every province in Canada and addresses have been delivered to approximately 400,000 people. It has co-operated in local campaigns for the Patriotic and Red Cross Funds and is being utilized in the campaigns for Farm Labour and Greater Production.

11. Approximately \$4,000 per month, of which nearly one-half is expended on the Canadian Daily Record published for the Canadian soldiers overseas.

EXPORTATION OF NEWSPRINT AND
MECHANICAL WOOD PULP.

Mr. LEMIEUX:

- 1 Has an Order in Council been passed providing that newsprint paper and mechanical