| Fiscal<br>Year | British<br>Columbia | Alberta | Saskat-<br>chewan | Manitoba | Ontario | Quebec | Mari-<br>times | Head<br>Office | Total |
|----------------|---------------------|---------|-------------------|----------|---------|--------|----------------|----------------|-------|
| 1930-31        | 56                  | 108     | 97                | 50       | 37      | 6      | 32             | 117            | 503   |
| 1931-32        | 40                  | 85      | 64                | 35       | 29      | 6      | 29             | 83             | 371   |
| 1932-33        | 38                  | 86      | 63                | 34       | 28      | 6      | 29             | 66             | 350   |
| 1933-34        | 38                  | 84      | 60                | 35       | 29      | 6      | 29             | 62             | 343   |
| 1934-35        | 38                  | 79      | 59                | 35       | 29      | 6      | 32             | 58             | 336   |
| 1935-36        | 38                  | 79      | 57                | 34       | 32      | 6      | 30             | 59             | 335   |
| 1936-37        | 38                  | 75      | 55                | 33       | 32      | 6      | 28             | 58             | 325   |
| 1937-38        | 35                  | 72      | 54                | 32       | 36      | 6      | 27             | 49             | 311   |
| 1938-39        | 35                  | 68      | 56                | 31       | 31      | 6      | 27             | 48             | 302   |
| 1939-40        | 28                  | 59      | 53                | 27       | 28      | 5      | 23             | 47             | 270   |
| 1940-41        | 26                  | 60      | 51                | 26       | 29      | 5      | 21             | 39             | 257   |

PURCHASE OF PLYWOOD IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

## Mr. REID:

With respect to the 1,220,720 square feet of plywoods purchased for military purposes in the province of British Columbia, what quantity was supplied by each of the three firms and what amount of money was paid each company?

#### Mr. HOWE:

The Canadian Western Lumber Company, Fraser Mills, B.C., 154,600 square feet, \$5,883.53.

B.C. Plywoods Limited, Vancouver, B.C., 1,076,120 square feet, \$32,120.39.

The department has purchased plywood from the above two companies only.

The Pacific Veneer Co., Limited, New Westminster, B.C., may have supplied birch plywood to private contractors for the construction of aeroplane propellers.

The award of plywood requirements by the department was made by the timber controller on the basis of relative production capacity of the two manufacturers.

### BUREAU OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

#### Mr. BLACK (Cumberland):

- 1. What appointments, other than clerical and stenographic, have been made to the bureau of information staff since parliament adjourned in June last?
- 2. What are, (a) the duties, (b) the salaries, (c) other allowances and expenses, of each such new appointment?
- 3. In its material intended for Canadian daily and weekly newspapers does the bureau limit itself to the issuance of purely factual news, or do some of its releases endeavour to interpret government policy?
- 4. In the cases of releases interpreting government policy, through what process of government approval do they pass before the bureau of information issues them?
- 5. Does the bureau operate abroad, or are its releases wholly for domestic distribution?

### Mr. THORSON:

- 1. (i) R. A. Farquharson.
  - (ii) Mrs. M. Luxton.
  - (iii) A. S. Grigsby.
  - (iv) Donatien Fremont.
  - (v) Miss M. Ferguson.
- 2. (a)
  - (i) Editor-in-chief, News and Feature branch.
  - (ii) Editor, Technical Source Material, consumer branch.
  - (iii) Assistant to Art and Printing Supervisor.
  - (iv) French Pamphlet Editor and Writer.
  - (v) Editor, Consumer Bulletin and Women's Feature Editor.

(b)

- (i) \$5,200 per annum.
- (ii) \$1,560 per annum.
- (iii) \$2,820 per annum.
- (iv) \$3,120 per annum.
- (v) \$2,100 per annum.
- (c) No allowances; legitimate travelling expenses, when necessary.
  - 3. Purely factual news.
  - 4. See answer to No. 3.
- 5. The bureau operates abroad, as well as in Canada.

MEADOW LAKE, SASK., POST OFFICE BUILDING

# Mrs. NIELSEN:

- 1. Were tenders invited for the building of the post office in Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan?
- 2. If so, to whom was the contract awarded and what was the amount of the successful tender?
- 3. Did the original contractor invite tenders for subcontracts?
- 4. If so, to whom were such subcontracts awarded, for what work, and, respectively, for what amounts?
- 5. What was the cost of the Meadow Lake post office building when completed?