Motions for Papers

SHORTENING AND LARD FOR SERVICE CAMPS

Mrs. Fairclough:

1. Have any purchases been made by the Department of Defence Production for requirements of shortening for the various service camps in Ontario and Quebec, during the period April 1, 1951 to March 31, 1952?

2. If so, how many pounds of shortening, and

how many pounds of lard?

Mr. Dickey:

1. Yes.

2. (a) Shortening, 320,451 pounds; (b) lard, 65,078 pounds.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS

Mrs. Fairclough:

What were the total amounts paid in unemployment insurance benefits in January, February and March, respectively, of the current year?

Mr. Cote (Verdun-La Salle): January, \$14,-012,496.88; February, \$15,571,156.15.

March figures are not available yet.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

PRINTING OF GOVERNMENT REPORTS

Mr. Thatcher:

What was the total amount of money spent during the past fiscal year by the federal government in the printing of departmental reports, bulletins, or publications of any nature, excluding Departments of National Defence and Defence Production?

PUBLIC SERVICE—SUPERANNUATION

Mr. Thatcher:

How much money has the government paid into superannuation or pension accounts (a) of civil servants, permanent and non-permanent; (b) of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police; (c) of members of the permanent forces; (d) of judges (1) in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1947; (2) in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1948; (3) in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1949; (4) in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1950; (5) in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1951; (6) in the fiscal year ended March 31, 1952?

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

OTACO LIMITED

Mr. Stewart (Winnipeg North) moved:

For a copy of all correspondence, contracts, agreements and other documents exchanged from January 1, 1946 to date, between any department of the government and Otaco Limited, of Orillia, Ontario.

He said: Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask that this motion be dropped.

Mr. Speaker: Dropped.

RED DEER RIVER PROJECT

Mr. Quelch moved:

For a copy of the final reports by P.F.R.A. officials to the federal government on the Red Deer river project.

[Mr. Howe.]

He said: I understand that there is some uncertainty as to whether or not these reports are ready; therefore I would ask that this motion stand.

Motion stands.

NON-COASTAL ESKIMO TRIBES

Mr. Knight:

For a copy of any reports made to the government during the years 1947 to 1950, inclusive, respecting certain tribes of non-coastal Eskimos living in the interior northwest of Churchill.

Mr. Winters: From a quick review of the files I know of no correspondence other than intradepartmental reports. I shall be glad to have the files searched again and if there is any correspondence other than reports from departmental officials I shall be glad to table it.

Mr. Knight: I am quite agreeable, as long as the minister is going to make that search. I can assure him that there are documents other than intradepartmental reports.

Motion agreed to.

LAC DU CERF, QUE., WHARF

Mr. Courtemanche:

For a copy of payrolls and lists of materials purchased in connection with the construction of a wharf at Lac du Cerf, Labelle county, since February, 1951.

STANDING ORDERS

SUGGESTED AMENDMENT RESPECTING DEBATES AND PROCEDURE IN COMMITTEES

Mr. Hughes Cleaver (Halton) moved:

That, in the opinion of this house, the standing orders of this house should be amended in regard to debates and in regard to procedure in standing and select committees in order to bring the rules of debate more in line with present day needs and that, inter alia, such amendments should specifically provide: (a) for the passage of allocation time orders by this house with respect to any measure brought before it and that motions for allocation time orders should be put by Mr. Speaker, including all underlying amendments, after sixty minutes of debate have elapsed; (b) for the fixation in standing orders of a time limit on debates on the address in reply to the speech from the throne and the debate on the budget, after the expiration of which periods of time, the motion and all underlying amendments would be put by Mr. Speaker; (c) for the limiting to one half hour of the debate on all procedural motions and underlying amendments; (d) for provision that at the expiration of the seventh allotted day the chairman of the committee of supply and ways and means shall forthwith and without further debate put every question necessary to dispose of all of the votes of the departmental estimates under consideration; (e) for the requirement that at least four members should rise in their seats to express opposition for a request for unanimous consent to a suspension of the rules, otherwise unanimous consent of the house to be presumed when requested.