

CANADA

# House of Commons Debates

## OFFICIAL REPORT

Tuesday, April 26, 1932

The house met at three o'clock.

### RAILWAYS AND SHIPPING

Mr. R. B. HANSON (York-Sunbury) presented the fourth and fifth reports of the select standing committee on railways and shipping owned, operated and controlled by the government.

Mr. Hanson moved that, with the consent of the house, the fifth report be concurred in.

Motion agreed to.

### UNEMPLOYMENT AND FARM RELIEF

Hon. W. A. GORDON (Minister of Labour): I desire to lay on the table of the house orders in council P.C. 922, 914, 915, 916, 926, 927, 928, 929, 945, 946, 947, 949, 950, 951, 952 and 953 passed pursuant to the provisions of the Unemployment and Farm Relief Continuance Act, 1932. All of these orders in council deal with the payment of moneys.

### EXCISE ACT AMENDMENT

Mr. SPEAKER: The bill standing in the name of the hon. member for Richmond-Wolfe (Mr. Laflèche) will be withdrawn by consent.

### ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker on behalf of the Minister of Justice (Mr. Guthrie), who is unavoidably absent, I should like to move, seconded by Mr. Stevens, that the house go into committee at the next sitting to consider the following proposed resolution:

That it is expedient to amend the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Act to provide for the appointment of a deputy commissioner, and the employment of extra constables in emergencies, and to make further provisions respecting the counting of service in the great war and in the civil service and customs-excise preventive service by officers and constables, for the purposes of pension.

He said: His Excellency the Governor General, having been made acquainted with the subject matter of this resolution, recommends it to the favourable consideration of the house.

Motion agreed to.

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### UNEMPLOYMENT AND FARM RELIEF

#### AGREEMENTS WITH PROVINCES RESPECTING MEASURES TO RELIEVE DISTRESS

Hon. W. A. GORDON (Minister of Labour) moved that the house go into committee at the next sitting to consider the following proposed resolution:

That it is expedient to bring in a measure to authorize the governor in council to enter into agreements with all or any of the provinces respecting relief measures in such province or provinces; and to pay out of the consolidated revenue fund such sums as in his discretion may be required to meet the obligations created by such agreements; to provide for special requirements in the national parks and in the drought stricken areas of the province of Saskatchewan; to assist in defraying the cost of the sale and distribution of products of field, farm, sea, river and mine; to loan money to any province on such terms as may be agreed upon and to guarantee the repayment of moneys borrowed by such province and to assist any province in any way that may be deemed necessary or advisable to provide for the relief of distress and the support and maintenance of those requiring assistance, and to loan money to and guarantee the payment of money to any public corporation or undertaking.

He said: His Excellency the Governor General, having been made acquainted with the subject matter of this resolution, recommends it to the favourable consideration of the house.

Motion agreed to.

### CONVERSION LOAN

#### RULING OF MR. SPEAKER ON POINT OF ORDER RELATIVE TO STATEMENT OF THE HON. MEMBER FOR SHERBROOKE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. SPEAKER: Before the orders of the day are proceeded with, I desire to make a statement. On Thursday, April 21, the hon. member for Quebec East (Mr. Lapointe) raised a point of order, upon which I reserved my decision. At that time the Minister of Finance (Mr. Rhodes) rose in his place and in part said:

Mr. Speaker, one week ago to-day I directed the attention of the house to an observation which had been made in the course of the budget debate by the hon. member for