

Prorogation

Mr. MOTHERWELL: That had nothing to do with this agreement of McFarland's. My right hon. friend indicated that there would have been a loss of ten to twenty cents a bushel on accepting any offer that China may have made for a quantity of wheat.

Mr. BENNETT: Which the government did not own. I tried to make it clear to the hon. gentleman—perhaps I did not speak loud enough,—that the government owned no wheat that it had to sell. The Chinese proposals contemplated the purchase of wheat at a price that involved a loss of ten to twenty cents a bushel on the part of those who had it to sell.

Mr. MOTHERWELL: That could easily have been fixed up; it is only a technicality. Someone lost more than fifteen cents in carrying charges during the last three years; do not make any mistake about that. I think that is all I have to correct.

An hon. MEMBER: That is not very much.

Mr. MOTHERWELL: And the statement on the Chinese wheat situation can wait a little longer; after prorogation there will be opportunity of discussing it publicly.

Mr. GARDINER: Before that item is carried may I ask the Minister of Trade and Commerce if there is any further information as to when it is intended to publish the Canada Year Book?

Mr. STEVENS: Yes, it will be published, but two years will be carried as one. There was considerable delay in getting certain vital information for which the final figures were being worked out in connection with the census, and which it was desired to include. We are doing what was done I think in 1927-28, carry the two years into one, but the book will come out a little earlier in the following year.

Mr. GARDINER: Can the minister give any information as to the cost of the Canadian Annual Review which is sent to members annually? Who is responsible for sending that publication to the member?

Mr. STEVENS: I could not answer that question this evening. I have not the information under my hand.

Mr. GARDINER: May I suggest to the minister that he look that matter up and compare the value of the information given in the Canada Year Book with that in the Canadian Annual Review. It seems to me it is money wasted to send such a publication to members of this house.

[Mr. Bennett.]

Mr. STEVENS: I shall advise my hon. friend.

Item agreed to.

Resolutions reported, read the second time and concurred in.

WAYS AND MEANS

SUPPLY BILL

Hon. E. N. RHODES (Minister of Finance) moved that the house go into committee of ways and means.

Motion agreed to and the house went into committee, Mr. Bury in the chair.

Mr. RHODES: moved:

Resolved, that towards making good the supply granted to His Majesty on account of certain expenses of the public service for the fiscal year ending 31st March, 1935, the sum of \$8,274,739.72 be granted out of the consolidated revenue fund of Canada.

Motion agreed to.

Resolution reported, read the second time and concurred in. Mr. Rhodes thereupon moved for leave to introduce Bill No. 129, for granting to His Majesty certain sums of money for the public service for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1935.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first and second time, considered in committee, reported, read the third time and passed.

PROROGATION OF PARLIAMENT

A message was delivered by Major A. R. Thompson, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, as follows:

Mr. Speaker, His Excellency the Governor General desires the immediate attendance of this honourable house in the chamber of the honourable the Senate.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker with the house went up to the Senate chamber.

In the Senate chamber, His Excellency the Governor General was pleased to give, in His Majesty's name, the royal assent to the following bills:

BILLS ASSENTED TO

An Act to amend the Food and Drugs Act.

An Act to improve the methods and practices of marketing of natural products in Canada and in export trade, and to make further provision in connection therewith.

An Act to amend the Canadian Farm Loan Act.

An Act to amend the Income War Tax Act.

An Act respecting the St. Clair Transit Company.

An Act respecting Shipping.