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coal from the Saskatchewan coal fields to Manitoba and Ontario? A few days ago he said that the question was under consideration.

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): It has been, but in view of the pressure of work in the house the Minister of Mines (Mr. Gordon) has not been able to arrive at any conclusion. He informed me, however, on Saturday, that the matter was still engaging his attention and he thought that some satisfactory arrangement could probably be reached.

INDIANS—INFANTILE PARALYSIS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. J. A. BRADETTE (Timiskaming): I should like to ask a question of the Minister of the Interior in regard to infantile paralysis that is prevalent amongst the Indians in the Moose Factory section. I understand an aeroplane was sent to that region with serum?

Hon. T. G. MURPHY (Minister of the Interior): A quantity of serum has been sent by aeroplane into the district affected; I understand the disease is well under control.

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INQUIRY AS TO REPRESENTATION OF CANADA AT APPROACHING MEETING

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Leader of the Opposition): Last week I asked my right hon. friend if he could indicate to the house and to the country who would be the representatives of Canada at the meeting of the League of Nations this year. He said that he could not give the information last week but he would be able to do so this week. He said that a decision had been made with regard to one of the members, but he did not wish to announce any names until the representatives were all decided upon. Is he in a position now to indicate who will be the representatives of Canada at the league. With respect to the one representative with regard to whom the decision has been made is that himself or someone else?

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): I cannot give my right hon. friend the information he desires, and I am certain he must know me well enough to appreciate the fact that under existing conditions nothing would induce me to leave this country to go to the League of Nations or any other body across the Atlantic ocean.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: I am very glad to hear that.

[Mr. R. McKenzie.]

AIR MAIL SERVICE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. C. R. McINTOSH (North Battleford): Since the Postmaster General (Mr. Sauvé) is not in his seat, could or would the Prime Minister inform the house and the country as to the approximate date when the government will be able to arrive at a decision in connection with air mail routes in the west?

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Prime Minister): Between now and August 15 there will be an immediate curtailment of air mail service in western Canada and in other parts of the country as well.

JASPER PARK—MOUNT ROBSON

On the orders of the day:

Hon. CHARLES STEWART (West Edmonton): May I ask the Minister of the Interior if any progress has been made with the government of British Columbia in the matter of including Mount Robson in the Jasper Park area? Has the matter been under consideration?

Hon. T. G. MURPHY (Minister of the Interior): An offer of Mount Robson has been made by the British Columbia government to the Dominion government. The matter is still under consideration.

SUPPLY

DRAINAGE OF WATERHEN LAKE—TERMINAL OF HUDSON BAY RAILWAY

On the order:

House again in committee of supply (the message of His Excellency with estimates, supplementary, and further estimates, referred).

Hon. W. R. MOTHERWELL (Melville): Before you leave the chair, Mr. Speaker, I desire to discuss one or two questions. It is somewhat late to bring them up, but it is never too late to mend. First I wish to refer to a reference made by the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Weir) in his maiden speech in this house and to a reply which was given to a question of mine on May 13, 1931, with reference to a certain lake in the riding of the hon. minister called Waterhen lake. Before discussing that I wish to give notice to the Minister of Railways and Canals (Mr. Manion) of a little matter that I propose to discuss with him. It is with respect to a statement he made regarding the Hudson Bay railway and the alleged approval of the Hon. George P. Graham of the port of Nelson. The minister will have time to look that up