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6. Under the Canada Grain Act, what authority determines or approves of the schedule of rates or tariffs charged in elevators operating in Canada?

On May 11 those questions were passed as an order for return. On May 18 I received what purport to be answers, reading as follows:

1. No.

2, 3, 4 and 5. Answered by No. 1.

6. The Board of Grain Commissioners for Canada, as to the fixing of maximum charges.

The question I wish to ask is this: Will the Minister of Transport lay on the table of the house a letter which was sent by a member of the national harbours board to Mr. Kaiser of the Dreyfus Company of New York in the month of April—I have not the exact date,—together with a memorandum attached thereto, setting forth certain reduced rates for handling grain from lake vessels to the elevator at Quebec and from elevator to ocean vessels and agreeing to free storage and confirming an understanding previously arrived at?

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): I have no knowledge myself as to whether or not any such correspondence exists. I shall in the first instance have to speak to the minister. He would have to say what it would be proper to table. I shall have pleasure in doing that.

## UNEMPLOYMENT

## CONCENTRATION OF SINGLE UNEMPLOYED MEN IN VANCOUVER—OCCUPATION OF POST OFFICE BUILDING

On the orders of the day:

Mr. ANGUS MacINNIS (Vancouver East): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Minister of Labour (Mr. Rogers) if he can give the house any further information with regard to the single unemployed situation in the city of Vancouver.

Hon. NORMAN McL. ROGERS (Minister of Labour): I have no further information to add to what has appeared in the press from day to day. My understanding is that the provincial government is dealing with this question as a matter of relief administration within the control of the province. I have nothing to add at this time to the statement I made some days ago.

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Leader of the Opposition): While the Minister of Labour (Mr. Rogers) is dealing with this matter, perhaps he would answer a question I should like to ask. Is the floor surface of the post office building in Vancouver still occupied by single unemployed men?

[Mr. Stevens.]

Mr. ROGERS: Our latest information is that the floor of the post office building is still being occupied. However, from the beginning there has been nothing in the nature of disorder and nothing that has interfered with the transaction of public business.

Hon. H. H. STEVENS (Kootenay East): I wonder if the minister has been advised, as I was yesterday by a gentleman who came through by air, that not only is the floor of the post office being occupied but it is being used as a sort of sports field where games have been set up and so on. It is a sort of public gymnasium for these men. That is the real use to which it is being put. It strikes me that we ought to have something more than the mere answer that these men have occupied the place and that there has been no disruption of business.

Hon. W. D. EULER (Acting Postmaster General): The latest news received, and I have not had any to-day, does not bear out the rumour voiced by my hon. friend. The information we have is that strikers to the number of about five or six hundred are congregated in the lobby of the post office, but they are conducting themselves fairly well. There is no information whatever that they are conducting sports or games. However, I shall make inquiry immediately with regard to this matter.

Mr. STEVENS: There is no doubt about it.

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## STATEMENT OF PRIME MINISTER AS TO FURTHER LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM FOR THIS SESSION

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I promised to give my right hon. friend (Mr. Bennett) and the house information concerning the remainder of the legislative program of the present session. I do not wish to be held too strictly to account in respect of the measures I am now indicating, that they include absolutely everything that will be brought down, but so far as I can see at the moment there may be some legislation growing out of the reports of committees of the house and out of the reports of the royal commissions that have been recently tabled, also of course legislation arising out of the budget. Apart from those possible measures, there will be legislation introduced with respect to low-cost and low-rental housing and to authorize loans to municipalities for self-liquidating projects; a Canadian National railways finance and guarantee act; amendments to the National Parks Act, the Judges