

War Appropriation Bill

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): I do not want the minister to read them if they can be placed on *Hansard*.

Mr. HOWE: I cannot put this on *Hansard*, but I shall have a list made up which can be placed upon *Hansard*.

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): We would not be able to close the committee because we would not know what we were going to get. The fact is that the information is not in the shape in which it could be placed upon *Hansard*.

Mr. LAPOINTE (Quebec East): This is only one part of the resolution.

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): There will be a lot more.

Mr. LAPOINTE (Quebec East): We could go on with something else.

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): We started on this.

Mr. HOWE: Cockshutt Plow Company, Limited, Brantford, 25-pounder shell machining, \$313,288, United Kingdom account.

Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, Trail, British Columbia, ammonia, \$1,162,500, United Kingdom account. The same company, ammonia and ammonium nitrate, \$7,260,830, United Kingdom account.

Corman Engineering Company, Toronto, gears, \$1,000, Canadian account. Corman Engineering Company, Toronto, gauges, \$12,500, Canadian account.

Crane Limited, Montreal, 40 mm. shells, \$155,138, United Kingdom account.

Defence Industries Limited, Nobel, cordite, TNT, and rifle cordite, \$10,572,800, United Kingdom account.

Defence Industries Limited, desalaberry island, Quebec, cannon powder, rifle powder, DNT, TNT and tetryl, \$18,670,973, United Kingdom.

Defence Industries Limited, Shawinigan Falls, hexachlorethane, \$284,375, United Kingdom account.

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): Is that a subsidiary of Canadian Industries Limited?

Mr. HOWE: Yes, of the war industries. They have been segregated under Defence Industries Limited.

Defence Industries Limited, Winnipeg, cordite, \$9,035,000, United Kingdom account.

Defence Industries Limited, Pickering, Ontario, and Ste. Therese, ammunition filling plants, \$15,000,000, joint account, $\frac{7}{8}$ ths United Kingdom, $\frac{1}{8}$ th Canadian.

Mr. MacNICOL: Is the plant at Pickering in operation?

[Mr. Howe.]

Mr. HOWE: Not yet. Ground was broken about a month ago and it takes a little longer than that to get into operation.

Mr. MacNICOL: My information was that the ground had only been broken.

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): This is an advance.

Mr. MacNICOL: The whole amount would not be an advance.

Mr. HOWE: Defence Industries Limited, Beloeil, Quebec, propellants for test purposes, \$75,000, Canadian account.

Defence Industries Limited, Windsor, Ont., for carbamate, \$200,000, Canadian account, with some United Kingdom participation.

Defence Industries, Limited, Montreal, 303 small arms ammunition, detonators, fuses, gains, \$8,619,413, for United Kingdom account. In that case there has been an accountable advance for working capital to the top limit of \$3,350,000.

Defence Industries, Limited, Verdun, P.Q., small arms ammunition, \$675,000, United Kingdom account.

DeHavilland Aircraft Company of Canada, Limited, West Toronto, aeroplane fuselages, \$130,000, Canadian account. The same company, the principal overhaul depot, \$136,239, Canadian account. The same company, manufacture of Anson fuselages, machinery and assembly, \$767,875, Canadian account.

Dominion Bridge Company Limited, Montreal, 3.7 and 4-inch shell cartridge cases, \$83,850, Canadian account. Dominion Bridge Company, Limited, Montreal—

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): Would the minister allow me a question? Was it necessary to make that advance to a great company like the Dominion Bridge? Surely they can finance anything. Or is it more advantageous to have it done so? It may ease matters for the minister if he would just give us a brief explanation. Why does the Dominion Bridge company require this, or was it thrust upon them? I do not suppose it was thrust upon them. They are a big corporation; they can go to the banks and get all the money they want. Is it easier for them to do it that way than to take the money out of their own treasury or go to their own bankers, or what?

Mr. HOWE: I may say that we try to place all the business we can with plants which furnish their own facilities. We exhaust that possibility first. We then try to induce private plants to install the facilities that we require; and arrangements have been made through the establishment of the war contracts depreciation board to permit acceler-