

The Department of Mines and Technical Surveys requires extra money for field and air surveys, mapping and aeronautical charting, for marine surveys and research, for geological research, for geographical surveys and research, and as well for continued work in the Arctic on the polar continental shelf project. Obviously these are projects in which field parties are at work in the summer months. The largest part of the expenditures in connection with these items is incurred at this time, and by October 31 a good many of these accounts will require to be paid.

In the National Film Board the additional proportion is required because certain payments for contracts in which they are involved are coming due, and for that reason extra money is thought to be required before October 31.

In the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources the usual kind of summer work is being done with respect to wildlife conservation in the parks and the National Battlefields Commission. Again, the extra money is required before the weather turns cold. Likewise, the water resources section of that department requires extra money in connection with water gauging installations now being undertaken.

In the Privy Council some money is required now in connection with the work of the Centennial Commission on projects of national rather than local significance, and a commitment has been made which requires money before October 31.

In the Department of Transport there are certain administrative accounts which require payment earlier in the year than normally can be expected because of the late passage of the estimates, and this additional proportion is required.

**Hon. Mr. McCutcheon:** Would the Leader of the Government allow a question? I am a little puzzled by this item. I understand his explanation up to date, but what items under the heading "Departmental Administration" are required to be paid outside of the regular cycle of the fiscal year?

**Hon. Mr. Connolly (Ottawa West):** I am informed that there are certain items in connection with the payment for work done by consultants in the Department of Transport who have been engaged upon projects recommended by the Glassco Commission. I understand too there are some equipment rental payments to fall due before the end of October. There are some travel items that have been or will be incurred which require a little extra money under this particular item. I think this is the first time any additional requirement has been sought on item No. 1 of the Department of Transport. I notice that

the honourable senator is looking at the main estimates or the supplementary estimates. Perhaps there is more information there than I have given. It may also be explained a little more clearly.

**Hon. Mr. Brooks:** I am concerned with the large amount of \$3,773,000, compared with the total estimate of \$14,000,000.

**Hon. Mr. Connolly:** Well, it is one-twelfth of the total which is being sought here.

I come now to the last item in schedule C, which is loans, investments and advances. This contains an item of \$2,000,000 to be loaned to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation in connection with the consolidation of its facilities in the City of Montreal.

In Schedule D, on page 8, it is proposed to grant two-twelfths of the item, amounting to a total of \$229,656.67. So far as the Department of Justice is concerned, this item deals with certain pensions, which it is proposed to pay or to increase—and at any rate all pensions will now be upon the same basis—for widows of certain penitentiary officers who were killed on duty. I understand that some of these pensions were granted by Parliament many years ago. Others were granted quite recently. It was felt that the earlier pensions were inadequate. It is now proposed to put them all on the same basis and to pay a reasonable amount in each case.

The last item in Schedule D covers the loan to the Government of India to finance purchases of aircraft and aircraft parts in Canada by that country. We discussed this matter in connection with an earlier bill, and the amount now proposed to be granted would leave one-twelfth of this item ungranted.

Honourable senators, I think that is all I can say at the moment about this bill.

**Hon. A. J. Brooks:** Honourable senators, as the honourable Leader of the Government has told us, the supply bill has been somewhat delayed in arriving in this chamber.

**Hon. Mr. McCutcheon:** Not unduly delayed.

**Hon. Mr. Brooks:** Not unnecessarily delayed. However, the Leader of the Government has given a very full explanation of the bill. It is the usual explanation, as the honourable leader well knows.

He has also given us the usual guarantees that there is no prejudice so far as obtaining further information is concerned. It is my experience that all interim supply bills are the same in this regard; there is no prejudice so far as the intention to give further information is concerned, but as each bill comes