

correspondence and documents referred to in his motion I shall be glad to let him see them, but I do not think they should be tabled in the house.

**JAPANESE NATIONALS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA—
REMOVAL TO OTHER AREAS**

Mr. GREEN:

For a copy of all agreements and letters between the dominion government and/or the British Columbia security commission and any provincial government dealing with the removal of persons of the Japanese race from their respective provinces.

PRISONERS OF WAR

**EXCHANGE OF WOUNDED AT SMYRNA—QUESTION
AS TO INCLUSION OF CANADIANS**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. GORDON GRAYDON (Leader of the Opposition): I should like to address a question to the Prime Minister. A news dispatch from Ankara, Turkey, which appeared in the press of Saturday last states that twelve hundred British wounded prisoners of war are to be given up by the axis in return for twelve hundred of their wounded men. The exchange, it is stated, will take place at Smyrna. Can the Prime Minister inform the house whether or not any wounded Canadian prisoners of war will be included in this exchange?

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): I regret that I am not in a position to give my hon. friend any information.

INTERNATIONAL CURRENCY

**INQUIRY AS TO TABLING OF BRITISH AND UNITED
STATES PROPOSALS**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. J. H. BLACKMORE (Lethbridge): I should like to direct a question to the Prime Minister. The other day he indicated that he would table at an early date the proposals from the United States and Great Britain for their respective plans for international currency stabilization. Can he say when the house may expect these documents to be tabled?

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): Just as soon as I get them from the officers of the department.

MILK

REPORTED SHORTAGE AT FLIN FLON

On the orders of the day:

Hon. J. G. GARDINER (Minister of Agriculture): The hon. member for Rosetown-

Biggar (Mr. Coldwell) asked a question the other day with regard to supplies of milk at Flin Flon. Just before the question was asked there had been a shortage. That shortage was supplied by having some shipments sent in. The shortage was created because of the necessity for accumulating milk to ship overseas. I understand the cause is past and there is no likelihood of any further difficulty.

Mr. COLDWELL: I have a letter by air mail to-day reiterating the complaint. I sent the minister this morning a copy of the material part of the letter.

Mr. GARDINER: I understand a few cars have been ordered in, and no further difficulty is anticipated after they arrive.

WAYS AND MEANS

**MUNITIONS AND SUPPLY—ADJOURNMENT OF
DEBATE ON FRIDAY LAST BECAUSE OF BLACKOUT**

Hon. J. L. ILSLEY (Minister of Finance) moved that the house go into committee of ways and means.

Mr. JEAN-FRANÇOIS POULIOT (Témiscouata): I have a few remarks to make in connection with a deplorable incident that occurred on Friday evening, when we were discussing the bill to give new life to the Department of Munitions and Supply. That bill received first reading on February 24. According to an amendment passed in 1941, not according to the original statute, the life of this department was to end on Friday night at twelve o'clock. Though the bill to extend the life of the department had been before parliament for a month and a half the minister waited not until the last day but until the last evening to move second reading. The debate was going on when you, Mr. Speaker, said there would be a blackout in Ottawa. I understood there was to be a surprise blackout for the whole city.

Mr. CRUICKSHANK: We have one here now.

Mr. POULIOT: There are none so blind as those who close their eyes, and none so deaf as those who will not hear. I always abide by the law; I thought the blackout was a war-time regulation applying to the whole city. I did not protest. I took it for granted that the blackout of which we were informed a few minutes before it occurred, was to be complete; therefore I went to my room. To my great surprise, however, I saw glaring lights all over the city. The lamps on the posts in these grounds were burning; the windows of the Rideau club were lighted, and I found that the blackout was only for the House of Com-