

programme does not call for just this type of appeal, I feel that it is appropriate for me to emphasize to the one-time members of the national war finance organization, and indeed to all Canadians, the advantages of personal thrift. To the extent that former members of the national war finance organization agree that the new programme will bring benefits, I am confident that they will lend moral support to this new national endeavour by example, by word of mouth, and by other means within their sphere of influence. To the extent that Canadians in general agree, they will find simple means of expression in their own personal investment in Canada savings bonds.

Mr. COLDWELL: I notice that the lowest denomination is \$50. Is nothing to be done to encourage small savings up to \$5 and \$10, in view of the discontinuance of savings certificates?

Mr. ILSLEY: To a substantial extent these will be paid for by payroll deductions, which will naturally be in small amounts.

Mr. COLDWELL: I thought this was to be a voluntary saving.

Mr. ILSLEY: It is voluntary, but the method by which much of the money will be obtained will be by payroll deductions voluntarily allowed.

Mr. COLDWELL: It is to be voluntary deduction from the payroll of the individual.

Mr. ILSLEY: Yes. That is clear from the statement I made, and the lowest denomination will be \$50.

Mr. LOW: Will these bonds be assignable?

Mr. ILSLEY: No; they must be registered.

Mr. COLDWELL: Principal and interest are guaranteed. There will be no fluctuation in the value of the bonds?

Mr. ILSLEY: No. There is no fluctuation in value.

Mr. COLDWELL: That is a good feature.

JAPANESE IN CANADA

REPATRIATION TO JAPAN—ARRIVAL OF FIRST PARTY

On the orders of the day:

Hon. HUMPHREY MITCHELL (Minister of Labour): Hon. members will be interested in knowing that a cablegram was received by the Department of Labour to-day informing us that the first party of Japanese repatriates from Canada has landed in Japan. As I previously stated, the number in this first party was 668.

[Mr. Ilesley.]

SUPPLY

The house in committee of supply, Mr. Macdonald (Brantford City) in the chair.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

96. Departmental administration, \$199,970.

Mr. CHURCH: I wish to refer to the administration of the Department of Justice and a few matters which I have had before the house for some time. The first matter to which I should like to refer is judicial reform which I have raised in the house for many years, along with parliamentary reforms, constitutional reform, cabinet reform, and law reform. Under the item, departmental administration, an opportunity is provided hon. members to refer to the administration of the department. For years I have urged in the house that the time has come for us to revise the criminal code which was passed in 1905 for the first time. Amendments have been added each year to this code, and some of them have become obsolete.

In the second place I have urged on the minister and on his two predecessors the appointment of a legal committee such as they have in some of the legislatures. We had evidence of the need of a legal committee in the past few weeks when we were considering the British North America Act and other private and public and legal bills. The Ontario legislature has a legal committee, and I believe that province was the first to establish one. The other provinces have, I believe, now followed suit.

Many bills are coming before us. A private bill was introduced this afternoon and it had for its purpose the changing of the constitution and structure of a private society. A private bill such as that is a legal bill, and it should go to a committee.

Another thing we require is a consolidation of our statutes. You have to take the original criminal code and go through thirty-two or thirty-four years to seek amendments which are made every session.

We are now in the sixty-eighth day of the session and we have yet to learn whether the Department of Justice proposes to bring down this session any statutory amendments to the criminal code. Many recommendations have been made to the minister by the chief constables' association, judges, municipalities and law societies regarding law and order in the country, which is difficult to obtain at the present time. The chief constables' association, the Canadian Bar Association and many other public bodies have made representations, and something should be done about it.