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OVERSEAS MILITARY MATTERS AIRED IN PARLIAMENT

The Matter Brought Up by Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux—The Bruce and Baptie Reports on the Medical Service Discussed—Sir Sam Hughes Takes a Whack at Sir Geo. Perley's Statement by the Minister of Militia.

Ottawa, April 15—Overseas administration of military matters engaged the attention of the house today to the exclusion of other business. When the government moved to take up consideration of supply Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux precipitated a debate on military matters. He dealt more particularly with the charges made by Brigadier-General Smart, Colonel Pratt and other overseas officers, who on their return to Canada in recent weeks have voiced complaints against the overseas administration. Speaking at considerable length the ex-minister covered all the ground dealt with in these charges. He said that the public were entitled to know if they were true. The acting prime minister had not, he said paid sufficient attention to General Smart's assertions.

He urged the appointment of an impartial commission to inquire into the whole question of overseas administration, including the Bruce report.

Major-General Mewburn, in reply, referred to the delicacy of his position in view of the fact that he is not responsible for the overseas administration. He was quite prepared however to defend the officers against whom charges could be made. He noted in regard to General Smart's allegations that they were not very specific and that he wanted matters inquired into that occurred years ago. He remarked that when he was in England General Smart had made no complaint.

Why was he not man enough to tell me if there was anything wrong?" he queried. General Mewburn denied that there had been friction between himself and the overseas authorities, and announced that Sir Edward Kemp would return to Canada soon and give a full report on his administration to parliament.

Sir Thomas White, who also spoke at length, vigorously defended Sir George Perley and Sir Edward Kemp. He described Sir George Perley as the most capable man with whom he has ever transacted business. The acting prime minister promised that an inquiry would be granted if any member of the house on his responsibility as a member would make charges, but he did not consider it wise to pay too much attention to promiscuous statements of returned men. He thought it objectionable in the extreme that such charges should be made against defenceless ministers and declared that the officers at Argyle House were doing their work at great sacrifice. Such charges would have a tendency to demoralize them.

Sir Sam Hughes criticized the government because the Baptie report and the Bruce reply to it had not been tabled. He failed to agree with Sir Thomas as to the business ability of Sir George Perley and said that the cause of the first friction in England had been because of "kow-towing to these young subordinates of the war office."

D. D. Mackenzie, opposition leader, said it was not right that a man bearing the title of brigadier-general should be branded as a liar. The house had a right to believe that the officers who had made charges believed their statements to be true.

Soon after 11 o'clock the debate petered out, and the house went into committee of supply.

Inquiry Demanded

This afternoon on motion to go into supply, Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux made reference to the charges which have recently been made against the administration of the military department overseas and declared that there should be an investigation at the earliest moment possible. However, he said that he did not intend to impugn the administration of the military department under General Mewburn but he would certainly impugn his administration if after the disclosures had been made he did not consider it necessary to hold an inquiry and probe the whole matter to the bottom.

Mr. Lemieux said he was informed that a report on the finance administration of the overseas medical department had been made by Lieut.-Colonel Jenkins at the request of the overseas military authorities. It was most important that this report should be tabled in the house in the present session. From information which he had received said Mr. Lemieux he understood Colonel Jenkins had found a leakage of \$10,000,000 in the finances of the overseas medical department. The Jenkins report was now in the hands of Sir Edward Kemp. It was impossible to say when it would be presented to the government, but Mr. Lemieux insisted that it should be tabled.

After reading Brigadier General Smart's charges, Mr. Lemieux remarked that they were nothing new. During the session of 1916, rumors came to the house that the medical services overseas were being impaired through the intrusion of outside influence. The government appointed Dr. Bruce one of the best surgeons in Canada to investigate—and here Mr. Lemieux read the conclusions of Dr. Bruce's first report. Sir George Perley, Mr. Lemieux went on, found the report so severe against the government that he thought that by appointing another commission, the government might perhaps evade responsibility. Sir William Baptie, an imperial officer, was appointed with other commissioners and the object of the new commission was to investigate Dr. Bruce's commission—a ridiculous state of affairs. Sir George Perley instead of standing by the Canadian officer who had fearlessly done his duty by the government and by the Canadian army dismissed Dr. Bruce practically, by getting him another appointment in France.

General Mewburn said he felt in a somewhat delicate position. When he took office he was aware there was a minister of militia overseas and the minister of militia in Canada was not in anyway responsible for what took place there. However, he was prepared to defend officers against any slander or from any mud which might be thrown against them.

General Mewburn continued that General Smart's charges were not very specific.

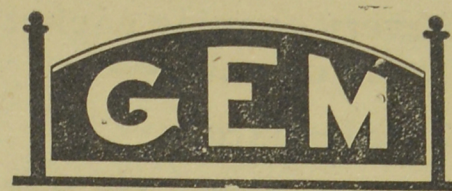
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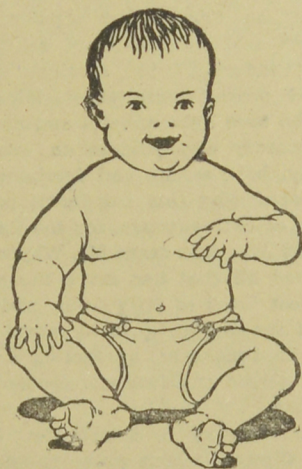
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