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The Committee of the Privy Council have had before them a report, dated 12th February, 1918, from the Minister of Agriculture, stating that by order of the Military Authorities, Leave of Absence Boards have been constituted for each Military District for the purpose of dealing with applications for leave of absence of persons ordered to report for duty under the Military Service Act, 1917, and

That in view of the growing necessity of maintaining and increasing the food production of the country, it is necessary to give special attention to applications made on behalf of farmers and farm labourers for such leave, and to that end it is expedient that an agricultural representative be appointed for each Military District to act as adviser to the Board in cases in which agricultural interests are involved.

The Minister, therefore, recommends that he be authorized to appoint such a representative for each Military District for the above purpose and that such representatives be paid at the rate of \$5.00 per diem while actually engaged in performing their duties as aforesaid, together with their actual expenses incurred while so engaged, such payment to be made out of the War Appropriation, and further that any appointments of such representatives heretofore made by him be confirmed.

The Committee concur in the above recommendation and submit the same for approval.

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