

Canadian Commons Proposes Indians Should Work Own Affairs

OTTAWA (Special) Canada's 220,000 Indians should be allowed to manage their own affairs in their own way, members of all parties said in the Commons last week.

White paternalism and prejudice were denounced by many members of parliament.

They proposed that Indians be given full control over their reserves, their welfare services and their police protection. These moves would reduce cultural conflicts and restore Indian self-confidence speakers asserted.

"The Indians are taught from the cradle to hate us," Jack Bigg said. "The white man rams his way of life down their throats and ignores their historic treaty rights involving land, mining, hunting and fishing.

"I again beg that the Indian claims commission, promised

for 50 years, be brought into being..."

The House passed the Indian Affairs budget for \$228,583,720.