

Questions

Heidelberg, Germany, is the headquarters of the Canadian immigration mission directing the work of teams selecting and examining displaced persons in Germany and Austria. Immigration facilities are provided at the following diplomatic missions: Oslo, Norway; Copenhagen, Denmark; Stockholm, Sweden; Berne, Switzerland; Lisbon, Portugal; Athens, Greece; Prague, Czechoslovakia; Warsaw, Poland; and Moscow, U.S.S.R.

3. At Paris, two immigration officers, one doctor from the Department of National Health and Welfare, and clerical staff. At Brussels, one immigration officer, one doctor from the Department of National Health and Welfare, and clerical staff. At The Hague, three immigration officers, two medical officers from the Department of National Health and Welfare, and clerical staff. At Rome, Italy, one immigration officer, one doctor from the Department of National Health and Welfare, and clerical staff.

The Canadian immigration mission in Germany consists of the immigration officer in charge of mission with clerical staff at Heidelberg. Six immigration inspectors, six medical officers, six special security officers, three interpreters, one immigration woman officer, six selection officers, from the Department of Labour.

At other places listed above, work is performed by officials of the Department of External Affairs.

4. The need for other stations is constantly under review.

WHEAT PRODUCED AND DELIVERED TO WHEAT BOARD

Mr. ROSS (Souris):

1. (a) What were the total bushels of wheat produced in Canada in 1945? (b) What were the total bushels of wheat delivered to the Canadian wheat board for 1945 as at July 31, 1946?

2. (a) What were the total bushels of wheat produced in Canada in 1946? (b) What were the total bushels of wheat delivered to the Canadian wheat board for 1946 as at July 31, 1947?

3. (a) What were the total bushels of wheat produced in Canada in 1947? (b) What is the estimate of total bushels of wheat that will be delivered to the Canadian wheat board for 1947 as at July 31, 1948?

Mr. McILRAITH:

1. (a) The total bushels of wheat produced in Canada in the crop year 1945-46 were 318,512,000; (b) Deliveries to the Canadian wheat board in that year were 237,297,178 bushels.

2. (a) The total bushels of wheat produced in Canada in the crop year 1946-47 were 413,725,000; (b) The number of bushels delivered to the Canadian wheat board in that year were 335,108,427.

[Mr. Glen.]

3. (a) The total bushels of wheat produced in Canada in the crop year 1947-48 are estimated by the third estimate of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics at 340,767,000; (b) A recent estimate indicates probable deliveries of 270,278,809 bushels of wheat to the Canadian wheat board during the current crop year.

ADVANCES UNDER EXPORT CREDITS INSURANCE ACT

Mr. McMASTER:

1. What is the amount to date of the advances to the countries other than the United Kingdom under section 22 of the Export Credits Insurance Act?

2. What are the amounts advanced to each individual country?

3. Was there any agreement with the different countries as to the maintenance of the value of their currency?

4. Were the agreements as to repayment of the loans uniform with the different countries? If not, what were the variations?

Mr. MAYHEW:

1 and 2.

	Advances at January 31, 1948
Belgium	\$ 67,000,000 00
China	35,288,027 97
Czechoslovakia	13,749,398 36
France	200,725,000 00
Netherlands	104,760,170 80
Netherlands Indies	11,450,000 00
Norway	19,962,000 00
U.S.S.R.	2,866,098 69

Total \$455,800,695 82

3. No. The loans are repayable in Canadian dollars or fine gold at the option of the borrowing government—the value of the fine gold to be calculated at the official Canadian buying price.

4. The basic principles applied under the agreements for the repayments of the loans are substantially the same for all countries. The average length of the term of the loans varies and the interest rate varies depending upon the length of the term of the loan.

Copies of all agreements under the Export Credits Insurance Act have been tabled in the House of Commons as appendices to the annual report required under the act.

STRAIT OF CANSO BRIDGE OR CAUSEWAY

Mr. MacLEAN:

1. Has a report been submitted to the government in connection with the construction of a bridge or causeway across the strait of Canso?

2. What is the width of this strait at its narrowest point, and the average depth of the water?

3. What is the average yearly tonnage crossing this strait during the past ten years, also the average number of passengers carried during said period?