April 16, 1969

COMMONS DEBATES

STAMP VENDING MACHINES

Question No. 1,874-Mr. Macquarrie:

How many stamp vending machines were in service on each of the following dates: December 1, 1968, January 1, 1969, February 1, 1969, March 1, 1969?

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Minister of Communications): In so far as the Post Office Department is concerned: December 1, 1968, 2,888; January 1, 1969; 2,878; February 1, 1969, 2,878; March 1, 1969, 2,886.

C.B.C. PAYMENTS TO RADIO NORD, INC.

Question No. 1,883-Mr. Laprise:

In the last five years, how much has the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation paid to Radio Nord, Inc., for radio and television broadcasting?

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): I am informed by the C.B.C. as follows: Over the last five years, the C.B.C. has turned over to Radio Nord Inc., certain sums of money representing the latter's share of the commercial revenue for the C.B.C. programs it broadcasts, as a result of the terms of its contracts of affiliation with the C.B.C. It is not customary to reveal these amounts as they are of a confidential nature.

SECONDING FROM SOUTH AFRICAN OR RHODESIAN FORCES

Question No. 1,899-Mr. Broadbent:

1. Do the Canadian Defence Forces have any personnel seconded to them or associated with them in any way who are members of either the Defence or Armed Forces of the Union of South Africa or Rhodesia?

2. If so, (a) how many and (b) where are they stationed at present?

3. Where were they stationed in June 1968, if applicable?

Mr. D. W. Groos (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of National Defence): 1. No. 2. and 3. Not applicable.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

SUBSIDIES PROVIDED BY EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Question No. 1,337-Mr. Robinson:

1. Does the Department of External Affairs provide subsidies and/or support programs for any segment of the economy, groups or individuals, inside Canada and, if so, to what extent, in what amounts, and to whom are the amounts paid?

2. What amounts have been paid for subsidies and/or support programs during each of the years 1960-68 inclusive?

Return tabled.

Orders for Returns

CROWN CORPORATIONS—AMENDMENT OF LETTERS PATENT

Question No. 1,403-Mr. Caouette:

In the last four years, did any Crown corporations have their letters patent amended and, if so (a) in what year (b) what was the purpose of each such amendment?

Return tabled.

TELEVISION SETS—DETAILS OF MANUFACTURE AND DISPOSITION

Question No. 1,462-Mr. McGrath:

1. What was the total value of sales in Canada during 1968 of (a) black and white, and (b) colour television sets, at both the wholesale and retail level?

2. How many sets in both (a) and (b) were sold during the year?

3 What proportion of sets in both (a) and (b) above were manufactured by Canadian companies, by Japanese companies, by United States companies, by other foreign companies?

4. How many Canadian companies manufacturing colour television sets are controlled by parent companies in the United States and, are there any such companies, or Canadian-owned companies, engaged merely in finishing half-built sets imported from the United States?

5. Were any unsold 1968 colour television sets shipped by their Canadian manufacturers to the United States and, if so (a) under what arrangements (b) at what unit price (c) was such action taken upon mutual agreement among Canadian manufacturers and, if so, who determined the unit sale price?

6. Did Canadian manufacturers report a loss in the difference between the cost of manufacturing each coloured television set and the price received upon shipment of each 1968 model to the United States and, if so, has the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs investigated whether any such losses are reflected in the prices of 1969 coloured TV models now on sale in Canada?

7. Have either or both the Consumer and Corporate Affairs Branch or the Restrictive Trade Practices Commission of the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs reviewed recent developments in the television manufacturing industry and, if so, has either Branch taken any action in regard to safeguarding Canadian purchasers of coloured television sets in 1969?

Return tabled.

MAN AND HIS WORLD—EVALUATION OF OPERATION

Question No. 1,479-Mr. Fortin:

1. Did the City of Montreal make any proposals concerning "Man and His World" and, if so, what was the federal government's response?

2. Has the government estimated the number of persons who will be unemployed following the closing of "Man and His World" and, if so, what is such estimate and, if not, will such an estimate be made?