TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAY, N.B.

Question No. 464-Mr. Stewart:

1. What is the route of the trans-Canada highway between the New Brunswick border and North Sydney, N.S.?

2. How many miles of the highway between the New Brunswick border and North Sydney have been built to trans-Canada standards with the assistance of federal funds?

3. How many miles of the trans-Canada highway between New Glasgow and the Canso causeway were built to trans-Canada standards with federal funds?

4. Was the stretch of highway between the eastern end of the Antigonish by-pass and Heatherton constructed with the aid of federal funds and, if so, what was the total federal contribution?

5. What percentage of the total cost of this stretch of highway between the Antigonish bypass and Heatherton was paid out of federal funds?

Answer by: Mr. McCleave:

1. From the New Brunswick-Nova Scotia border to Oxford; thence via route 4 to the strait of Canso, crossing the strait via the causeway to Port Hastings; thence via Whycocomagh, Baddeck and Little Bras d'Or to the Newfoundland ferry terminal at North Sydney.

2. 119 miles.

3. 8.9 miles, including the Sutherland river bridge and approaches.

4. Yes. Federal contribution \$641,248.42.

5. 50 per cent.

CHAPLEAU COUNTY, QUE., PUBLIC WORKS

Question No. 465-Mr. Laprise:

1. What works are now being carried out by the Department of Public Works in the county of Chapleau?

2. What amount of money has been voted for the said works?

Answer by: Mr. McCleave:

1. Parent, post office building,—\$21,978.50; Taschereau, wharf repairs,—\$1,500; Taschereau river, (Belcourt), dredging—\$650.

2. Answered by 1.

*AUTOMOBILE ENGINE IMPORTS

Question No. 466-Mr. Martin (Essex East):

1. What was the value of automobile engines imported from the United States in 1961?

2. Were they dutiable, and, if so, what was the rate of duty charged?

Mr. Hees:

1. Imports of automobile engines (including some engine parts) from the United States in 1961, totalled \$15,993,752 (import statistical classes 5242 and 5266).

2. Dutiable imports of automobile engines (including some engine parts) from the United States in 1961 totalled \$14,338,780. The average ad valorem rate of duty on these imports was 24.7 per cent.

Questions

RICHELIEU WATERWAY—MAKING OF REPRESENTATIONS

Question No. 467-Mr. Morris:

In its examination of the economic consequences of the Richelieu-Champlain waterway and its effects in Canada and the United States, does the international board set up by the international joint commission intend to provide an opportunity for others to make known their views and, if so, will such representations to the board be received in (a) public hearings (b) private hearings (c) correspondence only?

Answer by: Mr. Diefenbaker:

I am informed by the chairman of the Canadian section, international joint commission, as follows:

The answer to the question as posed is no. But, in accordance with its usual practice, the international joint commission itself will provide for public hearings at which all interested parties will have an opportunity to express their views. Announcement of the dates and places for hearings will be made public well in advance so as to give ample time for preparation of briefs.

The commission will be pleased to receive and consider at any time views of interested parties. In Canada, correspondence should be directed to the secretary, Canadian section, international joint commission, Ottawa.

*PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND—NEW BRUNSWICK CAUSEWAY

Question No. 469-Mr. Rideout:

1. On what date did the Department of Public Works, or any other person or persons, advise the ministry that the construction of a Prince Edward Island to New Brunswick causeway was feasible having regard to both the financial and engineering aspects of the project?

 Was this advice conveyed in a written report and, if so, who signed that report?
On the basis of what financial terms have

3. On the basis of what financial terms have Northumberland Consultants Limited been named to assist in the construction of the most economical type of causeway?

4. In what vote in the revised estimates, 1962-63, is provision made for paying Northumberland Consultants Limited for assisting the Department of Public Works in the planning and construction of the Prince Edward Island to New Brunswick causeway?

Mr. McCleave:

1. February 15, 1962.

2. Yes-the Minister of Public Works.

3. Detailed financial terms are now being negotiated with the consulting engineers.

4. Department of Public Works, development engineering services vote 167.

INCOME TAX DEDUCTIONS FOR SUMMER STUDENTS

Question No. 472-Mr. Brown:

Before bringing down the annual budget, will the government give consideration to allowing the same deductions for income tax purposes for university summer school students as are at present allowed for regular intramural students?