

Questions

project be equal to not more than 50 per cent of the cost of the project;" and "that in each of the years 1963-64, 1964-65, and 1965-66 a grant of \$500,000 be made by the government of Canada to the government of Nova Scotia for distribution to the universities of that province, and a grant of \$200,000 be made to the government of New Brunswick for distribution to the universities of that province"?

Mr. Davis: The government is re-examining these requests and other university financial requests in the light of its existing financial commitments including the revisions proposed in federal-provincial fiscal arrangements.

R.C.M.P. MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES,
CUMBERLAND, N.S.

Question No. 647—Mr. Coates:

How many motor vehicles were purchased by the R.C.M. Police in Cumberland from April 1, 1963, to March 31, 1964 and (a) from what firm, or firms, were these vehicles purchased (b) what

Mr. Deschatelets:

	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63	1963-64
Renovations	\$6,351.26	\$5,518.31	\$3,040.60	\$9,955.95
Furniture	\$1,248.23	\$1,016.02	\$1,814.74	\$7,433.16

CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN B.C. PRISON INMATES
AND MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

Question No. 672—Mr. Howard:

1. Since January 1, 1960, has the commissioner of penitentiaries issued any instructions to the effect that any inmate or inmates in the B.C. penitentiary must get special permission to correspond with members of parliament and that copies of the said correspondence must be provided and, if so (a) when were these instructions given (b) to how many inmates do they apply, and (c) what was the reason for so issuing them?

2. Has any such inmate been prevented from writing to a member of parliament or denied permission to so write and, if so, what are the reasons therefor?

3. Has any communication from a member of parliament to an inmate in the B.C. penitentiary been withheld from or delayed in transmission to the said inmate and, if so, for how long and for what reason?

Mr. Favreau: 1. No.

2. No.

3. Yes, a communication from a member of parliament, addressed to an inmate, dated December 19, 1963 was received at the penitentiary on December 21, 1963. Because of the nature of the contents the warden withheld the correspondence with the intention of discussing the subject of communication with the writer during his impending visit to the institution. This discussion was held on December 27 and the communication was transmitted to the inmate on the same date.

[Mr. Orlikow.]

was the amount of the lowest bid (c) was it submitted by the successful tenderer and (d) what other firms were invited to tender in each instance?

Mr. Favreau: A total of three vehicles were purchased in the electoral district of Cumberland during the period referred to, of which two were required for Amherst and the other for Pugwash. (a) Claude W. Carter Ltd., Springhill, N.S.; (b) \$4,212.20 (three vehicles 1 bid); (c) Yes; (d) Cumberland Equipment Limited and T. D. Brennan Limited, both of Amherst.

FURNITURE AND RENOVATION EXPENDITURES,
PRIME MINISTER'S RESIDENCE

Question No. 663—Mr. Jorgenson:

What were the amounts spent on renovations and furniture for the Prime Minister's residence at 24 Sussex drive for the fiscal years ending 1961-62-63 and 64?

FEDERAL PENITENTIARY INMATES AND STAFF

Question No. 697—Mr. Orlikow:

1. What is the total number of inmates in federal penitentiaries as of the last date for which the annual report was prepared?

2. What is the total staff employed in these penitentiaries and, of these, how many are guards, teachers, psychologists, psychiatrists, etc.?

3. What qualifications are required for the professional staff?

4. What are the minimum qualifications for guards employed in penitentiaries?

5. Is there a compulsory training course for people hired as guards and, if so, what type of course, and how long does it take to complete this course?

Mr. Macdonald: 1. As of March 31, 1964, there were 7,648 inmates on register in federal penitentiaries.

2. Authorized staff establishment penitentiary service exclusive of headquarters and correctional staff colleges, as of March 31, 1964:

Medical

Physicians, full time	1
part time	3
contract	7
Psychiatrists, part time	8
Dentists, hospitals officers, assistant hospital officers and dental technicians	111
Inmate training division	60
Classification staff	72