

BILINGUALISM AND BICULTURALISM  
COMMISSION

Question No. 272—**Mr. Coates:**

1. What has been the cost to date of the Royal Commission on Bilingualism and Biculturalism, how long has this Royal Commission been in operation, how much longer will it operate and what is the final estimated cost of this Royal Commission?

2. What are the names of the Commissioners now associated with this Royal Commission and how much has each received in salary and expenses to date?

**Mr. J. E. Walker (Parliamentary Secretary to Prime Minister):** I am informed by the royal commission as follows: 1. Total expenditures by the royal commission on bilingualism and biculturalism up to September 30, 1968, were \$7,408,802.48. The commission has been in operation since July 19, 1963. At this stage it is not possible to estimate the length of operation or the final cost.

2. The total salary and expenses to date received by the commissioners now associated with this royal commission are as follows:

Name	Honoraria to date \$	Expenses to date \$
A. D. Dunton	60,550.00	4,256.08
C. Cormier	37,050.00	13,830.69
R. Frith	69,300.00	18,333.84
J.-L. Gagnon	91,750.00	17,891.65
P. Lacoste	24,300.00	2,442.80
G. Laing	48,800.00	30,036.29
J. Rudnycky	44,550.00	19,461.65
F. Scott	41,550.00	8,812.89
P. Wyczynski	44,950.00	3,967.66

\*MAIL SERVICE, GEORGIAN BAY AREA

Question No. 280—**Mr. Rynard:**

1. How many contracts are in effect, at the present time, covering mail service in the Georgian Bay area from Midland to Parry Sound?

2. Is this service (a) daily (b) semi-weekly, or (c) weekly?

3. What is the total cost of this mail service?

4. What is the increase in servicing for the summer months?

**Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General):**

1. There are two services in the Georgian bay area, between Midland and Parry Sound, as follows: (a) Midland and Wah Wah Taysee; (b) Parry Sound and Sans Souci. Both services are seasonal operations only and are being performed under temporary arrangements.

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2. The service between Midland and Wah Wah Taysee is performed daily, except Sunday, from July 1 to Labour day. The service between Parry Sound and Sans Souci is tri-weekly in May, daily except Sunday from June 1 to September 14, and tri-weekly from September 15 to November 15.

3. The service between Midland and Wah Wah Taysee is performed at the rate of \$35 per trip or approximately \$2,000 per season. The service between Parry Sound and Sans Souci is performed at the rate of \$945 per season.

4. The frequency of the service between Parry Sound and Sans Souci is increased from tri-weekly to daily except Sunday during the period June 1 to September 14.

I should have been glad to provide this information to the hon. member without taking up the time of the house.

\*HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION GRANTS

Question No. 297—**Mr. Pringle:**

1. Will the announcement of the termination of the Hospital Construction Grant Act on March 31, 1970 impose a hardship on Hospital Regional Districts who have approved projects, or intend to have approved projects underway, but uncompleted, at the termination date?

2. Will the amount of \$13,304,165 shown under the heading 'Revote' on page 22 of P.C. 1968-12/529 remain at credit as allocated to provinces for use of Regional Hospital Boards, or will availability terminate with the Act on March 31, 1970?

[Translation]

**Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** 1. There will be no repercussions on projects approved as of March 31, 1970 under the federal grants for hospital construction.

2. It is unlikely that the government will give some assistance under the federal hospital construction grants to projects submitted after March 31, 1970.

[English]

UHF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM,  
MONTREAL—LES ESCOUMINS

Question No. 303—**Mr. Dumont:**

What was the installation cost of the UHF telecommunications system along the St. Lawrence between Montreal and Lescoumins?

**Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport):** The UHF telecommunications system between Montreal and Les Escoumins that is a part of the marine traffic control facilities of the Department of Transport is provided under a rental contract for approximately \$130,000 per annum.