AMHERST, N.S.-NEW FEDERAL BUILDING

Question No. 1,757-Mr. Coates:

On what date will tenders be called for the construction of a new federal building at Amherst, Nova Scotia?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): Not known. Accommodation requirements for Amherst being reviewed as a result of changing client requirements.

ROUTING OF MAIL TO NEWFOUNDLAND

Question No. 1,782-Mr. Peddle:

1. What is the routing of mail from points in central or western Canada, or United States addressed to (a) Wabush, Newfoundland (b) Labrador City, Newfoundland?

2. What is the routing of such mail if addressed to (a) Wabush, Labrador (b) Labrador City, Labrador?

3. Would the Department consider having all mail addressed to Wabush or Labrador City routed via Montreal?

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General and Minister of Communications): 1. Prepaid air mail from the U.S.A. and first class mail of central or western Canada origin are routed to the Air Mail Facility at Montreal International Airport for onward air conveyance via Quebecair Flights. United States first class and all other classes of mail are routed via Montreal and Sept Iles, P.Q.

2. Same as above.

3. No. Mails originating in Newfoundland province are conveyed direct to destination via flights emanating from St. John's.

EFFECT OF INCREASE IN INCOME TAX EXEMPTION

Question No. 1,783-Mr. Mather:

Had income tax exemption for persons 70 years and over been increased from the present \$1,500 per annum to \$2,500 what, in 1969, would have been the amount lost to national revenue in terms of percentage?

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance): The estimated revenue loss is \$35 million. This is .8 per cent of total federal budgetary personal income tax revenue in 1969, or 22 per cent of estimated federal personal income and old age security tax paid by individuals over age 70.

WORLD WAR II VETERANS

Question No. 1,851-Mr. Caouette:

How many World War II veterans are still alive and, of this number, how many receive (a) a pen-

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sion for disability attributable to service (b) a veteran's allowance and, in each case, what is the total amount?

Hon. Jean-Eudes Dubé (Minister of Veterans Affairs): Preamble—Information not available. (a) 103,728, \$114,794,950; (b) 23,152, \$33,440,-521.

Note: In addition to (b) above there are Dual Service (World War I and World War II) recipients of war veterans allowance as follows: 831, \$831,808.

WORLD WAR I VETERANS

Question No. 1,852—Mr. Caouette:

How many World War I veterans are still alive and, of this number, how many receive (a) a pension for disability attributable to service (b) a veteran's allowance and, in each case, what is the total amount?

Hon. Jean-Eudes Dubé (Minister of Veterans Affairs): Preamble—Information not available. (a) 24,361, \$32,360,102; (b) 18,632, \$16,-097,715.

Note: In addition to (b) above there are Dual Service (World War I and World War II) recipients of war veterans allowance as follows: 831, \$831,808.

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CORPORATIONS AND LABOUR UNIONS RETURNS ACT

Question No. 725-Mr. Skoberg:

1. Has the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce tabled an Annual Report containing information reported by corporations under Part I of the Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act for each of the years 1965, 1966 and 1967 as required by Section 16 of the Act and, if not, for what reason?

2. Has the Minister tabled an Annual Report containing information reported by Labour Unions under Part II of the Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act for 1967 and, if not, for what reason?

3. Is it the intention of the Minister to table the 1968 Annual Reports of both Corporations (Part I) and Labour Unions (Part II) at the end of 1969 or immediately thereafter, as required by the Act?

4. How many of the 185 corporations for 1965, 745 for 1966, and 2,990 for 1967 reported as in default as of December 2, 1968, have since filed returns and how many of the defaulting corporations have been prosecuted and fined pursuant to Section 6 of the Act?

5. What type of employee organization is deemed to qualify as (a) a reporting union, and (b) a non-reporting union, under Part II of the Act, and on what grounds?