

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

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TRANS-CANADA PIPE LINES LIMITED

Question No. 213—Mr. Diefenbaker:

1. What companies or groups hold substantial sponsoring interests in Trans-Canada Pipe Lines Limited?
2. What are the respective interests in Trans-Canada Pipe Lines Limited held by (a) Hudson Bay Oil & Gas Company Limited; (b) Canadian Gulf Oil Company; (c) Canadian Delhi Oil Limited; (d) Tennessee Gas Transmission Company; (e) the Western Pipe Lines group?
3. What is the parent company or corporation of each of said companies?
4. Who are the member companies or individuals in said group?
5. What proportion of shares in each of said companies is held by a non-Canadian parent company, and what proportion by the Canadian public?

Answer by: Mr. Howe (Port Arthur):

The answers to questions 1, 2 and 4 are contained in the agreements among the sponsors of Trans-Canada Pipe Lines Limited, which were tabled on February 20.

Questions 3 and 5 relate to the distribution of the shares of the various participating companies. Information relating to these matters is not available from government records.

POST OFFICES, MONTREAL—BURGLARY ALARM AUTHORIZATION

Question No. 222—Mr. Hamilton (Notre Dame de Grace):

1. Has the federal government requested and received authorization from the police department of the city of Montreal for the installation in 10 postal stations in that city of burglar alarms which will be linked directly to the nearest police station?
2. If so, on what date was the request made, and on what date was the authorization received?

Answer by: Mr. Lapointe:

1 and 2. On December 27, 1955, the federal government requested authorization from the police department to connect a certain number of burglar alarms from postal stations directly to the nearest police station. On January 30, 1956, the requested authority was received.

IMPORTS OF U.S. AUTOMOBILES

Question No. 258—Mr. Noseworthy:

1. What is the total number and value of United States automobiles imported into Canada for the years, 1950 to 1955, inclusive?
2. By what firms were such automobiles manufactured, how many and of what value by each firm?

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3. What makes and how many of each make of car were imported?
4. What series and how many of each series of each make were imported during the above period?
5. What makes and series of cars imported were also manufactured in Canada during the above years?

Answer by: Mr. Howe (Port Arthur):

1. The total number and value of passenger automobiles (statistical classifications 5642, 5643 and 5644) imported into Canada from the United States during the years 1950 to 1955 were as follows:

Year	No.	Value
1950	3,154	\$ 6,038,482
1951	14,050	29,142,623
1952	13,828	27,409,123
1953	23,501	47,754,941
1954	17,954	39,098,837
1955	27,392	58,886,587

2, 3, 4 and 5. Section 15 of the Statistics Act precludes the disclosure of information relating to private business.

NATIONAL REVENUE SURVEY—PURCHASE OF SHARES

Question No. 280—Mr. Knowles:

1. Has the Department of National Revenue made any survey or any investigation to determine to what extent taxpayers in Canada realize a monetary gain as a result of purchasing shares of various companies at a price below that prevailing on the stock market?
2. If not, will the department make such an investigation or survey?
3. Are such gains taxable?

Answer by: Mr. McCann:

1. No.
2. Such a survey is not presently being contemplated by the department.
3. The purchase of shares at a price below fair market value may give rise to taxable income under certain circumstances, e.g. where the purchaser is in the business of buying and selling shares or where he is a shareholder or employee of the vendor. Employees receiving benefits of this nature are entitled to special treatment under section 85A of the Income Tax Act.

DUMPING DUTIES

Question No. 284—Mr. Lennard:

1. What was the total amount applied as dumping duties on goods entering Canada, during the calendar year of 1955?
2. How much of this amount was applied against textile products: (a) hosiery and half hose; (b) underwear; (c) outerwear?

Answer by: Mr. McCann:

1. \$1,180,513.
2. No records are kept of the amount of dumping duties collected by commodity.