

Questions

3. Members of the board will be meeting from time to time as their studies progress and as the situation requires. Meetings of the two chairmen have already taken place and, as is customary with the I.J.C. advisory bodies, informal consultations are a continuing process. The board itself will determine its own schedule of meetings in accordance with the requirements.

4. It has not been customary to make public in advance of preparation of reports the actual directives given by the international joint commission to their subordinate bodies; nor is it regarded as appropriate so to do at the present stage of a reference. However, it can be said, with the consent of the United States section of the commission, that the international Champlain waterway board has been directed by the I.J.C. to carry out the technical investigations necessary and also, in scheduling the various phases of investigation and study, to examine carefully the economic consequences of such an improved waterway and its effects in both countries; also to begin its studies immediately and to keep the commission currently informed of development and progress.

C.N.R. SET-OFF YARD, TORONTO—
ALTERNATE SITE

Question No. 358—Mr. Sams:

In view of the fact that strong representation has been made by Mr. Kenneth Wharton, president of the Aldershot property owners association, on a petition bearing the signatures of some five thousand residents of the town of Burlington in opposition to a proposed set-off yard of the Canadian National Railways, what action is being taken by the Department of Transport in an effort to find an alternative site, and consequently prevent this proposal from deteriorating the valuable residential property of this area?

Mr. Sams: I ask permission of the house to withdraw this question.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Order discharged and question withdrawn.

VIOLATION OF THREE MILE LIMIT BY
FOREIGN TRAWLERS

Question No. 371—Mr. Cashin:

How many reports, if any, of foreign trawlers violating the three mile limit have been received by the government, and what action has the government taken in respect of each report?

Answer by: Mr. MacLean (Queens):

The government receives many reports, most of them oral, of foreign trawlers allegedly violating the three mile limit, particularly in the spring of the year. The Department of Fisheries maintains a fleet of patrol boats which keeps a constant check on foreign trawler operations along the coast. The department also has access to aircraft for use on patrol to check specific reports or for

[Mr. Macquarrie.]

operation when foreign trawlers are in numbers close to the three mile limit. In addition to general patrol work, specific complaints when received are investigated. In March of this year two Spanish trawlers with fishing gear in operation inside the three mile zone were sighted and identified by personnel on departmental vessels. The master of one of these, the *Santa Rita*, had to answer to a charge under the Coastal Fisheries Protection Act when he next visited the port of St. John's, Newfoundland. He was fined \$200. The magistrate took into consideration radar troubles aboard the trawler and the fact that it was only one half mile inside the three mile zone. Proceedings will be taken against the second vessel if it appears in a Canadian port.

COMMUNITY STAGES, ST. JOHN'S WEST, NFLD.

Question No. 372—Mr. Cashin:

How many representations, if any, have been received from the district of St. John's West to have community stages constructed in that district, and from whom have they been received?

Answer by: Mr. MacLean (Queens):

Five. All representations received from Hon. W. J. Browne.

*ABITIBI, QUE. SLAUGHTERHOUSE

Question No. 373—Mr. Laprise:

Has the Department of Agriculture received an application for a grant for the construction of a slaughter house in Abitibi and, if so, who was the applicant, and how was the application disposed of?

(Translation):

Mr. Pigeon: Mr. Speaker, the answer is no.

(Text):

*C.M.H.C. LOANS, QUEBEC

Question No. 376—Mr. Lamy:

1. How many loans have been granted in the province of Quebec by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation?

2. How many loans have been refused by the said corporation, and on what grounds?

3. How many purchasers have lost their homes because they have failed to meet their payments?

4. Does the government intend to amend the act so that those earning up to \$2,500 per year may benefit from it?

Mr. Fulton: Mr. Speaker, with respect to net loans approved under the National Housing Act in the period 1954 to September 1962 in the province of Quebec, the answer with respect to part 1 is as follows: Those by approved lenders insured by C.M.H.C., 47,219 loans, for a total of 55,612 units and a total amount of \$518,078,000; loans by C.M.H.C., 24,730 for a total of 33,646 units, and a total amount of \$330,107,000. The aggregate then, under the National Housing Act is 71,949 loans for 89,258 units in the total aggregate amount of \$911,185,000.

The answer to part 2 is that the information is not available. With respect to part 3, the