

Questions

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

The following answers, deposited with the Clerk of the house, are printed in the official report of debates pursuant to standing order 39:

MAIL CONTRACT, PETERBOROUGH

Question No. 151—Mr. Pitman:

- 1. Did the post office award a contract for driving mail from Peterborough to Apsley, Lakefield, Belleville, Tweed, and Madoc in the years 1959 and 1960?
- 2. To whom was this contract awarded?
- 3. Was there any stipulation in the contract in regard to wages paid to employees in the carrying out of the contract?
- 4. Is there any protection for workers under the post office regulations for such contracts?

Answer by: Hon. W. M. Hamilton (Postmaster General):

1. There is no one contract covering service between Peterborough and the localities mentioned, but rather three service routes. These are:

(a) Apsley and Peterborough/Lakefield and Peterborough stage service—contract renewed 1st October 1960.

(b) Belleville and Peterborough highway service—established 25th April 1960 under temporary arrangement.

(c) Tweed and Peterborough highway service (via Madoc)—established 25th April 1960 under temporary arrangement.

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3. No.

4. (a) Stage services are minor operations and contracts for these services do not specify the payment of wages to couriers.

(b) Tender notices and contracts for highway services contain specific clauses covering the payment of wage rates to couriers. Notices inviting bids for temporary arrangements stipulate that the remuneration paid by a contractor to his couriers shall be

reasonable and comparable to that paid drivers of trucks of equal size, in the district.

PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION, MALTON-TORONTO

Question No. 154—Mr. Pitman:

- 1. Does the Department of Transport give a franchise to any person or company for driving of passengers from Malton airport to downtown Toronto?
- 2. If so, to what person or company?
- 3. Is there any stipulation in the contract as to charges for transportation from Malton airport, and from the Royal York hotel to the King Edward?
- 4. If so, what are these charges?
- 5. If not, what is the charge to any person transported by this service from the Royal York hotel to the King Edward hotel or vice versa?

Answer by: Hon. Leon Balcer (Minister of Transport):

1 and 2. No. Transportation franchises are controlled by the Ontario transportation board.

The department has an agreement with Air Terminal Transport Limited, granting them the privilege to maintain and operate a limousine and taxi station at the Toronto international airport (Malton). The company has a franchise from the Ontario transportation board to operate between the airport and Toronto.

3 and 4. The tariff charged by the company is subject to approval by the Ontario transportation board and the company files a schedule approved by the transportation board with the department.

5. The approved tariff between the Toronto international airport (Malton) and downtown Toronto, (Royal York hotel) is \$1.50 per passenger (75 cents children's fare). The company operates a jitney service between the Royal York hotel and the King Edward hotel to accommodate passengers who wish to go on to the King Edward hotel.

The same jitney service from the King Edward hotel to the Royal York hotel is available to passengers travelling from the King Edward to the airport. There is no charge for this jitney service.