

DEVELOPMENT OF DEEP WATER PORTS IN ATLANTIC PROVINCES

Question No. 1,463—**Mr. Howie:**

Are there any plans to attempt to develop any deep-water ports in the Atlantic Provinces and, if so, which ports will be developed?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): In so far as the Department of Regional Economic Expansion is concerned: An offer has been made to the provinces of Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick for the development in each province of one deep water port at a site to be proposed by the province. Provincial authorities have this offer under consideration. In so far as the Ministry of Transport is concerned: Ever since the trend to deeper draft vessels, particularly in the bulk crude oil and refined petroleum products trades, became noticeable some ten years ago, the ministry has devoted considerable attention and research to the port requirements that might reasonably be expected to arise in eastern Canada as a result of this technological breakthrough. Private industry also has shown itself to be well aware of this challenge and thus there have been, during the last few years, several plans to attempt to develop deepwater oil ports, particularly in the Atlantic provinces. To date, the following deepwater oil terminals have been developed: Mispec Point (east of Saint John, N.B.), Point Tupper (Strait of Canso); and Come-By-Chance, Newfoundland. In addition to these existing facilities, new proposals are currently under consideration by various interested agencies at Lorneville (west of Saint John); Melford Point (Strait of Canso); and Come-By-Chance, Newfoundland. It is not possible to say definitely which projects will be implemented in the near future.

STORAGE FACILITIES

Question No. 1,701—**Mr. Holmes:**

1. Did the Minister of Agriculture and the Minister responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board jointly announce a new \$40 million storage programme as part of the new Feed Grains Policy on July 26, 1974 and, if so, how much of this \$40 million has been allocated for storage facilities?

2. (a) What is the number of storage facilities (b) where are their locations (c) who are the owners (d) what are the sums of money allocated for each facility?

3. Has representation for funds been received from Southwestern Ontario and what percentage of the \$40 million will be allocated to that area?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Canadian Wheat Board and Agriculture Canada as follows: 1. Yes. The details of a new program have not been fully developed. A part of the funding is to be used to improve storage facilities but the actual amount will depend on the needs for additional storage that are identified. No facilities have been funded under the program to date. The government has assumed the carrying costs of domestic feed grain reserve stocks up to a maximum of 10 million bushels to be located in Thunder Bay (and a small quantity at Halifax). The annual cost of this part of the program is estimated at \$4.2 millions.

2. Not applicable.

3. Storage project proposals which have been received are confidential. Assistance which may be provided will

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be based on the merits of each application to local and national storage requirements.

RAILWAY ADVERTISING IN "TRAVEL AND LEISURE" MAGAZINE

Question No. 1,751—**Mr. Herbert:**

1. To the knowledge of the government, did Canadian Pacific hotels advertise by means of a coloured centrefold in the February issue of *Travel and Leisure*?

2. Does the magazine have a circulation in Canada?

3. Is the cost of such advertising a deductible expense before corporation taxes under existing legislation?

4. Did Canadian National also advertise in the same edition of the magazine?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Canadian National Railways and the Department of National Revenue as follows: 1 and 2. See Beauchesne's Parliamentary Rules and Forms, citation 171 dd.

3. Section 19 of the Income Tax Act provides that advertising costs are not allowable as deductible expenses before taxes if the advertisement is included in a non-Canadian publication and is directed primarily to a market in Canada. The C.P. hotel advertisement clearly is directed to the American market and thus the cost would be an admissible expense.

4. A 1/6 page black and white advertisement was placed in the February issue of *Travel and Leisure Magazine*.

PUBLIC SERVANTS ASSIGNED TO POSITIONS OTHER THAN IN CANADA

Question No. 1,762—**Mr. Herbert:**

By department, other than the Departments of Industry, Trade and Commerce, Manpower and Immigration, External Affairs and National Defence for the month of April 1975, what is the budgeted number of public servants who would be assigned to positions other than in Canada?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): Agriculture Canada, 11; Communications, 1; Consumer and Corporate Affairs, 0; Energy, Mines and Resources, 0; Environment, 0; Finance, 0; Indian Affairs and Northern Development, 0; Insurance, 0; Justice, 0; Labour, 3; National Health and Welfare 32; National Revenue 20; Post Office 0; Prime Minister and Privy Council 0; Public Works, 3; Regional Economic Expansion, 0; Science and Technology, 0; Secretary of State, 6; Solicitor General, 0; Supply and Services, 7; Transport, 3; Treasury Board, 0; Urban Affairs, 0; Veterans Affairs, 2.

APPLICATIONS UNDER FARM IMPROVEMENT LOANS ACT, QUEBEC

Question No. 1,768—**Mr. Caouette (Villeneuve):**

1. How many loan applications were submitted by the Quebec farmers in 1974, under the Farm Improvement Loans Act?

2. What criteria does the Unemployment Insurance Commission use to establish that a person is a farmer?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Departments of Finance and Man-