Questions

AUDITOR GENERAL'S REPORT-PROFIT OF 40 PER CENT ON CONTRACT

Mr. KNOWLES:

Has adjustment or explanation been made with reference to a profit of 40 per cent on cost as disclosed by the cost audit on the contract referred to in item 163 on page 50 of the auditor general's report for the year 1942-43?

Mr. CHEVRIER: Yes.

OIL CONTROL-RENTAL OF SPACE IN SAINT JOHN

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury):

1. What space, if any, has been rented by the oil control, Department of Munitions and Supply, from J. Clark & Son, Limited, in the Supply, from J. Clark & Son, Limited, in the city of Saint John or elsewhere in the province of New Brunswick?

2. What rent is being paid for each such space, and what are the rental terms with respect to area, time, termination of rental contracts, improvements, heating, alterations and other like conditions?

3. Specifically, have the premises at 28 Germain street, Saint John, been rented from this company? If so, give full particulars of all material points of this contract.

Mr. FOURNIER (Hull):

1. The Department of Public Works leases from J. Clark & Son, Limited, for the oil controller of the Department of Munitions and Supply, space on the ground floor of building at 28-32 Germain street, Saint John, N.B.

2. Rent-\$1,860 per annum. Floor area-2,500 sq. ft. Term: From April 1, 1943, until cessation of hostilities and thereafter on a monthly basis. Lessor attends to all repairs, taxes, water rates, and provides heating, cleaning of windows and toilet accommodation. Crown pays for lighting and cleaning.

3. See answers to Nos. 1 and 2.

RAILWAYS-USE OF SOLDIERS IN OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Mr. POULIOT:

How many soldiers have been used, (a) by the Canadian National Railways; (b) by the Canadian Pacific Railway, for the development, operation and maintenance of said railways, by virtue of an order in council made public in November, 1943?

Mr. MICHAUD: (a) 246; (b) 282.

MOTOR VEHICLES-LICENCES AND GASOLINE RATIONING

Mr. REID:

1. What was the number of motor licences issued in each province for the fiscal year 1943,

for, (a) passenger cars; (b) commercial vehicles; (c) farmer's trucks?

2. What number of ration cards for gasoline have been issued during the present fiscal year and up to December 31, 1943, in each province, giving the number issued in categories A, B, C, D, E?

Mr. CHEVRIER:

1. The issuance of motor licences is a provincial jurisdiction and the number is not known to the department.

2. To December 31, 1943, gasoline ration books had been issued for the fiscal year 1943-44 in each province in the following categories.

	. AA	A	В	C	D	E	A.R.P.	Cars on W.I.T.*	Com- mercial
Alberta	37,064	42,445	11,736	1.083	237	173			35,346
British Columbia	75,502	15,456	6,882	1,654	416	292	237	8,635	27.717
Manitoba	32,918	24,196	12,416	1,447	357	339			24,846
New Brunswick	13,081	11,124	1,942	721	337	375	43		9,573
Nova Scotia		12,472	1,984	1,207	515	312	2	4.029	17,805
Ontario	405,383	140,867	54,470	6,593	1,556	1,149	1.879	31,971	95,766
P.E.I	1,945	3,897	292	89	23	22			1,883
Quebec	103,205	46,069	20,790	6,036	928	652	541	5.788	47,434
Saskatchewan	37,013	47,214	4,829	440	156	90		2,506	39,390
Total	732,293	343,740	115,341	19,270	4,525	3,404	2,702	53,929	299,760

^{*} Wartime Industrial Transit.

WELLINGTON BARRACKS, HALIFAX-GYMNASIUM

Mr. BLACK (Cumberland):

1. Has a gymnasium been provided at Stadacona, Wellington barracks, Halifax, Nova Scotia?

2. If so, (a) what are the names of those who tendered for this work; (b) to whom was contract let, and for what amount; (c) what is the size of the building and type of construction; (d) time for completion; (e) estimated cost complete with equipment?

[Mr. Abbott.]

Mr. MACDONALD (Halifax):

1. Yes, a building for physical training, gymnasium and swimming pool.

2. (a) Anglin Norcross Maritime Limited, Montreal, P.Q. Following is an extract from P.C. 10774 dated 26th November, 1942, "that in view of the close relation of this additional work to the work already being carried out at the site by the present contractor, it is