Justice as follows: 1. Because an individual's military or draft status has no bearing whatsoever in any matters under the Immigration Act or Regulations information on this subject is neither requested nor recorded in any way during immigration proceedings. Consequently the Department of Manpower and Immigration cannot compile any statistical breakdowns in this respect.

2. and 3. The Department of Justice does not maintain statistics that disclose whether or not a person charged or convicted in Canada is a draft dodger or deserter.

4. See 1.

REPAIRS TO WHARF AT BERTHIER, BELLECHASSE CONSTITUENCY, 1971

Question No. 846-Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse):

Did the government have repairs made to the Berthier wharf in the constituency of Bellechasse in 1971 and, if so (a) what was the nature of the work (b) what was the amount involved (c) by whom were the repairs made?

[Translation]

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): No repairs have been made to the Berthier wharf to date in 1971.

[English]

POST OFFICE—ASSURED MAIL PROMOTION

Question No. 860-Mr. Howe:

- 1. Was an advertising agency given a contract by the Post Office Department for the promotion that introduced the program "Assured Mail"?
- 2. Were tenders called for this promotion and, if so, what agencies entered this competition and what were the amounts of each tender?
- 3. What was the total cost of this program?
- 4. Did weekly newspapers have an opportunity to participate in this campaign and, if not, for what reason?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Côté (Minister without Portfolio): 1. No.

- 2. No.
- 3. \$43,577.66.
- 4. No, with the exception of one Toronto Italian weekly. The Assured Mail launch concerned mail originating from Toronto City only.

REPAIRS TO WHARF AT BERTHIER-EN-BAS, 1970

Question No. 898-Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse):

How much money was spent during 1970 for repairs to the wharf at Berthier-en-Bas?

[Translation]

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): A total of \$17,130.80 was spent during 1970 for repairs to the wharf at Berthier-en-Bas.

[English]

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE—DESIGNATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES

Question No. 915-Mr. Robinson:

What percentage of the supplementary estimates of the Department of Justice is designated for (a) winter works (b)

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to reduce unemployment (c) underestimating expenditures (d) combatting inflationary costs (e) new programs (f) hiring of additional employees?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): The Department of Justice does not have supplementary estimates.

INFORMATION CANADA—EMPLOYMENT OF MR. D. HANSON

Question No. 920-Mr. Hales:

- 1. Has Mr. D. Hanson ever been a special consultant for Information Canada and, if so (a) when was he hired and what were the duties he was to perform (b) if he is no longer employed by Information Canada (i) when did his employment terminate (ii) what were the grounds for termination (iii) was the termination a resignation or dismissal (iv) had Mr. Hanson completed the duties for which he was hired?
- 2. Has a legal suit been launched against Information Canada by Mr. Hanson and, if so (a) what are the grounds for the suit (b) what damages have been asked?
- Hon. Robert Stanbury (Minister without Portfolio): 1. Yes. (a) He was hired on September 17, 1970, to assist in the continued planning and implementation of Information Canada priorities. (b) (i) December 31, 1970; (ii) It was the end of the contract period; (iii) Neither, September 17 to December 31 was the term of the contract; (iv) Mr. Hanson was not hired to complete a specific task but for general staff assistance.
 - 2. Not to the knowledge of Information Canada.

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PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYMENT ACT—APPOINTMENTS OTHER THAN UNDER SECTIONS 8 AND 9

Question No. 307-Mr. Forrestall:

- 1. In the period July 25, 1969 to September 30, 1970, how many women were appointed to a position or otherwise employed, other than under the provisions of sections 8 and 9 of the *Public Service Employment Act*, by the government under conditions or remuneration equitable to a salary of \$10,000 or more per year?
 - 2. What are their names?
- 3. By whom were they employed and what was the rank of their position?
- 4. How many men were appointed or otherwise employed under the same period of time?

Return tabled.

Mr. Coates: Mr. Speaker, I do not like to have to rise every second week regarding starred question No. 12. There is not much sense in my repeating again what I have said previously about this question. But I must say that if questions placed on the order paper are not going to be answered, the procedure will become nothing more than a farce. As I pointed out previously, this question was on the order paper in the previous session and was placed on the order paper again early in the present session. If questions are not to be answered we, in effect, will be deprived of information that we and the taxpayers of the nation have a right to receive. I do not know what more to say except to bring to the attention of the House once again the fact that this question has not yet been answered, notwithstanding the many statements by the parliamentary secretary.