

Order Paper Questions

has been provided to the rural area since 1970 under the ARDA program.

3. Same as answer number 1.

LIMITED AND PROHIBITIVE USES OF NATIONAL PARKS

Question No. 2,591—Mr. Clark (Rocky Mountain):

1. What uses of Canada's national parks have been declared (a) limited (b) prohibited in each year 1967 to 1973 in (i) Banff National Park (ii) Jasper National Park (iii) Waterton Lakes National Park?

2. In each case, what was the reason for the change in status of the use?

3. What other changes in use of each of (a) Banff National Park (b) Jasper National Park (c) Waterton Lakes National Park are contemplated and what is the reason for each contemplated change in status?

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): After a careful search of records covering the period 1967 to 1973, we can find no instance of any of the traditional "uses" of Canada's National Parks being prohibited in Banff National Park, Jasper National Park, or Waterton Lakes National Park. All types of uses such as riding, boating, fishing, camping, skiing, etc., which were permitted in 1967 are still permitted in 1973. However, in many instances, and for many different reasons, and for varying lengths of time these uses may have been limited. Hiking trails can be used to illustrate this situation. There are many such trails in each of the three parks in question and one of these trails might have been closed because of fire hazard, bear activity, avalanche hazard, overuse, etc. and for varying lengths of time. The work involved in finding out and listing the limiting factors applied to each use in each park would be an expensive undertaking both from the point of view of manpower and financial resources. In view of this, it would not seem to be in the public interest to carry out the necessary research.

IMPORTATION OF UNIVERSAL No. 65 TRACTORS FROM ROUMANIA

Question No. 2,594—Mr. Schumacher:

1. What was the nature of the discussions held by the Department of Manpower and Immigration and the dealer(s) responsible for the importation of Universal No. 65 Tractors from Roumania?

2. How many dealers were involved?

3. What was the name of each of such dealers?

4. What agreement was reached as to the servicing of any of such tractors imported?

5. How many people were brought into Canada to (a) sell (b) service such tractors?

6. What was the (a) previous position held (b) qualification (c) immigrant status (d) job opportunity offered for each person brought in for the purposes of selling and/or servicing these tractors?

7. What arrangements were made for the setting up of servicing facilities for these tractors in each province?

8. How many Canadian technicians (a) were employed on the arrival of these tractors (b) are now employed across the country to service these tractors?

9. How many people brought in under agreements made for the importation of these tractors are (a) in Canada on temporary visas (b) in Canada as Landed Immigrants (c) returned home?

[Mr. Prud'homme.]

Mr. Mark MacGuigan (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Manpower and Immigration): 1, 2 and 3. The Department of Manpower and Immigration has had no discussions with potential or actual Canadian dealers regarding the importation of Roumanian tractors. Those discussions which have taken place have been with the Canadian importer (Westport Importers, Provost, Alberta) and Roumanian government officials and were for the purpose of arranging for the temporary admission to Canada of those Roumanian nationals who would be involved in launching this operation.

4. It was agreed that temporary admission would be authorized for sufficient Roumanian personnel to provide an initial servicing capacity and to train Canadian residents to perform such functions in the future. Once this has been accomplished, only those considered necessary to look after special problems of service and warranty are to remain in this country on a temporary basis. It was also agreed that temporary admission would be authorized for those required to look after the Roumanian manufacturers' interests in this operation.

5. (a) None; (b) the number of service personnel has fluctuated between 12 and 15.

6. (a) Service personnel of Roumanian tractor manufacturers; (b) qualified mechanics or technicians; (c) non-immigrants; (d) servicing tractors and training Canadian residents to perform a similar function.

7. Dealers, with initial assistance from Roumanian mechanics, are to establish their own servicing facilities.

8. (a) None; (b) approximately 240.

9. (a) sixteen including service and management personnel; (b) none; (c) five or six of the original entrants, but they have been replaced by others.

ROYAL MAIL/POSTE ROYALE DESIGNATION ON NEW MAIL BOXES

Question No. 2,617—Mr. Forrestall:

Is the government giving consideration to placing the words "Royal Mail/Poste royale" on the new series of mail boxes being put into service across Canada and, if not, for what reason?

Hon. André Ouellet (Postmaster General): No. As far as it has been possible to ascertain, the words "Royal Mail/Poste Royale" have never formed part of any legend or insignia on Canada's mail boxes.

PROPOSED BUILDING OF SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH LABORATORY AT IGLOOLIK

Question No. 2,624—Mr. Orlikow:

1. Have discussions been held between the people of Igloolik, NWT and representatives of the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development regarding the proposed building of a scientific research laboratory at Igloolik and, if so (a) by whom (b) how many times (c) on what date?

2. Prior to the announcement that the building of the laboratory had been approved and the money needed allocated (a) were any meetings held between representatives of the laboratory and the local people (b) had any literature explaining the laboratory, its purposes, functions, staffing, been prepared in the Inuit language so that they could consider the project and its implications for them?