

### Order Paper Questions

2. The stem of the *Ungava Transport* at the 12' draught mark was punched in for some two feet and the vessel holed. The yacht suffered considerable hull damage. The authority sent a formal notice to Halco, Incorporated, owners of the *Ungava Transport*, holding them responsible for the damages sustained by the authority, as well as the expenses incurred in helping the owner of the *Canari*. Neither the Coast Guard nor the Seaway authority assess liability between vessels in such cases, this being the function of the courts or insurance adjusters. Settlement is still in the course of negotiation between Halco and the owner of the yacht, Mr. John P. Harney of Picton, Ontario.

3. The Authority will invoice Halco, Incorporated, an amount of approximately \$14,000.

All Casualties Involving Hall Corporation Shipping Ltd. (Halco) Vessels  
Reported to Transport Canada since 1975 (inclusive)

	Collision					Casualty Number		
	Fire	& Contact	Groundings	Strikings	Other	Total	Deaths	Injuries
Tankers	1	3	4	2	3	13	0	0
Cargo	2	4	14	5	4	29	7	4
Total	3	7	18	7	7	42	7	4

The seven deaths were all involved in the *Cartiercliffe Hall* fire which was the subject of a public inquiry.

Many of the reported casualties are of a minor nature.  
Only the more serious injuries are normally reported.

### INSURANCE ON BANK ACCOUNTS

#### Question No. 2,628—Mr. Cossitt:

1. Is the present limit of insurance provided by the government on bank accounts and term deposits with bank and trust companies now limited to \$20,000?

2. Is the government aware that the amount of the limit of this insurance in the United States is now \$100,000?

3. Will the government, in view of inflation and the consequent erosion of the value of the dollar, give immediate consideration to increasing such insurance coverage in Canada to the same amount as in the United States?

**Hon. Pierre Bussières (Minister of State (Finance)):** In so far as the Minister of Finance is concerned, I have been advised by the Canada Deposit Insurance Corporation as follows: 1. Yes.

2. Yes.

3. The government is giving attention to the possibility of amendments to the CDIC Act and its policy will be announced in due course.

### PRIVATE RAILWAY CARS

#### Question No. 2,631—Mr. Cossitt:

1. What is a complete list and a description of all private railway cars in the custody or under the direction of the Department of Transport for use by cabinet ministers or other persons?

2. What is a list, by categories of persons, of those entitled to use the cars?

3. On what date did the Department of Transport acquire the cars and, in each case, on what date was the car manufactured?

**Mr. Robert Bockstael (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport):** 1. There are presently two units of private railway cars under the custody of the Department of Transport and are described as follows:

cars Nos. 1 and 2, a government-owned two-car unit primarily for the use of the Royal family and Governor General but also available for other authorized users with the Governor General's agreement.

car No. 5, a single car unit with facilities to accommodate up to seven persons.

2. Authorized users of the private railway cars are the Governor General, the Prime Minister, cabinet ministers, and commissioners of the Canadian Transport Commission.

3. Railway cars Nos. 1 and 2 were manufactured in 1966 for acquisition by the Department of Transport in the same year. Railway car No. 5 was manufactured in 1929 and was assigned to the Department of Transport in 1967.

### PRIVATE RAILWAY CAR

#### Question No. 2,632—Mr. Cossitt:

1. Was railway car number 53 returned to the Canadian National Railways in Montreal from Ottawa on May 21, 1981, by direction of the Minister of Transport?

2. Was this car used on many occasions by various cabinet ministers in the past?

3. For what reason was the railway car returned to the CNR?

4. Did the Department of Transport decide that it no longer wanted custody and, if so (a) for what reason (b) was the decision in any way due to the asking of questions involving the use of the railway car by cabinet ministers and was it considered to be embarrassing by the government?

5. Will the car be replaced and, if so, by what?

**Mr. Robert Bockstael (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport):** 1. Yes.

2. This car was used on several occasions by various cabinet ministers in the past.

3. Surplus to anticipated future requirements.

4. (a) See answer to part 3.

(b) No.

5. No.

### SALE OF CONDOMINIUM UNITS

#### Question No. 2,634—Mr. Blenkarn:

1. Did the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation sell 577 condominium units at an average price of \$20,500 on November 10, 1980, in buildings bearing municipal addresses 7170 Darcel Avenue, 7230 Darcel Avenue and 7280 Darcel Avenue, Mississauga, Ontario?

2. (a) Was the sale made to 1641-9459 Quebec Incorporated (b) was there a loss by the corporation or by the mortgage insurance fund from the sale and, if so, in what amount?

3. What is all the information with respect to public tenders concerning the offering of the buildings to the public?