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ter's Mount to Findlayson, approximately 12 miles, completed; (ii) reconstruction from the boundary of Cape Breton Highlands national park through Pleasant bay to the boundary of Cape Breton Highlands national park, approximately two miles completed; (iii) reconstruction from the north boundary of Cape Breton Highlands national park through Cape North to the north boundary of Cape Breton Highlands national park near South Harbour, approximately nine miles, completed; (iv) reconstruction from the present end of pavement at Ingonish Beach through north shore, Barachois bridge, North river bridge and St. Ann to the trans-Canada highway near South Haven, approximately 46 miles, completed.

- (2) Peggy's Cove road improvement of road from end of pavement at Peggy's Cove to beginning of pavement at Whites lake approximately 13 miles; completed.
- (3) Yarmouth Light road, from Yarmouth town limit to Yarmouth Light, approximately seven miles; completed.
- (4) Goldboro loop from end of pavement at Goshen through Country Harbour cross roads, Stormont, Goldboro, Seal Harbour, New Harbour and Charo's Cove to highway 16 east of Queensport, approximately 57 miles; not completed.
- (5) Hants county shore road from Union Corner near Brooklyn, through Cheverie, Walton, Noel, Maitland, Urbania and Admiral Rock to Shubenacadie, approximately 70 miles; not completed.
- (6) Tidnish shore road from highway No. 6 near Amherst through Tidnish and Northport and East Lindon to highway 6 near Port Howe, approximately 31 miles completed.
- (7) Arisaig loop from end of pavement near Lismore through Knoydart, McAras Brook, Arisaig, Doctor Brook, Malignant Cove and North Grant to Antigonish town limit, approximately 22 miles; not completed.
- (8) Grand Narrows road from end of pavement at Grand Anse through Dundee, West Bay road, Marble Mountain, Orangedale, Iona, Grand Narrows, Shenacadie, Beaver Cove, Boisdale to Barachois harbour, approximately 81 miles; not completed.
- (9) Kedgemakooge lake road from Lequile near Annapolis Royal through Graywood, South Milford and Maitland bridge to Kempt, approximately 32 miles; completed.
- (10) Long Island road from Freeport to Tiverton, approximately 11 miles; completed.
- (11) Cape Blomidon road from Pereau through Blomidon to Cape Split, approximately nine miles; not completed.

- (12) Parrsboro shore road from end of pavement at Port Greville to Advocate, approximately 12 miles completed.
- (13) Bay St. Lawrence road from Cape North village through Capstick to Neat Cove, together with a spur to Bay St. Lawrence, approximately 17 miles; not completed.
- (14) Englishtown road from Barachois bridge through Englishtown to the trans-Canada highway, approximately seven miles not completed.
- (15) Blandford loop from East river through Deep Cove, Blandford and Bayswater to end of pavement near Hubbard's, approximately 24 miles; not completed.
- (16) Riverport road from end of pavement at LaHave ferry to highway 3 near Dayspring, approximately eight miles completed.

CONFERENCE ON WATER DESALINATION

Question No. 1,850—Mr. Howe (Hamilton South):

Has the Canadian government received an invitation from the United States government to participate in the first international symposium on water desalination to be held in Washington in October, 1965 and, if so, has the invitation been accepted?

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): 1. Yes.

2. Not yet, but departments and other interested private agencies are being consulted.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO AGRICULTURE MINISTER

Question No. 1,856-Mr. Millar:

Has the Minister of Agriculture engaged a special assistant and, if so (a) what is his name (b) what was his former employment (c) what is his experience and qualifications (d) what are his duties (e) what is his salary (f) what was the date of his engagement?

Hon. Harry W. Hays (Minister of Agriculture): Yes.

- (a) Don Peacock.
- (b) Reporter in parliamentary press gallery.
- (c) A native of High River, Alberta, Mr. Peacock spent many of his early years in rural Alberta, acquiring a familiarity with agriculture through personal experience as a farm hand. During his 11 years in the parliamentary press gallery, he was at various times responsible for reporting on the activities of the Canada Department of Agriculture and through this acquired background knowledge of its activities.
- (d) His duties are to assist the Minister of Agriculture with the various details in-