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OLD AGE SECURITY PAYMENTS INCREASE

Question No. 816—**Mr. Howe (Wellington-Huron)**:

1. Is there to be an increase in old age security payments in the near future?
2. If there is such an increase, how much is it and why are these payments being increased?

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1. Yes, in January 1968. This information was made known to the house on October 18 when the Minister of National Health and Welfare tabled a press announcement concerning pension increases.

2. The Old Age Security Act provides for an increase in the basic amount of the pension related to increases in the Pension Index. As a result of the Pension Index increasing by two per cent for 1968, Old Age Security pensions will increase from \$75 to \$76.50 in January. In addition, the maximum supplement payable under the Guaranteed Income Supplement portion of the Old Age Security Act will rise from \$30 to \$30.60 a month. For those receiving the maximum supplement their combined benefit will be \$107.10.

Questions

EXPENDITURES BY COMMISSION ON BILINGUALISM AND BICULTURALISM

Question No. 825—**Mr. Godin**:

1. What were the total expenditures incurred by the royal commission on bilingualism and biculturalism?
2. What were the total expenditures incurred by each of the members of the commission since their appointment?
3. How much will the work of the commission cost the federal treasury?
4. How many copies of the preliminary report of the commission were printed (a) what was the total cost (b) how many copies were printed in French (c) how many copies were printed in English?
5. How many copies of the first report of the commission were printed (a) what was the total cost (b) how many copies were printed in French (c) how many copies were printed in English?
6. How is the distribution being made of the first report of the commission?

[Translation]

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Prime Minister's Office and the Department of Public Printing and Stationery as follows: 1. The total expenditures incurred by the Royal Commission on Bilingualism and Biculturalism from August 1963 up to November 30, 1967, were \$6,601,531.06.

2. The total expenditures incurred by each of the members of the Commission since their appointment in July 1963 up to November 30, 1967 were as follows:

Commissioners	Living & Travel Expenses*	No. of days at \$100 per day	Total Honorary Payments	Total Expenditures
C. Cormier, Moncton, N.B.	\$ 12,579.94	321½	\$ 32,150.00	\$ 44,729.94
D. Dunton, Ottawa	4,256.08	528½	52,850.00	57,106.08
R. Frith, Toronto	15,321.74	530	53,000.00	68,321.74
J.-L. Gagnon, Montreal	16,312.35	823½	82,350.00	98,662.35
Mrs. G. Laing, Calgary	25,098.09	416½	41,650.00	67,748.09
P. Lacoste, Montreal	2,393.05†	203	20,300.00	22,693.05
A. Laurendeau, Montreal	16,747.10	903	90,300.00	107,047.10
J. Marchand, Quebec	5,215.03†	144½	14,450.00	19,665.03
J. Rudnyckyj, Winnipeg	18,133.65	394½	39,450.00	57,583.65
F. Scott, Montreal	8,136.44	381	38,100.00	46,236.44
P. Wyczynski, Ottawa	3,967.66	392½	39,250.00	43,217.66
Total	\$129,161.13		\$503,850.00	\$633,011.13

*Reimbursement of actual travel expenses plus allowance of \$20 per diem to cover living expenses while absent from home city on Commission business.

†J. Marchand resigned as Commission member September 1965. P. Lacoste appointed Commissioner November 1965.