Questions

## INQUIRY FOR RETURN

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES—CIVIL SERVANTS— WEEKLY WORK PERIODS

Hon. Edouard Rinfret (Postmaster General): Mr. Speaker, on Saturday the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles) asked that the return to an order dealing with the five-day week be tabled before the close of the present session. This order was referred to departments of the government. There are still four departments to furnish replies and I understand that some of the information is to be supplied by agencies of the government outside Ottawa. It is expected the return will be tabled before the close of the present session.

#### QUESTIONS

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS, WINDSOR, ONT.

### Mr. Brown (Essex West):

1. When was the Canadian National Railways station at Windsor, Ontario, erected?

2. Have there been any major repairs made on the

said building since erection?

3. Has there been any extension made of the said building since erection?

4. If so, how much has been expended on repairs or extension of the said building by years since 1935?

5. How many railroad passengers have entered Windsor, Ontario, by Canadian National Railways from January 1, 1945, to date?

6. How many passengers have left Windsor by Canadian National Railways from January 1, 1945,

to date?

7. What has been the passenger revenue of Cana-

dian National Railways at Windsor, since 1940? 8. What has been the revenue for hauling freight and express of Canadian National Railways at Windsor, Ontario, since 1940?

9. Has there been any other revenue obtained by Canadian National Railways since 1940 at Windsor, Ontario? If so, from what source, and how much?

#### Mr. Benidickson:

The Canadian National Railways advise:

- 1. 1883.
- 2. In 1910 some interior alterations were made to the station and in 1926 an improved heating system was installed.
- 4. To answer this question would entail considerable extra work because records of repairs to individual structures are not maintained.
- 5. There are no records readily available which would disclose the information necessary to answer this question. The number of passengers entering Windsor could only be determined by counting ticket sales which would involve checking the sales of all agencies for the years concerned.
  - 6. See answer to No. 5.
- 7. Passenger revenue would be determined from the ticket sales and answer to No. 5 [Mr. Howe.]

explains why this information is not available. In any case, it is not the practice of the company to disclose traffic statistics pertaining to the business transacted at competitive points.

- 8. See answer to No. 7.
- 9. The railways' accounts are not maintained in a way which makes it possible to extract this information.

### RADIOTELEPHONES-INSTALLATION IN NEWFOUNDLAND

#### Mr. Browne (St. John's West):

- 1. Have any radiotelephones been installed in any part of the province of Newfoundland since July 1, 1951? If so, in what localities?
  - 2. If not, when will they be ready for installation?

#### Mr. Benidickson:

The Canadian National Railways advise:

- 2. It is expected that installation of planned radiotelephones will commence on a progressive basis in about four months' time.

### CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS, EDMUNDSTON, N.B.

#### Mr. Dube:

- 1. When was the present Canadian National Railways station and freight shed in Edmundston, New Brunswick, built?
- 2. How many passengers have left Edmundston, New Brunswick, by the Canadian National Railways since January 1, 1935?
- 3. What has been the freight and express revenue of the Canadian National Railways at Edmundston since 1935?

# Mr. Benidickson:

The Canadian National Railways advise as follows:

- 1. The station was built in 1912 with two small extensions; one in 1928 and the other in 1930. The freight shed was also built in 1912 with a 50 ft. extension in 1929.
- 2. There are no records readily available which would disclose the information necessary to answer this question. The number of passengers leaving Edmundston could only be determined by counting ticket sales which would involve checking the sales of all agencies for the years concerned.
- 3. There are no records readily available which would disclose the information necessary to answer this question. The freight and express revenue of the Canadian National Railways at Edmundston could only be determined by examining the accounts of all agencies for the years concerned. In any case, it is not the practice of the company to disclose traffic statistics pertaining to the business transacted at competitive points.