

Questions

4. Is Canada's share of the OEM production increasing or decreasing?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): 1. The dollar value of shipments of all parts from Canadian motor vehicle parts manufacturers for each year since 1962 in \$ Millions is as follows: 1962, 436.3; 1963, 544.9; 1964, 627.9; 1965, 755.6; 1966, 860.5; 1967, 912.4; 1968, 1,193.8; 1969, 1,387.9; 1970, 1,208.2. These figures include all parts, original equipment and others. Statistics Canada does not provide a breakdown for original equipment parts only. The foregoing values indicate the total ex-factory selling price.

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4. Assuming that the proportion of OEM production in relation to the total production of parts is relatively constant throughout the period, Canada's share has increased.

RE-ORGANIZATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE COMMISSION

Question No. 1,367—Mr. Fairweather:

1. Is the Unemployment Insurance Commission undergoing reorganization and, if so, how is New Brunswick affected?

2. What city will be designated the "parent" office?

3. What cities are designated "satellite" offices?

4. Will Saint John, the largest industrial city in New Brunswick, be designated a "parent" office and, if not, how many of the Saint John staff will have to move?

5. What are the criteria used to designate a particular city a "parent" office or a "satellite" office?

Hon. Bryce Mackasey (Minister of Labour): 1. Implementation of the new Unemployment Insurance Act will require significant changes in the administrative system. To meet the requirements of the new system, we plan to open 60 to 65 information centres across the country. There is no question of closing offices which already exist or of laying off personnel. Like the other Canadian provinces, New Brunswick will be affected by this change. In fact it will have nine offices instead of the present four.

2. Moncton.

3. Besides the Moncton office, there will be offices in Bathurst, Fredericton, Saint John, Campbellton, Edmundston, Woodstock, Newcastle and St. Stephen to serve the population of New Brunswick. Claims made at those offices will be processed in Moncton.

4. Saint John was not designated as the "parent" office: (a) present staff, 31; (b) after reorganization, 16.

5. To determine the nature of services to be provided in a given region, the following criteria were taken into account: number of claims made, number of active claimants, number of requests for information, availability of premises, distance from "parent" office, means of communication, and so on.

N.B. The term "satellite office" is used within the Commission only. It serves to designate an office with all the usual services except processing of claims.

TRANSPORT—CHRISTENING OF TWO FERRIES FOR USE BETWEEN NEW BRUNSWICK AND PEI

Question No. 1,373—Mr. Coates:

1. Was a federal government aircraft used for the purpose of transporting passengers to the christening at Port Weller, Ontario of two ferries for use between the Province of New Brunswick and the Province of Prince Edward Island and, if so (a) what were the names of the passengers transported (b) what was the basis for supplying the transportation (c) how long was the plane in use for this purpose (d) what was the total mileage involved and the cost to the federal government?

2. Were any Members of the House of Commons involved in the ceremonies associated with the christening and, if so, which Members?

3. Were invitations extended to Members of the House of Commons representing Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick and, if not, for what reasons?

Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): 1. Yes, a federal government aircraft was used to carry Provincial representatives to Port Weller, Ontario, to the christening of Department of Transport ferries. The supplying of transportation was provided on the basis of the Province of Prince Edward Island sponsorship of one of the ships. The aircraft was used for 27 hours and flew 2100 N.M. at a cost of \$2,537.50.

2. Mr. James P. McNulty, M.P. for St. Catharines, Ontario acted as Chairman at the christening ceremonies.

3. Invitations were extended to Members of Parliament in the area in which the shipyard is located.

P.E.I.—CHANGE IN NUMBER OF GUARANTEED LOANS

Question No. 1,386—Mr. MacDonald (Egmont):

1. In Prince Edward Island since January of 1970, was an increase or decrease in the number of loans granted under the Small Businesses Loans Act, the Fisheries Improvement Loans Act and the Farm Improvement Loans Act?

2. What are considered to be the reasons for these increases or decreases?

3. Do any of these increases or decreases reflect long term trends?

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance): 1. Change in Guaranteed Loans—Prince Edward Island—1970 and First Quarter 1971.