

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, March 3, 1969

The house met at 2 p.m.

There were no executions during this period in the Provinces of Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and the Yukon Territory.

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

FRASER VALLEY RAILWAY SERVICE

Question No. 589—**Mr. Rose:**

1. Has the federal government participated in any discussions about the alleged need to rationalize the railway systems in the Fraser Valley?
2. If so, when did the discussions take place and what progress was made?
3. If not, does the government contemplate initiating or being party to such discussions?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): Parts 1, 2, and 3. It is impossible to answer this question in the form presented since the meaning of Part 1 is not clear.

PRISONERS SERVING LIFE SENTENCES

Question No. 1,108—**Mr. Beaudoin:**

1. How many prisoners in federal penitentiaries are serving life sentences?
2. What is their average age?
3. How many have escaped over the past five years, and how many have been recaptured?
4. How many prisoners have been hanged by law since 1940 (a) in Canada (b) in each province?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General):

1. As of 19 December, 1968, there were 387 prisoners in federal penitentiaries serving life sentences.

2. Their average age was 36.7 years.

3. Four of these inmates have escaped over the past five years and all have been recaptured.

4. (a) 171.

(b)

Province	No. of Executions
Ontario	53
Quebec	49
British Columbia	23
Alberta	22
Manitoba	10
New Brunswick	7
Saskatchewan	3
Prince Edward Island	2
North West Territories	2

DEFENCE DEVELOPMENT SHARING PROGRAM

Question No. 1,127—**Mr. Broadbent:**

1. What are the terms and conditions under the Department of Industry's Defence Development Sharing Program?

2. For each fiscal year since its inception, what have been the annual number of projects and the annual expenditures of this program shared by the federal government, Canadian Industry and other foreign governments?

3. (a) Of the successful development projects under the program, what percentage of the total number of projects did the government award the originator of the development project with a contract for production (b) what percentage were transferred for production to companies other than those undertaking the research and development project?

4. What is the total federal government expenditure commitment to this program in the current fiscal year?

5. When were changes made in the Defence Development Sharing Program to allow civil-oriented projects to be eligible for the financial grants provided by the program?

6. What are the reasons for these changes?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): 1. Vote 5 is to develop and sustain the technological capability of Canadian defence industry for the purpose of defence export sales or civil export sales arising from that capability; (a) by supporting selected development programs; (b) by paying one-half of the cost of the acquisition of new equipment required for plant modernization, and (c) by supporting the establishment of production capacity and qualified sources for production of component parts and materials, on terms and conditions approved by the Treasury Board.

2.

Year	Federal Development Expenditure	No. of Projects
1959/60	\$ 1,851,108	4
1960/61	\$ 2,901,667	14
1961/62	\$ 4,420,424	33
1962/63	\$ 8,000,000	28
1963/64	\$19,000,000	39
1964/65	\$20,500,000	48
1965/66	\$23,994,897	60
1966/67	\$22,626,897	56
1967/68	\$22,904,217	53