

Questions

4. What are the principal aims of the Canadian economic association, and do they include participation in political activities?

5. Is the government reconsidering the tax-exempt status of the Canadian economic association?

Mr. Garland: 1. Not aware of this association.

2. Not applicable.

3. Not applicable.

4. Not applicable.

5. Not applicable.

*PROBLEMS OF EXCESSIVE DRINKING, N.W.T.

Question No. 1,372—Mr. Rheume:

1. Have any comprehensive studies been done by the federal government on the social and economic problems resulting from excessive drinking of alcoholic beverages in the N.W.T. and, if so, what studies were done, by whom, and what were the recommendations, if any?

2. Does the government have any program under way to alleviate or combat problems resulting from excessive drinking in the N.W.T. and (a) if so, what are these programs (b) if not, are there any plans to initiate such programs?

Mr. Laing: 1. My department, through the northern co-ordination and research centre, has commissioned studies into the uses of alcoholic beverages in three settlements in the Northwest Territories. These studies are being carried out by Mr. Donald Clairmont, assistant professor of sociology, St. Mary's University, Halifax, N.S. and Dr. John J. Honigmann, professor of anthropology, University of North Carolina. The studies are still in progress, and the only preliminary report received to date contains no recommendations.

In addition the incidence of excessive drinking where this occurs, and special factors which may influence the problem, have been discussed in other sociological reports on northern communities commissioned by the centre.

2. Federal participation in the study of this problem is occasioned by the federal concern for Eskimos. An interdepartmental committee has been at work for some time assembling information on the handling of comparable situations elsewhere in Canada, and assisting in co-ordinating the work of government and private agencies. However, liquor policy is the responsibility of the territorial council and government. As its votes and proceedings show, the council of the Northwest Territories has given extensive and continuing attention to the problem of excessive drinking and to policies to deal with it.

THOMPSON, MAN. RADIO AND
TELEVISION STATIONS

Question No. 1,376—Mr. Fisher:

1. Did the B.B.G. turn down an application for a T.V. transmitter for the Thompson area (sub-

[Mr. Orlikow.]

mitted by a Mr. Metcalfe and based on transmitting C.B.C. programming) because it had approved an A.M. radio station and that the board did not consider that at the time the Thompson market could also support a T.V. station and, if so, when was this decision announced?

2. Has the radio station been constructed or is it in operation?

3. Has the B.B.G. received complaints about the television service situation at Thompson since June 1, 1963 and, if so, from whom, and briefly, to what point?

Mr. Pickersgill: 1. Yes. The decision was announced on March 21, 1962.

2. No.

3. Since June, 1963, the board has received one letter from Mr. R. I. Robinson of Thompson in which he complains of the program quality and technical standard of the service provided by the closed circuit T.V. station CESM at Thompson.

WHEAT SHIPMENTS THROUGH CHURCHILL

Question No. 1,382—Mr. Jones:

How many bushels of wheat have been shipped out of the port of Churchill this year to date?

Answer: Shipments of wheat out of the port of Churchill during the complete 1963 season of navigation amounted to 22,864,409 bushels.

*REAPPLICATION FOR POWER INCREASE,
STATION CJCH-T.V.

Question No. 1,385—Mr. Rideout:

What is the earliest possible date that a re-application can be made by station CJCH-T.V. for a power increase to service the Westmorland county area in the province of New Brunswick?

Mr. Cantin: There is no restriction with regard to this matter.

J. D. HERBERT, PARKS BRANCH

Question No. 1,396—Mr. Fisher:

With regard to J. D. Herbert, an employee of the national parks branch, what are the details, of his birthplace, institution and place by years of his education, his diplomas and degrees, his experience in his field by place and institution, his publications (titles and bibliographical notation), his citizenship and the dates and data on his civil service grading?

Answer: Birthplace: Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

Education: University of Saskatchewan, Canadian history and political science, B.A., 1948; honours, 1949. Toronto University, Canadian history, M.A., 1950.

Awards: Regina college, Smith scholarship, 1946; University of Saskatchewan, honours bursary in political science, 1948; University of Saskatchewan, provincial I.O.D.E. scholarship, 1949; University of Toronto, W. L. Mackenzie King fellowship, 1949.