Orders for Returns

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CO-OPERATIVE CHARTERED BANK, QUEBEC

Question No. 2,086-Mr. Côté (Chicoutimi):

1. Does the government intend to amend the Bank Act in order to permit the establishment of a co-operative chartered bank with capital advanced by the caisses populaires of the province of Quebec and other similar organizations, if not, will consideration be given to such question?

2. Has the government given consideration to the introduction of legislation which would enable caisses populaires of Quebec, while respecting the basic principles underlying their operation, to obtain, if they so desired, a co-operative bank charter implying all the privileges granted the commercial chartered banks and, if not, will consideration be given to such question?

[Translation]

Mr. L. T. Pennell (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Finance): 1 and 2. These are matters of government policy which will be announced if and when legislation is introduced in the house.

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QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

HARBOURS AND RIVERS EXPENDITURES, B.C.

Question No. 1,664-Mr. Barnett:

What, for each of the fiscal years commencing with 1920-21, are expenditures made by the harbours and rivers engineering branch of the Department of Public Works on the seacoast of British Columbia, compiled so as to show (a) the total (b) Vancouver harbour (c) Fraser river-New Westminster harbour (d) Victoria harbour (e) the remainder of the coast subdivided so as to show totals for (i) steamer wharves and floats including dredging and breakwater costs ancillary thereto, and (ii) fishermen's harbours including wharves, floats, dredging and breakwaters ancillary thereto?

Return tabled.

SURVEILLANCE OF POSTAL EMPLOYEES

Question No. 1,939-Mr. Orlikow:

1. In how many post office buildings have peepholes been built through which employees can be observed?

2. In which post office buildings have peepholes

been built?

3. What instructions are given to those assigned by the Post Office Department to observe postal employees through these peepholes?

4. Have any postal employees been charged with theft as a result of observation through the peep-holes and, if so, how many, when, and where? 5. Have postal employees been checked up for

such matters as smoking or taking too long for coffee breaks as a result of being observed through the peepholes in post offices?

6. Is information obtained by observers at post office peepholes used in making decisions as to prospective promotion for postal employees?

Return tabled.

[Mr. Pennell.]

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

Mr. J. B. Stewart (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, motion No. 168 is acceptable to the government, provided that the usual reservation concerning the agreement of the provinces is understood.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the house to adopt the motion subject to the reservation as expressed by the parliamentary secretary?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

PROVINCIAL APPLICATION FORMS FOR STUDENT LOANS

Motion No. 168-Mr. Cantelon:

That an order of the house do issue for a copy of the application form used in each of the provinces in the disbursement of the moneys under the student loans plan.

Motion agreed to.

IMMIGRATION

REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF CASES OF GREEK SEAMEN

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration. Some time ago I asked him to investigate the department's attitude toward appeals against deportation by a number of Greek seamen in Toronto. Is the minister in a position to make a report? Is he able to say that the alleged order that severe measures were to be taken against these seamen, who had jumped ship and who have now become established in Canadian life, will not be applied to them and that they will have an opportunity if otherwise qualified, to become landed immigrants in Canada?

[Translation]

Hon. René Tremblay (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, following the question put to me by the right hon. Leader of the Opposition some time ago, I asked the department to prepare a report on all instructions which might have been given to each of our counsel now engaged in deportation proceedings that could now be before the court. I have not yet received the report. I hope to get it soon so I can answer the question.