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	Without	With
	kitchen equip.	kitchen equip.
Shoquist Con-		
struction Co.	\$191,088	\$193,829
Bird Construc-		
tion Co	192,230	No quotation
Poole Con-		•
struction Co.	195,500	No quotation
Smith Bros. &		
Wilson Ltd	196,967	No quotation
Waterman-		
Waterbury		
Mfg. Co	200,130	204,061

6. Tenders were invited from the following firms:

Shoquist Construction Co., Saskatoon, Sask. C. M. Miners Construction Co., Saskatoon, Sask.

P. W. Graham & Sons, Moose Jaw, Sask.

Carter-Halls-Aldinger Ltd., Regina, Sask.

Bird Construction Co., Regina, Sask.

Smith Bros. & Wilson Ltd., Regina, Sask.

Poole Construction Co., Regina, Sask.

Waterman-Waterbury Mfg. Co., Regina, Sask.

7. Advertisement in newspapers was not made. Invitations to tender were sent out to all those firms in the vicinity known to be in a position to handle a project of this size. Eight invitations to tender were sent out and five tenders were received.

WARTIME HOUSING-PURCHASES OF MATERIAL

Mr. CARDIFF:

1. Are contractors working on contracts for Wartime Housing Limited restricted to making purchases of material from certain companies only?

2. If so, what are the names of the companies?

3. Why are these companies the only ones from whom the contractor may purchase materials?

4. Is this creating a restraint of trade and a breach of the combines act?

Mr. CARDIFF: Mr. Speaker, I would like to have this question withdrawn for redrafting.

Question dropped.

MERCHANT MARINE—ASSISTANCE IN INSTALLING MACHINERY FOR BOAT REPAIRS

Mr. MacLEAN (Cape Breton North-Victoria):

1. Has the government in anywise assisted the Sydney Foundry and Machine Company in placing new machinery in their plant?

2. If so, who pays for this machinery?

Questions

3. Is the firm of Musgrave and Company Limited, North Sydney, being given any work in the repair of government boats or boats of the merchant marine?

4. Has the firm of Musgrave and Company Limited been given any assistance in the purchase of new machinery for their plant?

Mr. HOWE:

1. No.

2. Answered by 1.

3. Musgrave and Company Limited, North Sydney were given several repair jobs on cargo boats during 1941 and it is probable that the services of this contractor will be similarly used during 1942.

4. No.

## CAPE BRETON COAL MINING INDUSTRY-MULGRAVE YARDAGE FACILITIES

Mr. McGARRY:

Has the Minister of Munitions and Supply given any consideration to the advisability of extending the yardage area at the port of Mulgrave, to remedy the transportation problem in the conveyance of coal from the Cape Breton mines?

Mr. HOWE: The hon. member's question was referred to the management of Canadian National Railways, who have replied as follows:—

Traffic capacity of railway route via strait of Canso is not determined by yardage capacity at Mulgrave which is ample for current purposes. It is not proposed therefore to enlarge yard facilities at port of Mulgrave.

## WAGE RATES UNDER WAR CONTRACTS

## Mr. LECLERC:

What is the rate of wages in the following plants on government war contracts, (a) Canada Car Company, Montreal and Hamilton, (b) Small Arms Limited, Toronto. (c) maritime yards at Sorel, Lauzon and Vancouver, (d) munitions industries at Valleyfield (Bouchard & Cherrier)?

Mr. MITCHELL: Whilst the government has knowledge of the schedules of wages being paid to workers in plants where war orders are being executed, complete wage lists from all industrial centres mentioned are not available in the department. The schedules above referred to are often established by agreement between employers and employees. Where no such agreements exist, the following labour condition with respect to wages is attached to each government contract:

All workmen, labourers or other persons who perform labour in or upon the work to be performed by the contractor shall be paid such wages as are generally accepted as current from time to time during the continuance of the contract for competent workmen in the district