

Questions

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State): I have been given the following information by the Public Service Commission: As the Public Service Commission has no class "mailman" all answers to the questions below refer to the official class letter carrier.

1. Section 20 of the Public Service Employment Act reads as follows: "Employees appointed to serve in any department or other portion of the public service, or part thereof, shall be qualified in the knowledge and use of the English or French language or both, to the extent that the commission deems necessary in order that the functions of such department, portion or part can be performed adequately and effective service can be provided to the public."

2. (a) 161. (b) Four in the province of Ontario; none in other provinces.

3. Yes, provided a knowledge of the French language was indicated as a requirement for the position.

4. At the time of interview, applicants are given an oral examination to determine the degree of ability to understand or to speak the language, or languages, as the case may be. The Public Service Commission will shortly have tests designed to determine the candidate's ability to read and to write the language, or languages, as the case may be.

YOUTH TRAVEL AND EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Question No. 952—Mr. Bell (Carleton):

1. During the year 1967, how many (a) students (b) escorts, took advantage of the youth travel and exchange program?

2. (a) On what basis is the federal contribution thereto made (b) what was the total cost thereof to the Government of Canada?

3. Will the program be continued in 1968 and subsequent years?

4. If so, is it anticipated that (a) changes will be made in the program and, if so, what changes (b) an increasing number of students will be enabled to have the advantage of the program?

5. By what branch or division of government will the program be administered?

6. Who is the director or chief thereof?

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1. (a) 4,800. (b) 400.

2. (a) The federal government paid all travel costs and made a grant to each province of \$260 per unit for travelling expenses and \$520 per unit for hosting purposes. (b) \$820,000.

3. Yes.

4. (a) Yes. Whereas the commission did not support exchanges with other countries, such projects will be supported in the future and will account for about 10 per cent of total programs. Furthermore, the following changes are made to domestic programs: Federal-Provincial: The name will be changed from "The Federal/Provincial Youth Travel Program" to "The Young Voyageur Program". Provinces will put more emphasis on the educational aspects of the program. Voluntary Agencies: Projects will be assessed on the basis of the contribution they make to the development of a higher standard of Canadian citizenship. A small international dimension is to be added. (b) No.

5. The travel and exchange division of the citizenship branch, Secretary of State.

6. J. R. Préfontaine.

PILOTAGE BOARD

Question No. 968—Mr. Latulippe:

1. When was the Pilotage Board set up and who are the members of that Board?

2. What are the total expenditures of the Board?

3. What are the total expenditures for each of the members since their appointment?

4. Who are the full-time and part-time employees of the Board and what amounts have they received since their appointments?

5. When will the Board's report be published?

Mr. John R. Matheson (Parliamentary Secretary to Prime Minister): I am informed by the royal commission on pilotage as follows: 1. The royal commission on pilotage was appointed on November 1, 1962 by P.C. 1962-1575. Its members are: Hon. Y. Bernier, Judge of the Superior Court of Quebec. Mr. R. K. Smith, Q.C., Waterloo, Ontario. Mr. H. A. Renwick, Vancouver, B.C.

2. The total expenditures of the royal commission on pilotage from Nov. 1, 1962 to February 1, 1968 has amounted to \$917,867.

3. The total expenditures for each of the commissioners for the period November 1962 to February 1, 1968, is: Hon. Y. Bernier, \$67,443.00, covering per diem living allowance (\$50.00) plus travelling expenses. Mr. R. K. Smith, Q.C. \$56,505.00, covering per diem honorarium (\$100.) and living allowance (\$20) plus travelling expenses. Mr. H. A. Renwick, \$52,123.00, covering per diem honorarium (\$100.) and living allowance (\$20) plus travelling expenses.