

Questions

C.M.H.C. MORTGAGES BOUGHT BY
CHARTERED BANKSQuestion No. 889—**Mr. Garland:**

Were any of the mortgages sold by C.M.H.C. in its sixth offering acquired by one or more of the Canadian chartered banks and, if so, what are the details of the transactions in each case?

Mr. McCleave: On Wednesday, November 21, the Minister of Public Works informed the house of the results of the sixth offering of N.H.A. insured mortgages in general terms. It would not be in the public interest or in the interests of the purchasers to make public the details of the transactions in each case. The object of the auctions is to stimulate the development of a market in which mortgages will be sold and purchased. Those eligible to bid are approved lenders including chartered banks, and members of the Investment Dealers' Association of Canada.

RESUMPTION OF WORK ON GAP FILLER
RADAR INSTALLATIONSQuestion No. 890—**Mr. McWilliam:**

1. Did the government at any time issue instructions to close down gap filler radar installations now constructed or issue work stoppage instructions with respect to others that were under construction between radar stations on the original Pine Tree line or other radar line and, if so, how many installations were closed down and how many installations came under the work stoppage order?

2. Is it now the intention of the government to reopen the closed down installations and to recommence work on the installations that came under the work stoppage order?

Mr. Harkness: 1. Construction was not completed at any gap filler site and, therefore, no gap filler stations were closed down. However, work was stopped at 25 sites.

2. The resumption of the gap filler program will depend on the R.C.A.F. construction program to be submitted in the 1963-64 estimates.

FOREST PRODUCTS RESEARCH BRANCH PROGRAM

Question No. 897—**Mr. MacRae:**

To what extent does the research program of the forest products research branch of the Department of Forestry reflect the needs of wood-using industries, particularly with respect to adapting their operations to meet changing conditions and to maintain up to date operations?

Mr. Flemming (Victoria-Carleton): Last year an advisory committee of industry on research was set up on a national basis so that representatives of the timber industry from coast to coast could meet with officers of the forest products research branch to discuss the research needs of the various timber industries. Suggestions from industry for research were discussed at two meetings held during 1962, and agreement was reached on the problems requiring the most urgent

[Mr. O'Hurley.]

attention. It is interesting to note that 96 suggestions for possible studies were made by industry and considered at the spring meeting of the committee.

*ROYAL COMMISSIONS APPOINTED

Question No. 899—**Mr. Fane:**

1. How many royal commissions were appointed by the federal government during the period November 15, 1948, and June 17, 1957?

2. Under what names were such commissions carried on?

3. What has been the cost of each such commission?

Mr. Diefenbaker: Mr. Speaker, the answer to part one is 21. There are a large number of items covering figures and costs which, by leave of the house, might be placed on *Hansard*.

Mr. Speaker: Is it agreed.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[*Editor's Note: The items above referred to are as follows:*]

Cases where revocation of citizenship is under consideration, no record available.

Transportation, \$468,853.

National development in the arts, letters and sciences, \$287,101.

Floods in Red river valley, Manitoba, \$8,644.

Fire damage to towns of Rimouski and Cabano, P.Q., \$4,789.

Rents payable on leased lands in townsites and subdivisions in Banff and Jasper national parks and minimum value of buildings which may be erected therein, \$822.

Claims arising out of world war II (Mr. Chief Justice Ilesley), \$8,095.

South Saskatchewan river project, \$151,165.

Staking of areas and application for permits re exploring petroleum products by Sun Oil Co. and California Standard Co., \$1,358.

Claims arising out of world war II (Mr. Chief Justice Campbell), \$684,850. (Paid out of war claims fund and not out of consolidated revenue fund).

Criminal law relating to defence of insanity, criminal sexual psychopaths, \$78,746.

Quartz mining and placer mining in Yukon Territory, \$3,625.

Agreed charges under part IV of the Transport Act, \$19,183.

Patents, copyright, trade marks, \$42,172.

Humber river valley flood, \$1,000.

Coasting trade in Canada, \$247,461.

Long term prospects of the Canadian economy, \$1,303,819.

Broadcasting in Canada, \$328,509.

Dispute between Canadian Pacific Railway and brotherhood of locomotive firemen and enginemen, \$139,979.

Financial position of Newfoundland, \$38,148.