Order Paper Questions

English French Total per cent per cent per cent urs Tuned

Percent of Total Hours Tuned in Average Week to United-States Television Stations

21.0

Total

100 0

PUBLIC WORKS-ESTIMATES 1975-76

Question No. 2,243-Mr. Herbert:

Of the \$644 million estimates for the Department of Public Works for the fiscal year 1975-76, how much can be allocated to each department as being an expense related to that department?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Public Works): The budgetary systems currently in use by the Government of Canada do not permit an objective identification of the portions of the Department of Public Works appropriations attributable to other departments and agencies on a department by department basis. The Department of Public Works does have available, from their computerized Realty Management System, quarterly reports which list all of the buildings currently under their management, together with a rental rate for each building. These status reports in respect of the accommodation inventory are at given points in time and do not relate to the provision in the estimates for the accommodation (operating) programme; the departmental estimates are based on projected requirements, rather than on the current space inventory at the time of Estimates preparation. The 1975-76 provision of \$306 million for the accommodation (capital) programme relates to the construction or acquisition of both general purpose and single purpose facilities, the respective amounts being \$123 million and \$183 million. The general purpose buildings are built to accommodate growth in the government service, to replace buildings which have become obsolete, or to house operations presently accommodated in leased premises. Many of the general purpose projects are large in scope, with construction extending over several years. The new space is not allocated to departments until the buildings near completion. The single purpose buildings differ in that they usually are constructed for the exclusive use of one client. The provision for the administration and the professional and technical services programme is in direct support of all the department's programs. In the case of the other programs, the listed provision is for the Department of Public Works facet of national objectives in which other departments and agencies also have major involvement, examples being the Department of Environment and the Department of Transport.

NEW POST OFFICE—QUEENSVILLE, ONTARIO

Question No. 2,265-Mr. Stevens:

Has the government any immediate plans to build or rent a new post office in Queensville, Ontario and, if so (a) on what date will tenders be called for the construction of the new building or for rental proposals (b) where will it be located?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Public Works): Yes. Present plans call for the construction of a new Post [Mr. Pelletier (Hochelaga).]

Office in Queensville, Ontario. (a) Tenders are tentatively scheduled for September, 1975. (b) It is proposed to locate this building on the north side of the Queensville Road approximately 800 feet east of the main road (Concession 2 and 3).

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE—LANGUAGE TRAINING

Question No. 2,557-Mr. Herbert:

- 1. What are the total costs included in the 1975-76 Estimates of the Department of Agriculture for language training?
- 2. How are such costs divided between (a) salaries of personnel receiving instruction (b) salaries of instructional staff (c) additional or supplementary services to be purchased from the Public Service Commission (d) other costs?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): 1. \$436,000.

2. (a) Nil. (b) \$22,000. (c) Nil. (d) \$414,000.

ADDITION OF A BUTTER FLAVOUR PRODUCT TO STANDARDIZE CREAMERY BUTTER

Question No. 2.638-Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse):

- 1. Has a butter producer the right to add a butter flavour product in order to standardize his production and, if so, which department supervises the use of such a product?
- 2. What is the name of the product and who produces it?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): 1. No. The interpretation section of the Canada Dairy Products Regulations administered by Agriculture Canada defines creamery butter as meaning butter manufactured in a creamery from pasteurized milk fat and containing no substance other than water, milk solids, bacterial culture, common salt and colouring matter.

2. Not applicable.

GREAT LAKES WATER LEVELS

Question No. 2,647-Mr. Herbert:

- 1. Will the study project, which is to be completed by February 1976, into the problems of Great Lakes water levels, include examination of the dredging of a carrying channel in the Montreal area?
- 2. Will such an examination extend to the channel at Ste. Anne de Bellevue through which the waters of the Ottawa River join the St. Lawrence?

Mr. Len Marchand (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of the Environment): 1. Yes.

2. Yes.

LICENSING OF AIR CARRIERS

Question No. 2,649—Mr. Reid:

- 1. Is it government policy that the award of a licence for scheduled passenger airline service, if sponsored by a provincial government, shall be automatic?
- 2. How are the rights of existing carriers who may hold licences in the area to be served, protected under this policy?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): The Canadian Transport Commission advises as follows: 1. No.