

3. How many persons employed by the Government of Canada, as of March 31, 1952, were not under any government employees retirement program?

4. Of the above number of persons not included under any retirement program, how many have been steadily employed for periods of (a) one to three years; (b) three to five years; (c) five to ten years; (d) ten years or over?

By Mr. Wright:—1. Has the government entered into any agreement or arrangement to purchase boneless canned beef from Canadian packers?

2. If so, what are the terms and amounts covered by any such agreement?

By Mr. Thatcher:—1. Since January 1, 1951, have any construction contracts, (in excess of \$100,000) been let by the Department of Defence Production or any other Government Department on a "cost plus" basis?

2. If so, what was the nature of each such contract, and the amount of money involved?

By Mr. Gagnon:—1. What are the names of the lawyers and notaries residing in the county of Chicoutimi, who have acted as agents for the different departments or boards of the Federal Government, during the calendar years 1948 to date?

2. What amount of fees has been paid to each of them, and in what case?

By Mr. Gagnon:—1. How many rural mail services are there in operation in the county of Chicoutimi, and how many contractors carry the mail from the point of arrival to the various post offices?

2. What is the name of each one of them?

3. What is his salary?

4. What distance must he cover to perform his work?

5. When does his contract expire?

Mr. Langlois (Gaspé), Parliamentary Assistant to the Postmaster General, presented,—Return to the foregoing Order forthwith.

By Mr. Thatcher:—1. Since last June, has the Government made any attempt to decrease the volume of pamphlets, periodicals, bulletins, or similar publications, published by the Queen's Printer?

2. If so, what results have been attained?

3. Since last June, what pamphlets, periodicals, bulletins, etc., if any, formerly put out by some Government Department have been discontinued?

4. Has the Government considered the recommendation of the Senate Standing Committee on Finance made last June 23, that a fair charge should be made for necessary Government publications, such as geological surveys, maps, scientific publications, etc.?

5. If so, have any specific steps been taken to implement the recommendation?