

Starred Questions

SECTION 96(A)(2), INDIAN ACT

Question No. 326—Mr. Howard:

Since July 1, 1958, has section 96 (A) (2) of the Indian Act been declared to be in force, and, if so, what is the name of each Indian band affected, and the date upon which the said section was so declared to be in force?

Hon. Ellen L. Fairclough (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, I would ask that this question be made an order for return. I think the answer is too long to be printed at this point.

Mr. Speaker: Order for return.

SARNIA INDIAN RESERVE—LAND HOLDINGS

Question No. 327—Mr. Fisher:

1. In relation to the Sarnia Indian reserve and land deals with outside agencies, do any of the Indians, including the chief, hold land individually which come within the negotiations and arrangements that have been made in the past two years?

2. If so, which Indians, and how much land does each hold?

3. Did the chief alone, or the chief for and with the band council, or the agent for the council, wire the minister asking that there be an extension of the arrangement with dimensional investments?

4. How long has the present incumbent been the chief?

Hon. Ellen L. Fairclough (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, the answer to this question is as follows:

1. Yes.

2. The common lands of the band on the Sarnia reserve consist of only 16 acres. All the remainder of the 3,100 acres involved in this sale has been located to individual members. Particulars, including the name of the Indian locatee and the area held by each individual Indian are contained in schedule "B" of the agreement of sale which was tabled in the house on June 8, 1959, in response to notice of motion No. 106 of May 12, 1959.

3. No.

4. Since June 16, 1958.

NATIONAL SURPLUSES AND DEFICITS

Question No. 330—Mr. Carter:

1. What was the government of Canada's surplus or deficit in each of the years from 1950 to 1960 inclusive?

2. What was the rise or fall in the cost of living for each year during the same period?

Hon. Noel Dorion (Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, I would ask that this question be made an order for return.

Mr. Speaker: Order for return.

[Mr. Speaker.]

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

DISCRIMINATION AGAINST COLOURED RAILWAY EMPLOYEES

Question No. 323—Mr. Martin (Essex East):

1. Has the government received any complaints regarding discrimination against coloured employees of the railways, particularly as regards promotion opportunities?

2. If so, from whom have these complaints been received?

3. What reply has been made?

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MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

OLD CUSTOMS BUILDING, WINNIPEG—DEMOLITION

Motion No. 99—Mr. Argue:

For a copy of all correspondence, telegrams, and other documents exchanged between the Department of Agriculture, the Canadian wheat board, and any individual or company, since January 1, 1961, in connection with the demolition of the old customs building situated at the corner of Main and McDermot avenue in Winnipeg.

Hon. Alvin Hamilton (Minister of Agriculture): I can accept this motion, subject to the usual reservation that correspondence between the department and the wheat board is considered to be privileged.

Mr. Speaker: Subject to the reservation requested by the minister, is it the pleasure of the house to adopt the motion?

Motion agreed to.

GRAIN SALE TO CHINA, 1961—CONTRACT

Motion No. 118—Mr. McIlraith:

For a copy of the contract between the Canadian wheat board and the China Resources Company for the sale of grain covering the period June 1, 1961, to November 30, 1961.

Hon. Alvin Hamilton (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, I have to advise the house that I cannot accept this motion, because it calls for the production of documents which are considered to be privileged.

Mr. G. J. McIlraith (Ottawa West): Mr. Speaker, I point out that this document was referred to by the minister in his statement to the house the other day.