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them with labour market information. At major universities in the United States where there is a sizeable number of Canadian students, additional information on employment opportunities is provided by visiting teams. These teams are comprised of representatives of Canadian universities, the Public Service Commission and the Department of Manpower and Immigration.

6. Financial assistance is available to Canadians engaged in post graduate study or research outside Canada through the National Research Council and the Canada Council. Although there is no single program of federal aid to all graduate students in all fields, many departments of the federal government offer awards to graduate students who are engaged in an area of study which is related to their particular interests.

PRESS RELEASES, MANPOWER AND IMMIGRATION DEPARTMENT

Question No. 722-Mr. Howard (Skeena):

- 1. Does the Department of Manpower and Immigration issue documents which are of the nature of press releases, press communiques, news releases or the like and, if so, how many such documents have been issued since July 1, 1968?
- 2. What has been the cost of (a) printing headings or cover sheets (b) typing the stencils (c) mimeographing or other form of duplicating (d) collating and stapling (e) addressing and mailing the said documents?
- 3. With respect to the paper used for the said documents what is (a) its quality (b) the quantity used and the cost thereof?
- 4. What is the estimate of the number of manhours consumed in the preparation, production and distribution of such documents?

Answer: 1. Yes; since 1 July 1968, a total of 7 press releases have been issued.

- 2. (a) \$77.60; (b) \$3.23; (c) \$44.07; (d) \$98.76; (e) 1040.74.
- 3. (a) No. 7 bond, white, 32M; (b) 23688 sheets were used at a cost of \$97.73.
- 4. The estimated number of manhours consumed in preparation was 99; in production was $25\frac{1}{3}$; and in distribution was 20.

HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE TOLLS, EASTERN TOWNSHIPS

Question No. 727-Mr. Beaudoin:

Has the government received from Chambers of Commerce and other intermediary bodies, especially [Mr. MacEachen.]

in the Eastern Townships, representations regarding abolition of tolls on the Eastern Townships Autoroute and the Champlain Bridge and, if so, what is its policy in this regard?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): In so far as the Champlain bridge is concerned, representations have been received for the abolition of tolls on that bridge and such representations are carefully studied. No change in the present policy of Champlain bridge tolls assessment is contemplated at this time.

*ROCK ISLAND, QUE.—PROTESTS AGAINST NEW POST OFFICE

Question No. 761-Mr. Diefenbaker:

- 1. Has the government received protests from the Mayor and other citizens of Rock Island, Quebec, protesting the construction of a new post office, on the grounds that it is not needed and is an unnecessary expenditure?
- 2. If so, does the government intend to go ahead with the construction?
- 3. Has it entered into an option for the purchase of, or has land been purchased, upon which the said post office is to be located and, if so, at what price?
- 4. What is the estimated cost of the new post office?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): Mr. Speaker, the answer to part of this question is yes. Several written protests have been received from citizens of Rock Island.

The answer to part 2 is that the matter has been reopened and a new study is now under way.

The answer to part 3 is no.

The answer to part 4 is that it is not applicable.

Although the right hon, gentleman is not present today, I would nevertheless apologize for the delay in answering this question.

WINTER WORKS EXPENDITURES, TEMISCAMINGUE CONSTITUENCY

Question No. 808-Mr. Caouette:

- 1. How much did the federal government spend through its Winter Works Program in the federal constituency of Temiscamingue in each of the years from 1962 to 1968 to date?
- 2. How much was spent in each municipality during these same years?