

Questions

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS—COAL

Mr. SMITH (Cumberland):

1. What quantity of coal was consumed by the Canadian National Railways in Canada in the fiscal year 1930-1931, stating countries of

origin and amounts from each; also specify varieties?

2. What quantity of coal was consumed by the Canadian National Railways on their lines in the United States during the fiscal year 1930-1931?

Mr. MANION:

1. Fiscal year, April 30, 1930, to March 31, 1931:

Kind of Coal	Country of Origin		
	Canada Net Tons	United States Net Tons	Great Britain Net Tons
Bituminous..	2,433,300	1,937,500	7,900
Anthracite..	9,900	—
Sub-bituminous..	50,400	—
Lignite..	161,300	—

2. 719,600 net tons.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS—HOTEL AT VANCOUVER

Mr. SWANSTON:

When was the construction of the Canadian National Railways hotel at Vancouver authorized, and (a) what is the estimated cost; (b) how much has been expended to date?

Mr. MANION: August 7, 1926. (a) \$8,791,912.71; (b) \$3,730,224.13.

C.G.S. DRUID

Mr. DUFF:

1. Is the C.G.S. Druid in commission and carrying on work for the Department of Marine?

2. Has the department obtained for this vessel the ordinary certificates covering hull and boiler inspections?

3. If not, why is she allowed to remain in commission?

Mr. DURANLEAU:

1. Yes.

2. No.

3. The Druid was required for laying buoys before the contemplated boiler repairs could be put in hand. It is expected that the ship will be taken out of commission shortly for boiler repairs. In the meantime she is operating under reduced boiler pressure. She is not considered unsafe.

REPARATIONS COMMISSION

Mr. RINFRET:

1. How many claims are still to be heard by the war claims commissioner?

2. What was the total amount paid, including interest, in the year 1930, according to the Friel report; and in the year 1931, according to the McDougall interim report?

3. What is the total amount of claims still to be examined?

[Mr. Stevens.]

4. When is Commissioner McDougall expected to present his final report?

5. Will the government ask for authorization to pay at once the sums recommended in this final report?

Mr. CAHAN:

1. There are 457 cases yet to be reported on, of which 308 have already been heard, leaving a balance of 149 cases. If, however, jurisdiction is admitted in the claims arising out of the Armenian massacres which were filed in 1920-1, there will be in addition 271 cases yet to be reported upon.

2. Payments made under the Friel report during the year 1930 total, with interest, \$23,048.41. Payments made under the McDougall interim report in the year 1931 total, with interest, \$555,948.75.

3. Most of the claims filed are for unstated amounts and, therefore, this question is answered by No. 1.

4. The final report is expected to be completed before the end of the present calendar year.

5. It will depend upon whether and to what extent the governor in council approves such report.

DEPARTMENT OF MARINE—DISMISSALS IN BONAVENTURE

Mr. MARCIL:

1. What dismissals were made by the Department of Marine in the county of Bonaventure?

2. What are the names of those who were dismissed, and the reason of their dismissal?

3. Does the government intend to give to those who were dismissed the opportunity of enjoying the benefits of the pension fund?

Mr. DURANLEAU:

1. Two dismissals were made since 28th July, 1930.