

## Questions

Due notification would, of course, be given of the effective dates of any changes in the present operation to conform with the above plan.

In the event of the adoption of the above arrangement, it is understood that if, as the result of the Madrid conference, any additional channels are made available for broadcasting, a further allocation will be made, as between the United States and Canada, on an equitable basis.

I shall be obliged if you will inform me at your early convenience whether the United States authorities can make the necessary readjustments so that these channels will be available for effective use in Canada.

I have the honour to be,  
with the highest consideration,

Sir,  
Your most obedient,  
humble servant,  
(Sgd.) W. D. Herridge.

To which Mr. Castle, Acting Secretary of State, replied under date of May 5, 1932:

Sir,—

I am grateful for your courtesy in informing me by your note of May 5, 1932, of the technical plan which is being considered by the committee of the Canadian House of Commons as a means of providing Canada with satisfactory radio broadcasting coverage. You inquire whether the authorities of the United States can make the readjustment necessary to render certain channels available for effective use in Canada.

In reply, I am glad to inform you that as notice is given from time to time of the dates of changes to be made in the present operations of Canadian broadcasting stations to conform to the plan set out, this government will be glad to make the necessary readjustments.

It is understood that, if as the result of the Madrid conference, any additional channels are made available for broadcasting, a further allocation will be made, as between the United States and Canada, on an equitable basis.

Accept, sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

W. R. Castle,  
Acting Secretary of State.

## QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk).

## POLITICAL PARTISANSHIP INVESTIGATION

Mr. POULIOT:

1. Was Mr. Alphonse Garon, commissioner, in connection with charges of political partisanship, sworn before performing his duties?

2. If so, where, on what date and by whom?

Mr. CAHAN:

1 and 2. No, but subsequently on 21st October, 1931, at Rimouski, before Notary Marc Andre Filion.

DALHOUSIE, N.B.—MIGUASHA AND CARLETON, QUE.,  
FERRY

Mr. MARCIL:

What were the traffic returns of the subsidized ferry between Dalhousie, New Brunswick, and Miguasha and Carleton, Quebec, for the years 1929, 1930 and 1931 respectively?

[Mr. Bennett.]

Mr. MANION:

	1929	1930	1931
Round trips.. . . .	613	633	654
Passengers carried..	6,756	6,388	2,531
Tons of freight.. . .	32	32	33
Automobiles.. . . .	1,026	1,226	480
Live stock, including teams.. . . .	not stated		166
Average per single trip—			
Passengers.. . . .	5	5	2
Freight.. . . .	52 lbs.	50 lbs.	50 lbs.
Autos.. . . .	$\frac{5}{8}$	1	$\frac{1}{8}$
Live stock.. . . .	—	—	$\frac{1}{8}$

## UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF—QUEBEC PROVINCE

Mr. GOBEIL:

How many requests made to the dominion Labour department by the provincial authorities of the province of Quebec, for works in the various municipalities of said province in 1931-32, pursuant to the Unemployment Relief Act, were refused by said department.

Mr. GORDON: All requests made by the provincial government for municipal works were approved by the Department of Labour and duly authorized by the governor in council.

## MR. ISAIE SAVARD

Mr. LAFLECHE:

1. Is Isaie Savard, of Montreal, in the employ of the government?

2. If so, what is his occupation, his salary and by whom was he recommended?

Mr. RYCKMAN:

1. Yes.

2. Inspector in charge of undervaluation investigations at Montreal—salary \$3,720 per annum from 1st May, 1932. Mr. Savard was formerly division chief, customs excise preventive service, grade 2, with headquarters at Montreal—salary \$4,500 per annum. In the first instance his appointment was recommended by the late F. W. Cowan, chief, customs excise preventive service.

## QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

## GOVERNMENT TELEPHONES

Mr. SPOTTON:

1. How many telephones were in operation in all departments of the federal government on September 1, 1930?

2. How many telephones are at present in operation in the various departments of the federal government?

3. What is the saving per annum to the government by the reduction of telephone service?