

Questions

Records are not maintained in a manner which would indicate whether such costs cover attendance at, or transportation to, either French or English language schools.

[English]

NEWFOUNDLAND POST OFFICE CLOSURES

Question No. 1,412—Mr. Marshall:

1. What post offices are to be closed in the Province of Newfoundland?
2. What is the reason in each case as to why such decision is being taken?
3. What was the annual revenue of each post office to be closed and the cost of operation?

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General):

In so far as the Post Office Department is concerned:

1 and 3.

Post Office	Revenue	Cost of
	\$	Operation
		\$
Champneys	541.00	1,800.00
Champneys West	455.00	1,400.00
Cuslett	226.00	1,000.00
English Harbour T.B.,	515.00	1,600.00
Point au Mal	234.00	800.00
Steady Brook	556.00	1,200.00
Trinity East	835.00	1,800.00
Fox Island River	49.00	600.00
Angels Cove	202.00	1,000.00
North Boat Harbour	110.00	800.00

2. Limited usefulness.

Note: Further studies are being conducted with a view to closing additional Post Offices within the closing program criteria but no decision has been made on any particular case as yet.

MAPLE SYRUP

Question No. 1,416—Mr. Aiken:

1. What action, if any, has been taken by officers of the Food and Drug Directorate with regard to the use of the word "maple" as it pertains to the use of pure maple syrup?
2. What action, if any, has been taken by the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs to ensure that containers purporting to contain maple syrup do in fact contain pure maple syrup?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Departments of National Health and Welfare and Consumer and Corporate Affairs as follows: 1. Under the Food and Drugs Act objection is taken to the use of the name "maple syrup" in advertising, labelling and on restaurant menus, if in fact the product referred to is not pure maple

syrup. During the past few months a number of restaurants have been visited by inspectors of the Food and Drug Directorate. In two cases it was found that while menus indicated that maple syrup was being served, this in fact was not the case. The owners of the restaurants were sent warning letters and subsequent inspections have indicated that both restaurants have corrected the situation. Surveillance is being maintained by the Food and Drug Directorate of the Department of National Health and Welfare at the present time. However, it is the intention of the government to transfer this responsibility to the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs.

2. Until recently the General Service Division of the Production and Marketing Branch, Department of Agriculture, was entirely responsible for enforcing the Maple Products Industry Act. The inspectors of this Division were responsible for taking samples from stores at the retail level and sending them for analysis to the food and drug laboratories operated by the Department of Health and Welfare. While the inspection continued on a year round basis, it was at its most vigorous during and just after the maple syrup season. Since the transfer of the retail inspection service to the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, the responsibility for enforcing the Maple Products Act at the retail level now rests with the Operations Branch of the Bureau of Consumer Affairs. Maple syrup products will continue to be inspected at the retail level and the inspection service will be extended, where necessary, to give the broadest coverage possible.

LAWYERS IN CANADA

Question No. 1,426—Mr. Fortin:

1. During each of the past five years, what was the number of lawyers in Canada?
2. During each of the past five years, what was the average salary of lawyers in Canada?

[Translation]

Hon. Jean-Luc Pépin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Insofar as the Dominion Bureau of Statistics is concerned: 1. At the 1961 Census, there were 11,777 males and 311 females who reported their occupation as that of "lawyer or notary". The detailed occupational structure of the Canadian labour force is determined only at decennial censuses, and no data are available from DBS covering the past five years.