

Questions

forest and park authorities which explain the current outbreak conditions and give some forewarning of conditions which are likely to prevail the succeeding spring. Chemical control of this insect is recommended only in important tourist or recreation areas. The survey is prepared to take an active part in gathering data for the planning and subsequent assessment of these operations.

*CANNED RED TUNA CAT FOOD

Question No. 959—Mr. Haidasz:

1. Has the Minister of Fisheries received any complaints concerning imported canned red tuna catfood?
2. What is the reported incidence of steatitis in animal pets fed canned red tuna?
3. What are the present regulations concerning imported canned red tuna catfood?

Mr. MacLean (Queens): Yes, three complaints regarding this incident.

2. Only one case of steatitis, or fatty degeneration in pets has been reported to the department. I am informed this condition is caused by lack of vitamin E.

3. The Meat and Canned Foods Act, under which canned fish is inspected, contemplates food for man only. There are, therefore, no regulations dealing with the inspection of pet food. Canned red tuna, however, is an excellent source of protein, but is not in itself a balanced ration as it is deficient in vitamin E.

NORTH FRASER HARBOUR COMMISSION

Question No. 962—Mr. Laing:

1. In 1961, what was (a) total tonnage of freight (b) total board feet of saw logs (c) total value of all commodities (d) total revenue, administered by the North Fraser harbour commission?
2. Under the proposed revisions in the New Westminster harbour commission, will the government ensure the continuing independence of the North Fraser harbour commission?

Mr. McBain: 1. (a) 5,485,797 tons (including logs). (b) 1,237,079,973 FBM. (c) Not available. (d) \$164,137.33.

2. Yes.

COST OF PUBLIC DEBT SERVICE

Question No. 964—Mr. Laing:

In each year since 1945, what percentage of total budgetary expenditure has been required for service of the public debt?

Mr. Graffey: This information is published annually in the public accounts: For the years 1945 and 1946 in statement entitled "Percentage Distribution of Revenue and Expenditure;" for years 1947 on, in statement entitled "Summary of Budgetary Expenditures by Departments and Major Classifications."

RADIO STATION CFPR, PRINCE RUPERT, B.C.

Question No. 965—Mr. Howard:

What plans are in existence and what steps are being taken to increase the wattage output of radio station CFPR in Prince Rupert, B.C.?

Mr. Halpenny: I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that preliminary site studies have been made for a transmitter location, which will accommodate a directional antenna for a proposed new 5000 watt station to broaden radio coverage, including service to the Queen Charlotte islands. This project is one of those on which planning has been suspended for the balance of this fiscal year, as announced by the C.B.C. in September, 1962 with the reduction in the budget for capital expenditures.

ANNUAL PAYMENTS UNDER UNEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE ACT

Question No. 966—Mr. Laing:

Since the inception of the Unemployment Assistance Act, what has been the annual sum paid each province and territory under the act?

Mrs. Casselman: