

Order Paper Questions

[Translation]

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 79, 153, 162, 214, 251, 416 and 517.

I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

[Text]

MERCHANT MARINE

Question No. 79—**Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse):**

1. Did Canada have a merchant marine, and, if so (a) during which years (b) how many ships did it consist of, and in each case, what was its tonnage?

2. In the 1977-78 fiscal year, did the government own any ships and, if so (a) how many (b) what was their total value (c) how many were in service?

Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): In so far as Transport Canada is concerned:

1. Canada has had a merchant marine since the early part of the eighteenth century. The following table lists the number of vessels and the gross registered tonnage for selected years from 1920 to 1977 for the foreign trade and from 1950 to 1977 for the inland waters trade. Statistics on the inland waters trade are not readily available prior to 1950. While an accurate trend is shown by this table some inaccuracies may exist due to the different methods of collecting statistics over the long time frame involved.

1000 Gross Tons and Over

Year	Inland Water Trade		Foreign Trade Excluding the Great Lakes	
	Number	Gross Registered Tons	Number	Gross Registered Tons
1920			82	334,430
1925			79	422,201
1930			66	397,527
1935			42	295,951
1939			38	241,684
1945			173	1,075,903
1950	255	724,174	88	582,651
1955	252	875,395	25	183,336
1960	252	927,273	18	150,459
1965	199	1,356,833	3	43,715
1970	163	1,507,827	3	57,757
1971	156	1,486,236	4	27,685
1972	157	1,544,850	6	37,736
1973	139	1,475,872	5	24,376
1974	146	1,512,932	3	13,010
1975	143	1,502,695	1	4,045
1976	146	1,546,201	3	56,479
1977	150	1,674,405	3	56,479

2. (a) 79 government-owned ships operated by the Canadian coast guard of Transport Canada.

(b) \$222,373,833.

(c) all 79 ships were in service.

In so far as fisheries and oceans is concerned:

[Mr. Speaker.]

1. See Transport Canada.

2. (a) 258 vessels over 20 feet in length;

(b) In 1978 dollars replacement value is \$350,000,000;

(c) 245 vessels over 20 feet in length.

In so far as the Department of National Defence is concerned:

1. See Transport Canada.

2. (a) 132.

(b) *\$3,274,621,000 (Fiscal year 1977/78).

(c) 119.

*The value was obtained using the original acquisition cost of the vessels multiplied by the inflation factor from a DND economic model. This does not represent the actual cost of replacement as the true cost of acquisition of new vessels would be much greater.

VFR SUPPLEMENT

Question No. 153—**Mr. Brisco:**

1. Regarding the November 2, 1978 editions of the VFR Supplement published by the Surveys and Mapping Branch, Department of Energy, Mines and Resources (a) what is the best estimate of the per unit cost of the edition which will provide coverage of Quebec south of 60 degrees north and the National Capital Region in French and English and will contain coverage of the rest of Canada south of 60 degrees north in English only (b) what is the best estimate for the cost of the total number of the partially bilingual edition (c) what is the best estimate of the per unit cost of the English only edition which will provide coverage of Canada south of 60 degrees north (d) what is the best estimate of cost for the total number of English only publications?

2. Does all the information appear in English in the partially bilingual edition and, if so, what is the justification for publishing both editions?

Mr. Pierre Bussières (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): The Department of Energy, Mines and Resources reports as follows:

1. (a) The VFR Supplement is produced under contract and the unit cost estimate for the November 2, 1978 edition which provides coverage of Quebec south of 60 degrees north and the national capital region in French and English and the remainder of Canada south of 60 degrees north in English only is \$1.59.

(b) Production cost for the 7,651 partially bilingual supplements is \$12,165. For this issue subscribers were given the option of receiving either the partially bilingual edition or an English only edition. At this time, however, not all returns have been received, and for these subscribers it was decided that they will continue to receive the partially bilingual edition until the Canada map office is in receipt of subscriber direction to convert to the English edition. It is anticipated that the eventual bilingual production quantity will be approximately 3,000.

(c) \$0.96.

(d) \$15,183.

2. Yes. In addition, a section has been included which provides coverage of the province of Quebec (south of 60 degrees north) and the national capital region in French. The two editions are published in order to meet operational