

Questions as Orders for Returns

4. How much Canadian inedible animal tallow, grease and oil, not for food, is manufactured into edible products?

Mr. HAYHURST:

1. How many tank steamers of vegetable oils (not for food) were brought into Canada in the year, (a) 1936; (b) 1937?

2. How much shortening was made from imports of vegetable oils designated as (not for food) in, (a) 1936; (b) 1937?

3. What quantity of vegetable oils for food in pounds was imported into Canada in the year, (a) 1936; (b) 1937?

4. What quantity of vegetable oil shortening was produced in Canada in, (a) 1936; (b) 1937?

5. How much vegetable oil shortening was made from imports for food purposes in, (a) 1936; (b) 1937?

6. What is the average cargo of a tank steamer of vegetable oils?

DREDGES OWNED BY CANADIAN GOVERNMENT

Mr. HARTIGAN:

1. How many Canadian government owned dredges are there in Canada?

2. Where are they located?

3. At what amount does the government value them?

4. How many Canadian government tugs are there in Canada?

5. Where are they located?

6. At what amount does the government value them?

RURAL MAIL CARRIERS

Mr. FERLAND:

1. During the current fiscal year, what is the average rate per mile annually paid to rural mail carriers: (a) in the whole of Canada; (b) in each of the provinces?

2. During the same period, what will be the cost of mail distribution by rural carriers?

3. What would be the additional cost if all the rates for rural mail service below \$35 per mile per annum were raised to \$35?

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PROVINCES

Mr. PURDY:

1. What was the amount of financial assistance granted by the federal government to and/or in each province of the dominion for the fiscal year 1936-37, and also from April 1, 1937, to February 28, 1938, including any commitments not fully implemented?

2. What were the respective amounts under the principal headings?

COST OF RELIEF—INCOME TAX COLLECTIONS

Mr. CHURCH:

1. How is the item one hundred millions, mentioned by the Minister of Labour as the cost if the government assumed and took over the total cost of relief in Canada, made up?

2. If the amount spent as at present per annum under provincial agreements is deducted, what will the balance be?

[Mr. Barber.]

3. What is the total income tax collected in Canada for the last year of record?

4. How much does Ontario contribute?

5. What does the Toronto district contribute?

6. How much is now spent on relief for all Canada?

7. How much a year is spent on drought relief in Saskatchewan?

JAPANESE IMMIGRATION

Right Hon. W. L. MACKENZIE KING (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, on Friday last the right hon. leader of the opposition (Mr. Bennett) inquired if it has been ascertained, as the result of the investigations that have been made, how many Japanese have entered this country illegally.

My right hon. friend proceeded to say that possibly the minister would be unable to give an answer at this stage. That is correct. The inquiries which have been proceeding have given a very considerable amount of information, but it would not be possible to give any definite or conclusive reply to the question at the present stage. One of the main purposes of establishing the board of review to which I referred on Friday is to procure this full information. I may add that as the result of inquiries by immigration officers and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, 145 Japanese have been deported for illegal entry in the period 1931 to date.

Right Hon. R. B. BENNETT (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I was going to ask the Prime Minister, not knowing that he would answer my other inquiry to-day, whether or not the jurisdiction of the board of review will extend to the whole question of Japanese immigration and penetration into our country, or would it be limited, as a reading of his remarks might indicate? There is a good deal of interest in the matter, and I have been asked to ascertain, if possible, just what the jurisdiction would be in the premises.

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: The board has been appointed to deal with the subject of illegal entries—

Mr. BENNETT: Only?

Mr. MACKENZIE KING: Only, yes. However, I would assume that in any inquiry directed to illegal entries, much information that was incidental thereto would be ascertained.

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

PRAIRIE FARM REHABILITATION ACT

Mr. MITCHELL (for Mr. Hansell):

For a copy of all letters, telegrams, correspondence, contracts, tenders and other docu-