Order Paper Questions

ACCIDENTS INVOLVING FEDERALLY SUPERVISED TRUCK TRANSPORT

Question No. 153-Mr. Forrestall:

For each of the past five years, what has been the (a) number of accidents involving federally supervised truck transport (b) number of such accidents that involved fatal injuries (c) number of such fatalities?

Mr. Joseph-Philippe Guay (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): There is no federally supervised truck transport. The Motor Vehicle Transport Act (1954) assigns federal responsibility in this area to the provincial motor carrier regulatory boards.

NATIONAL DEFENCE—GROSS TAKE HOME PAY

Question No. 183-Mr. Forrestall:

By rank, for officers and men, what percentage of gross pay to Canadian Armed Forces personnel was actually taken home by CAF personnel in 1963, 1968, 1972, and 1973?

Hon. James Richardson (Minister of National Defence): To provide the information as requested by rank, would entail heavy expenditure in terms of man hours and dollars, and in view of the heavy commitments and workload of the department, these resources are not available. However, the following information may provide the required comparison.

| | Officers percent | Men percent |
|------|---------------------|----------------|
| 1963 | 84 | 88 |
| 1968 | 77 | 83 |
| 1972 | 74 | 79 |
| 1973 | 73 | 79 |

Note: The above data represents gross pay less deduction for income tax, pension, supplementary death benefits and unemployment insurance.

AMOUNT PAID INTO CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND BY CANADIAN COMMERCIAL CORPORATION

Question No. 221-Mr. Forrestall:

With reference to Article 47 of the Auditor General's report for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1973 (a) where is the \$2,724,000 which the Auditor General feels should have been paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund by the Canadian Commercial Corporation (b) to whom is that money available now (c) is that money currently gaining interest and, if so, at what rate?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services): (a) The money was disbursed by the Canadian Commercial Corporation in repayment of authorized advances from the Defence Production Revolving Fund. (b) To the Department of Supply and Services, responsible for the administration of the Defence Production Revolving Fund in accordance with the Defence Production Act. (c) No.

[Mr. Guay (St. Boniface).]

TAX REVIEW BOARD PUBLICITY EXPENDITURES

Question No. 263-Mr. Nystrom:

- 1. What were the amounts of money spent by the Tax Review Board on publicity and/or information in each of the fiscal years 1972-73 and 1973-74 to date?
- 2. What were the names and addresses of firms and individuals who received these contracts, what amounts of money were spent in each case and what was the purpose of each contract?
- 3. In the case of expenditures for publicity and/or information made within the department by its publicity or information division, what was the amount in each case and the purpose of the expenditure?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Justice): 1. 1972-73, none: 1973-74 to date. \$237.22.

- 2. St. Catharines *Standard*, St. Catharines, Ontario, \$54.72. Notice of sittings for appeals. Kitchener-Waterloo *Record*, Kitchener, Ontario, \$65. Notice of sittings for appeals. *The Spectator*, Hamilton, Ontario, \$117.50. Notice of sittings for appeals.
 - 3. Not applicable.

MILK SUBSIDY

Question No. 329-Mr. Reynolds:

With reference to the Prime Minister's statement of September 4 as recorded at page 6,184 of *Hansard* that there will be a milk subsidy of five cents per quart, for what reason has there been a recent one cent a quart increase in the Province of British Columbia, with a further one cent increase to be put in effect January, 1974?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): The agreement between Canada and British Columbia regarding the federal consumer milk subsidy provides for price changes to the consumer only when the cost, as determined by the legal formula under the British Columbia Milk Industry Act, changes by about one cent per quart. Such a cost change occurred and the consumer price thus changed by one cent. Thus throughout the life of the agreement the consumer will be paying five cents less per quart than would have been the case had the federal government not put this program in place.

INVOLUNTARY STERILIZATION OF PSYCHIATRIC PATIENTS Question No. 355—Mr. Rowland:

- 1. Is the involuntary sterilization of persons undergoing psychiatric care permitted and, if so, is consideration being given to amending the Criminal Code so as to render such practices illegal?
- 2. Has the involuntary sterilization of persons under psychiatric care been carried out in Canada in the past five years and, if so, in what jurisdictions and in what numbers?
- Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Departments of Justice and National Health and Welfare as follows: 1. This question seeks a legal opinion and, therefore, may not be answered.
- 2. Only the provinces can provide a reply to this question as they have sole jurisdiction over the treatment of those under psychiatric care. Sterilization performed in National Health and Welfare hospitals occurs after the written and signed consent of the patient and the spouse has been obtained. This consent is granted by the person affected and the spouse only after a full explanation has been given them.