

Questions

Mr. J. A. Byrne (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): The Canadian Maritime Commission advises as follows: 1. (a) \$130,721,047.52; (b) Allied Shipbuilding Ltd. \$1,659,774.80; B.C. Marine Engineers & Shipbuilders Ltd., \$364,720.25; Bel-Aire Shipyard Ltd., \$166,546.70; Benson Bros. Shipbuilding Co. (1960) Ltd. (formerly A. C. Benson Shipyard Ltd.), \$771,062.17; W. E. Bond, \$3,400.00; Burrard Dry Dock Company Limited, \$4,192,772.82; International Shipbuilders Ltd. (formerly Matsumoto Shipyards Limited), \$266,689.98; John Manly Ltd., \$606,630.08; McKenzie Barge & Derrick Co. Ltd., \$1,117,292.59; Osborne Shipyards Ltd., \$12,023.43; Star Shipyards (Mercer's) Ltd., \$1,403,805.30; Victoria Machinery Depot Company Limited, \$12,798,123.68; West Coast Salvage & Contracting Co. Limited, \$49,944.34; Yarrows Ltd., \$6,263,568.39.

2. (a) 32.7 per cent. (b) Allied Shipbuilders Ltd., 33.8%; B.C. Marine Engineers & Shipbuilders Ltd., 27.3%; Bel-Aire Shipyard Ltd., 36.8%; Benson Bros. Shipbuilding Co. (1960) Ltd. (formerly A. C. Benson Shipyard Ltd.), 39.2%; W. E. Bond, 40.0%; Burrard Dry Dock Company Limited, 39.5%; International Shipbuilders Ltd. (formerly Matsumoto Shipyards Limited), 38.8%; John Manly Ltd., 37.6%; McKenzie Barge & Derrick Co. Ltd., 33.1%; Osborne Shipyards Ltd., 40.0%; Star Shipyards (Mercer's) Ltd., 29.9%; Victoria Machinery Depot Company Limited, 36.1%; West Coast Salvage & Contracting Co. Limited, 31.5%; Yarrows Ltd., 31.5%.

BIDS FOR N.R.C. ACCELERATOR BUILDING

Question No. 650—**Mr. Douglas:**

1. Did V. K. Mason Construction Limited of Ottawa submit a bid for the construction of a National Research Council accelerator building, and (a) if so, what was the amount of their bid (b) has this company an agreement with the unions affiliated with the Ottawa Building Trades Council?

2. Did Sirotek Construction Limited of Ottawa submit a bid for the construction of a National Research Council accelerator building, and (a) if so, what was the amount of their bid (b) does Sirotek Construction Limited have an agreement with the unions affiliated with the Ottawa Building Trades Council?

3. Which company's bid was accepted?

4. Is it the policy of the federal government to award contracts, all other things being equal, to companies that are unionized?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): 1. Yes. (a) \$1,547,000. (b) We have no information from the company in this respect, but advice from the Trades Council indicates

that the company has an agreement with unions affiliated with the Ottawa Building Trades Council.

2. Yes. (a) \$1,547,000. (b) No, we have been informed that Sirotek have agreements with other unions.

3. Sirotek Construction Limited.

4. Labour conditions applicable to these contracts are set by the Department of Labour and are included as part of tender documents. Under the system of public bids, therefore, no preference is given to contractors whose employees belong to any specific labour union since all bidders must meet the labour conditions applicable to the contract.

WEST BLOCK ELEVATORS

Question No. 655—**Mr. Martin (Timmins):**

1. On what date were the existing House of Commons West Block elevators installed?

2. Were tenders called for these elevators and, if so, which concerns submitted tenders, what were the amounts bid, and which bid was successful?

3. Was the successful bidder a Canadian firm?

4. Is the firm in question still in business, and if not, when did it cease operation?

5. Did any guarantee accompany installation of the elevators and, if so, what were its terms?

6. What has been the total cost to the government of maintenance and repairs to these elevators since installation?

7. Is any action proposed to improve elevator service in the West Block?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): 1. Installation completed May 21, 1963.

2. Not by the department. At least three elevator companies submitted tenders to the general contractors in accordance with standard practice. The elevators formed a part of the general contract. These were: Beckett Elevator Co. Ltd., Toronto, amount \$183,675, Turnbull Elevator Co. Ltd., Toronto, amount not known, Otis Fenson Elevator Co. Ltd., Hamilton, amount not known. Successful bidder, Beckett Elevator Company Limited.

3. Yes.

4. Yes.

5. Yes. The materials and workmanship of the apparatus installed would be first class in every respect; and that the contractor would make good any defects, not due to ordinary wear and tear or improper use which may develop within one year from date of final acceptance and commencement of operation by the owner.