

Questions

GRADE CROSSINGS—DISBURSEMENTS

Mr. CHURCH:

1. What sum of money was spent on grade separation during the last year of record, (a) main estimates, (b) supplementary estimates, and on what level crossings, by provinces?
2. What work is contemplated for 1940, or has been already allotted?

Mr. HOWE:

1. During 1939: (a) \$24,000.00, (b) \$205,436.53. As follows:

(a) Order 57453, dated May 15, 1939, approved of an overhead crossing over highway No. 17, in lot 12, concession 3, township of Dryden, district of Sudbury, Ontario. Estimated cost \$60,000. Grant 40 per cent from railway grade crossing fund—\$24,000.

(b) Nova Scotia—Order 57804, dated Aug. 3, 1939. Diversion and overhead bridge over C.N.R. on Lake Shore road and overhead bridge at Egerton, N.S. Estimated cost \$50,000. Grant 70 per cent from vote 585, 1939-1940, \$35,000—\$35,000.

Quebec—Order 57220, dated March 31, 1939. Pedestrian subway under C.N.R. at Belzile St., town of Rimouski. Estimated cost \$12,600. Grant 100 per cent from vote 630, 1938-39, \$12,600—\$12,600.

Quebec—Order 57875, dated Aug. 23, 1939. Overhead bridge over C.P.R. in St. Agathe. Estimated cost \$67,100. Grant 40 per cent from vote 585, 1939-1940, \$26,840—\$26,840.

Ontario—Order 57803, dated Aug. 3, 1939. Overhead bridge over C.P.R., on lot 14, concession 4, township of Hagar. Estimated cost \$91,550. Grant 40 per cent from vote 585, 1939-40, \$36,620—\$36,620.

Ontario—Order 57817, dated Aug. 9, 1939. Overhead bridge over T. H. & B. Ry. on Dundern street, Hamilton. Estimated cost \$104,823.62. Grant 70 per cent from vote 585, 1939-40—\$73,376.53.

Alberta—Order 57748, dated July 19, 1939. Highway diversion and subway under C.N.R. on Edmonton-Jasper highway from northwest quarter of section 16, township 53, range 6, W. 5 M, to section 19, township 53, range 6, W. 5 M, a distance of 1.96 miles and to construct subway at mile 61 Wabamun subdivision. Estimated cost \$30,000. Grant 70 per cent from vote 585, 1939-1940, \$21,000—\$21,000. Total, \$205,436.53.

2. One grade separation has been approved in 1940, as follows:

British Columbia—Order 58864, dated March 18, 1940. Subway under C.P.R. at mile 3.42 Shuswap subdivision, three miles west of Revelstoke. Estimated cost \$86,000. Grant 70 per cent from vote 585, 1939-1940—\$60,200.

[Mr. Ralston.]

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

UNITED STATES BACON—USE IN MILITARY CAMPS

Mr. SENN:

1. Has imported American bacon been used for military camps in Canada during the past three months?
2. If so, in what amount?
3. In what proportion to the total amount of bacon used at such military camps?

Mr. CASGRAIN: Return tabled.

KINGSTON, ONT.—GOVERNMENT UTILIZATION OF PRIVATE BUILDINGS

Mr. AYLESWORTH:

1. How many buildings not owned by the government are being used by the Department of National Defence in the city of Kingston?
2. What are the names of the owners of these buildings?
3. What was the cost of conditioning each building?
4. What rent is being paid per month for each building?

Mr. CASGRAIN: Return tabled.

VEGETABLE SHORTENING—USE IN CANADIAN ARMY

Mr. ROSS (St. Paul's):

1. Is vegetable oil shortening being furnished to the Canadian army in place of lard and other animal fats?
2. If so, in what total amount?
3. To what percentage in relation to the amount of lard and other animal fats?
4. By what authority are such requisitions made?

Mr. CASGRAIN: Return tabled.

AEROPLANE ENGINES

DECISION OF MR. FORD WITH RESPECT TO MANUFACTURE FOR BRITISH GOVERNMENT

On the orders of the day:

Hon. R. B. HANSON (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I desire to call the attention of the Prime Minister (Mr. Mackenzie King) and the government to a press dispatch from Washington, under yesterday's date, in which it is indicated that negotiations between the United States government and Mr. Henry Ford for the mass production of aeroplane engines collapsed yesterday.

It has been announced by Mr. Knudsen, of the national defence commission, that Mr. Ford refuses to manufacture engines for Great Britain and has thus forced cancellation of plans for early mass production of Rolls Royce motors by the Ford motor company, and that the national defence advisory commission will seek cooperation in the production of this important military equipment elsewhere.