

## Questions

2. \$176 million including prior expenditures as listed in Part 5.

3. January 24, 1969.

4. Yes. The rails and ties have been declared surplus and have been disposed of through Crown Assets Disposal Corporation to the Canadian National Railway.

5. Expenditure by fiscal years:

Fiscal Year	Amount
1961-62	\$ 9,141
1962-63	49,296
1963-64	499,796
1964-65	1,239,077
1965-66	1,650,101
1966-67	4,317,352
1967-68	4,764,733
1968-69	3,905,052
1969-70 (to November 1969)	299,801
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$16,734,349</b>

Note: The above figures include all payments relating to consultants, land acquisition and construction.

6. A consortium of contractors represented by Northumberland Consultants Limited last summer presented to government officials an outline of the elements of a proposal to construct the crossing on the basis of private financing. Northumberland Consultants Limited was advised that a firm proposal, based on the outline discussed and supported by adequate assurances with regard to private financing, would be considered for presentation to the government. No such firm proposal has resulted.

7. No.

## RAILWAY TRACK RELOCATION GRANTS

Question No. 459—**Mr. Thomas (Moncton)**:

In the last three years, have any grants been made from the Railway Grade Crossing Fund to cities, towns or municipalities for the specific purpose of railway track relocation and, if so, to which cities, towns or municipalities and in what amounts?

**Mr. Gérard Loiseau (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport)**: The Canadian Transport Commission advises as follows: Grants from the Railway Grade Crossing Fund are made to railway applicants for track relocation only when the purpose of the relocation is the elimination of existing level railway-highway crossings. Two such grants were authorized by the Canadian Transport Commission as follows: (1) \$500,000 to the Canadian National Railways, in October, 1967, for relocation of the Sorel Subdivision in the

Towns of St. Bruno-de-Montarville, St. Hubert and Boucherville and the City of Jacques Cartier in the Province of Quebec; (2) to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, in January, 1969, for relocation of the Halifax Subdivision in the Town of Windsor, Province of Nova Scotia.

## CAROLINE POST OFFICE TENDERERS

Question No. 544—**Mr. Thompson (Red Deer)**:

1. How many firms tendered on the construction of the Caroline Post Office?

2. What are the amounts of the tenders and the names of the contractors?

3. What sub-contractors were not paid by the general contractor and what are the amounts?

4. Other than a percentage deposit, what standards had to be met in order to tender on this contract?

5. Does the previous record of a firm have any bearing on acceptance of a tender?

6. If a firm fails to pay its sub-contractors, is its name removed from future lists to tender on contracts?

7. What protection does a sub-contractor receive when the contractor does not pay for the work he completed?

**Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works)**: 1. Five.

2. Contractors are: Dynacon Construction, Calgary, Alberta, \$24,014; Bond & Leitch (Calgary) Ltd., Calgary, Alberta, \$24,780; Jason Construction, Calgary, Alberta, \$24,950; F. Avery Construction (Division of A.N. Holdings Ltd.), Stettler, Alberta, \$26,488; W. R. Sandquiet Construction Ltd., Red Deer, Alberta, \$32,368.

After tenders were called, it was decided to make certain changes in the work. In accordance with departmental policy, the three lowest bidders on the original tender were asked to submit new quotations.

Two of the three low bidders submitted the following tenders: Dynacon Construction, \$22,151; Bond & Leitch (Calgary) Ltd., \$22,450.

3. Sub-contractors claiming unpaid accounts are: Menzies & Herbert Ltd., Red Deer, Alberta, \$968.00; Westview Plumbing & Heating, Rocky Mountain House, Alberta, \$1,880.00; Dunrite Plasterers, Red Deer, Alberta, \$450.00; Spruce View Co-op, Spruce View, Alberta, \$14.40; Heathfield & Hilderman, Spruce View, Alberta, \$493.50; V. R. Nielson, Spruce View, Alberta, \$12.00; Bob Jorgenson, Spruce View, Alberta, \$152.60; Revelstoke Building Materials Limited, Calgary, Alberta, \$1,072.29; H. Kenda Agencies, Red Deer, Alberta, \$209.50;