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4. (a) 1965-66, 1,302; 1966-67, 1,769; 1967-68, 2,005; 1968-69, 1,794. Includes houses built on Indian reserves and established Indian communities. *(b) and (c) 1965-66, Nil; 1966-67, Nil; 1967-68, 96**; 1968-69, 129**.

* No separate record kept of houses built or purchased in cities or rural areas off the reserve.

** Figures include construction of new houses and purchase of existing houses.

CHAMPLAIN BRIDGE—DEBT OUTSTANDING

Question No. 2,597—**Mr. Beaudoin:**

1. How much of the original debt on the Champlain Bridge is still outstanding?
2. What is the cost of servicing the debt?
3. What is the annual amortization?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): The National Harbours Board advises as follows: 1. The original debt on Champlain Bridge as at December 31, 1968, was \$52,176,876.

2. Provision for interest on loans and advances in 1968 was \$2,804,640.

3. Annual amortization, nil.

HEALTH AND WELFARE—CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARD HEMOPHILIA RESEARCH

Question No. 2,602—**Mr. McCleave:**

Does the Department of National Health and Welfare make any contributions or grants toward hemophilia research and, if so, in what amount and to whom?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): The Department of National Health and Welfare does not make contributions or grants toward hemophilia research. However in response to applications in 1968-69, the Medical Research Council made grants totalling \$59,700 in relation to research into the cause and cure of hemophilia.

CANADIAN PENITENTIARY SERVICE—REQUEST TO UNDERTAKE REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Question No. 2,604—**Mrs. MacInnis:**

1. Has Dr. Bruno Cormier of the Forensic Psychiatry Clinic, McGill University requested the Commissioner of the Canadian Penitentiary Service to permit him to undertake a rehabilitation program in one of the federal prisons across Canada?

[Mr. Chrétien.]

2. Was his request refused and, if so, for what reasons?

3. Is his request still under consideration?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General):
1. No.

2. Not applicable.

3. Informal discussions have been held between Dr. Cormier and officials of the Department of the Solicitor General on the subject of Dr. Cormier undertaking a rehabilitation program in one of the federal prisons. These discussions are continuing.

FEASIBILITY STUDY OF ESTABLISHMENT OF WORLD UNIVERSITY

Question No. 2,607—**Mr. Thompson:**

1. Have steps been taken by the government toward undertaking a feasibility study of the idea of establishing a world university?

2. Have there been any proposals made to the Canadian Government for the establishment of such a world university in Canada?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): In so far as the Department of External Affairs is concerned: 1. No. It has been, and remains the view that proposals for the establishment of a world university in Canada, or proposals for a feasibility study of such a project, should be at the initiative of the provincial and municipal authorities concerned rather than with the Federal Government.

2. Yes. These have come from private persons and organizations such as the Canadian World University Committee and the Canadian Home and School and Parent-Teacher Federation.

LEONARD BORG—ELIGIBILITY FOR PAROLE

Question No. 2,642—**Mr. Schumacher:**

Were any instructions given to the National Parole Board concerning the eligibility for parole of Leonard Borg when his death sentence was commuted?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General):
No.

SEAT BELTS IN COMMERCIAL VEHICLES

Question No. 2,644—**Mr. Mather:**

Is consideration being given to promoting federal-provincial action to require the equipping of trucks, truck-tractors and inter-city buses with seat belt assemblies and to make mandatory the use of such equipment?