

Questions

PUBLICATIONS AVAILABLE IN BOTH OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

Question No. 1,659—**Mr. Fortin**:

1. How many of the publications of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics are available (a) in French only (b) in English only (c) in both languages?

2. Of the members of the staff of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics receiving an annual salary of \$17,000 or more (a) how many have French as their mother tongue (b) how many have English as their mother tongue (c) how many are bilingual?

[Translation]

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports: 1. There are 85 DBS publications available in either French or English; 733 DBS publications are available in English only; and 707 DBS publications are available in bilingual form.

2. There are 41 public servants earning \$17,000 and more in the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, 8 of whom are bilingual. The breakdown by mother tongue is: those whose mother tongue is French, 3; those whose mother tongue is English, 29; those whose mother tongue is other than French or English, 9.

[English]

REPORTS TO C.R.T.C. OF POLITICAL BROADCASTS

Question No. 1,667—**Mr. Fortin**:

1. Have all broadcasting stations submitted reports to the Canadian Radio-Television Commission of all political broadcasts during the last federal general election and, if not, what stations have not yet submitted such reports?

2. What conclusions have been reached in respect of the reports submitted pursuant to Section 10 of circular no. 149 dated May 16, 1968?

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Canadian Radio-Television Commission as follows: 1. Yes.

2. The documentation will be used by the Commission when it considers the need for regulations in this area, as it is empowered to do, by section 16, paragraph 1 (b) (iii) and (iv) of the Broadcasting Act.

BANK OF CANADA ASSETS

Question No. 1,673—**Mr. Robinson**:

1. What are the total assets of the Bank of Canada?

2. How much of the deposits of the Bank of Canada are in specie (a) gold (b) silver (c) paper (d) other?

3. Where are these assets deposited and, if in various provinces, how long has it been the policy of the Bank of Canada to deposit these assets in different provinces?

4. What is the value of real assets, i.e., buildings, harbours, wharfs, plants and equipment of the federal government in each province and territory?

[Mr. Benson.]

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): 1, 2 and 3. In accordance with Section 26 of the Bank of Canada Act the information regarding the Bank's assets which is published each Wednesday and each month end is as specified in Schedules B and C to the Act. A copy of each return can be obtained from the Bank of the day following the date of the return, and in accordance with the Act it is also published in the next succeeding issue of the *Canada Gazette*.

4. Information is not now available to provide an accurate answer to this question and the necessary expert staff is not available to undertake the extensive work which would be required to gather the necessary information.

CITIZENSHIP QUALIFICATIONS OF C.B.C. EMPLOYEES

Question No. 1,682—**Mr. Corbin**:

1. Are there full-time or part-time employees of the C.B.C. who are not Canadian citizens?

2. If so (a) how many are employed by the French network (b) how many are employed by the English network (c) in what branches do they work?

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): I am informed by the C.B.C. as follows: 1. Yes.

2. Figures on the citizenship of C.B.C. employees are not available since this information is not kept on a continuing basis.

POLLUTION OF LOWER FRASER RIVER

Question No. 1,740—**Mr. Goode**:

1. Does the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources plan to study pollution conditions on the Lower Fraser River as they relate to (a) the effects of raw sewage on the pollution of the Fraser (b) the upward movement of effluent resulting from incoming tides (c) the effectiveness of primary treatment (d) the percentage of pollution caused by industrial wastes (e) the costs to private industry of eliminating industrial waste from the River?

2. What other research into effects of primary treatment is now being carried out in Canada?

3. Does the federal government now have an anti-pollution pilot project underway in British Columbia and, if so, where?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Acting Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): 1. Water pollution control and abatement is primarily a provincial responsibility. The federal government is directly involved where pollution affects international waters, transport, fisheries or wildlife; and it also undertakes and coordinates essential water quality and pollution abatement research. The Canada Centre