

Questions

informed by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion and the Dominion Bureau of Statistics as follows: 1 and 2. This information was contained in the monthly report, tabled in Parliament on the operation of the Regional Development Act.

3. The directors and executive officers of Stanfield's Ltd. as of December 31, 1968 were: F. Thomas Stanfield, Truro, Nova Scotia; Charles E. Stanfield, Truro, Nova Scotia; L. O. Clarke, Truro, Nova Scotia; A. L. Ormistan, Truro, Nova Scotia; W. T. White, Halifax, Nova Scotia; A. G. Archibald, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

4. Non-residents have a 0.7 per cent interest in the voting shares of the company either directly or through other holdings.

5. No one non-resident corporation owns in excess of 10 per cent of the voting shares. The information is therefore not required of the corporation and is unavailable.

AWARD OF MERIT, POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT

Question No. 1,452—**Mr. MacDonald (Egmont):**

With reference to the Merit Awards mentioned in answer to Question Number 993 and received by Messrs. F. Mills, J. Frey, E. Parama and P. Hutchison, in each of these instances, what was the contribution or significant and imaginative proposal advanced by each of these individuals qualifying them for the award that they subsequently received and what was the amount of the award in each case?

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General and Minister of Communications): Mr. Mills recommended a way of reducing the work load of the Records Management Section of Headquarters. He received an award of \$500. Mr. Frey invented a more secure and versatile lock for street letter boxes. He received an award of \$1,500. Mr. Parama introduced the concept of preventative maintenance and critical path planning to the maintenance of equipment at the Edmonton Post Office. He received an award of \$1,000. It was largely through Mr. Hitchison's efforts that the number of injuries to Departmental employees at the Toronto Post Office was reduced when staff was increased. His application of energy and sense of purpose resulted in improved morale and increased participation. He received an award of \$750.

PERSONNEL OF COMMISSION OF INQUIRY
ON MERCHANT MARINEQuestion No. 1,488—**Mr. Dumont:**

What are the names of the members of the Commission of Inquiry on the Merchant Marine?

[Mr. Forest.]

Mr. Gérard Loiseau (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): The Canadian Transport Commission advises as follows: There is no Commission of Enquiry on the Merchant Marine. However, as announced to the House on June 3rd, 1969 (*Hansard*, page 9380), a study on the feasibility of establishing a Canadian Merchant Marine is presently being conducted by the Canadian Transport Commission.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT—FUTURE
DEVELOPMENTQuestion No. 1,490—**Mr. Godin:**

1. Since 1967, how many study groups have been working in connection with the future development of the Post Office Department?

2. What was the cost of each group?

3. During the same period of time, how many post offices were closed (a) throughout the country (b) in each province?

4. Is the government planning to close other post offices before the end of 1970?

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General and Minister of Communications): 1. Twenty-seven.

2.	\$
J. D. Woods & Gordon Ltd.	2,500
J. B. Pollard & Associates	6,040
D. G. Farmar Management Consultants	4,617
P. S. Ross & Partners	9,400
P. S. Ross & Partners	9,566
Simpson, Riddell, Stead and Partners	1,600
P. S. Ross & Partners	3,754
D. G. Farmar Management Consultants	4,808
Read Voorhees and Associates Ltd.	5,000
Kates, Peat, Marwick & Co.	} 258,627
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Dr. Stanley J. Shapiro	43,938
Hickling-Johnston Ltd.	81,765
Samson, Belair, Riddell, Stead Inc.	101,480
Kates, Peat, Marwick & Co.	25,000
Price Waterhouse Associates	24,000
Price Waterhouse Associates	50,498
Price Waterhouse Associates	35,051
D.C.F. Systems Ltd.	23,096
Samson, Belair, Riddell, Stead Inc.	63,432
Dept. of Supply and Services	15,754
Dept. of Supply and Services	11,261
Unica Research	27,011