

Questions

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS—HALIFAX HOTEL

Mr. QUINN (Halifax):

1. Were tenders called for the building of the Canadian National station and hotel at Halifax, Nova Scotia?

2. If so, who were the tenderers and what were the respective amounts of each tender?

3. What firm was awarded the contract?

4. Were sub-tenders called for plumbing, electric wiring, ventilation, sheet metal work, roofing and cut granite?

5. If so, what firms tendered and what were the respective amounts of tenders?

6. What were the names of the firms awarded the contracts?

Mr. DUNNING:

1. Yes.

2. Tenderers, as follows: Anglin-Norcross Limited, Montreal; E. G. M. Cape & Company, Montreal; Foundation Maritime Limited, Halifax, N.S.; G. A. Fuller Company of Canada Limited, Montreal; Robertson & Janin Building Co. Ltd., Montreal; The James Shearer Co. Limited, Montreal; Dakin Construction Co. Limited, Montreal.

The management do not consider it to be in the interests of the Canadian National Railways, nor in the public interest, to publish the amounts of these tenders. They state that the work was given to the lowest tenderer in each case, which is the policy of the railway in that regard.

3. Foundation Maritime Limited. (This firm was the lowest tenderer).

4. Yes.

5. (a) Plumbing, heating and ventilation: The Garth Company, Montreal; John Colford Limited, Montreal; L. E. Moulton & Co. Limited, Montreal; Hagen & Powers, Halifax and St. John, N.B.; Farquhar Bros. Limited, Halifax, N.S.; Thos. O'Connell, Montreal; James Ballantyne, Montreal.

(b) Electric wiring: Canadian Taverne Company Ltd., Montreal; Canadian Comstock Company Ltd., Montreal.

(c) Sheet metal work roofing and cut granite included in bulk tender of Foundation Maritime Limited.

6. (a) The Garth Company (who was the lowest tenderer).

(b) Canadian Taverne Company Limited (who was the lowest tenderer).

The same explanation as given in note in answer No. 2 applies as to these prices also.

LONG TERM FARM LOAN ACT

Mr. SPENCER:

1. What provinces of the Dominion have expressed their intention to make use of the Long Term Farm Loan Act?

2. Is the staff of the Federal Farm Loan Board as yet organized?

3. In view of the great need of the early administration of this act, when will the Federal Farm Loan Board begin to make loans?

Mr. ROBB:

1. Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Quebec.

2. Headquarters staff in Ottawa is organized and rapid progress is being made in four of the provinces.

3. Forthwith, on the provinces having complied with requirements of the act.

IMPORTS OF HIDES

Mr. ANDERSON (Halton):

1. What was the quantity, rate of duty and amount of duty collected on hides imported into Canada during the calendar year 1928?

2. What was the value of leather and manufactures of leather imported into Canada during the calendar year 1928; also percentage of duty levied and total amount of duty collected on same?

Mr. EULER: