November 13, 1967

POST OFFICE EXTENSION, AMHERST, N.S.

Question No. 602-Mr. Coates:

1. Were properties purchased by the federal government to allow for an extension to the federal building in Amherst, Nova Scotia, that houses the post office and, if so, from whom was this property purchased and what was the cost of the property in question?

2. On what date does the government intend to carry out an extension to the federal building that houses the post office in Amherst, Nova Scotia?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): 1. Yes, from A. A. Leslie for \$16,773.

2. It is not possible to give a date at the present time.

FEDERAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION, PARRSBORO, N.S.

Question No. 603-Mr. Coates:

1. Is it the intention of the government to construct a new federal building that will house the post office at Parrsboro, Nova Scotia, and, if so, when does the government intend to carry out construction of this new federal building?

2. Has a site been selected for this federal building and, if so, what is the site, from whom was it purchased, and what was the amount of the purchase?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): 1 and 2. See reply to question No. 250 as it appears in *Hansard* of June 26, 1967 on page 1924.

HARBOUR DREDGING, PORT GREVILLE, N.S.

Question No. 604-Mr. Coates:

Is it the intention of the government to carry out dredging of the harbour at Port Greville, Nova Scotia, and, if so, when will this dredging operation be under way?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): There are no plans at present to dredge Port Greville harbour.

HARBOUR DREDGING, PUGWASH, N.S.

Question No. 605-Mr. Coates:

1. Will further dredging of Pugwash harbour be carried out in 1968?

2. What was the cost of dredging undertaken at Pugwash in 1967 and what is the anticipated further expenditure for 1968?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): 1. No dredging is anticipated in 1968.

2. The cost of dredging in 1967 is not yet known because final quantities have not been calculated. The contract award was in the amount of \$89,200.

Orders for Returns EXTENSION OF DEFERMENTS UNDER LABOUR CODE

Question No. 610-Mr. Johnston:

1. Have applications been made to extend the deferments ending December 31, 1967, under part I of the federal labour code, dealing with hours of work and granted to the shipping and air transport companies?

2. Is it the intention of the government to extend these deferments?

3. Has any decision been made to fix termination dates for the deferments previously granted to the C.P.R. and all Canadian railways?

Mr. B. S. Mackasey (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Labour): 1. No.

2. See above.

3. Discussions are currently being held with unions and managements regarding the termination of the existing Gazette deferments of hours of work on Canadian railways.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

AUDITORS FOR CROWN CORPORATIONS

Question No. 414-Mr. Caouette:

1. For each of the years 1964, 1965, and 1966, who audited the financial statements of the C.N.R., the Bank of Canada, the Industrial Development Bank, C.M.H.C., and the Canadian Wheat Board?

2. What was paid to such auditors for each of these years?

3. Does the government intend to carry out the recommendations of the public accounts committee that the auditor general of Canada act as auditor for all government companies and, if not, for what reason?

Return tabled.

CONSULTATIONS RESPECTING TRANSPORTA-TION IN NORTH

Question No. 450-Mr. Nielsen:

Since October, 1963, has the government of Canada or any official or employee of the government had any consultations with either the government of the province of British Columbia, or with the government of the United States of America, or with the government of the state of Alaska, or with any official or employee of the said governments with respect to (a) the maintenance or paving of the Alaska highway (b) the maintenance or paving of the Haines cut-off road (c) the construction of a road from Carcross in the Yukon to Skagway in the state of Alaska (d) the acquisition by Canada of a corridor or corridors from the Yukon through the tidewater on the Alaskan panhandle (e) the acquisition by Canada of a "free" port or ports of the Alaskan panhandle?

Return tabled.