

Question

ANSWER TO QUESTION

The following answer, deposited with the Clerk of the house, is printed in the official report of debates pursuant to standing order 39:

MAIL CONTRACT, CAPE BRETON ISLAND

Question No. 575—Mr. Nowlan:

1. When was the last contract awarded for the carrying of mail from North Ingonish to Little Bras d'Or, Cape Breton island?

2. To whom was the contract awarded and what is the amount thereof?

3. Were tenders called for the said contract?

4. If so, what were the names of the tenderers, and the amount of each tender?

Answer by: Hon. Hugues Lapointe (Postmaster General):

1. Contract authorized 16th May, 1956, to become effective 1st July, 1956.

2. Duncan Daniel MacKenzie, \$6,600.00 per annum.

3. Yes.

4. Duncan Daniel MacKenzie, Bras d'Or, \$6,600; Malcolm Angus Smith, Bras d'Or, \$6,960; John McNeil, Bras d'Or, \$7,000; Donnie Buchanan MacDonald, Cape North Victoria, \$7,700; Norman Gordon Morrison, Big Bras d'Or, \$7,890; Dan John MacDonald, South Harbour, Victoria, \$8,000; Horace Rindress MacKenzie, R.R. No. 1, Bras d'Or, \$8,324; Robert Rogers Robinson, Big Bras d'Or, \$8,600; John Montgomery, Jersey Cove, \$8,800; William Alexander MacKenzie, R.R. No. 1, Bras d'Or, \$10,000; Canadian National Transportation Ltd., \$10,045; Everett Alexander Crowdis, R.R. No. 1, Bras d'Or, \$10,200; James Randolph Brown, P.O. Box 338, Sydney Mines, \$10,955.

[The following items were passed in committee of supply]:

DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL REVENUE

Canadian Broadcasting Corporation—

54. To provide for the requirements of the sound broadcasting service (to amount formerly authorized by chap. 32, R.S.), \$6,250,000.

International shortwave broadcasting service—

55. Maintenance and operation including authority to credit to the appropriation revenue from the rental of facilities in Radio-Canada building and at Sackville, N.B., to an amount of \$315,000 and to re-expend these moneys for the purposes of the international service, \$1,688,925.

56. Construction or acquisition of buildings, works, land and equipment, including supervision, \$228,900.

605. Grant towards the anticipated deficit arising in 1956-57 from the operation of the television service, \$12,000,000.

International shortwave broadcasting service—

606. Maintenance and operation—further amount required, \$42,000.

607. Construction or acquisition of buildings, works, land and equipment, including supervision—further amount required, \$54,151.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

53. Salaries and expenses of office, \$682,450.

117. Comptroller of the treasury—Central office and branch offices administration, \$15,270,774.

Administration of various acts and costs of special functions—

118. Superannuation and retirement acts, administration, \$516,463.

119. The Bank Act—Salaries and expenses of the inspector general of banks' office, \$31,980.

120. Administration of the Farm Improvement Loans Act, the Veterans' Business and Professional Loans Act, the Fisheries Improvement Loans Act, and the prairie grain producers' interim financing program, \$90,083.

Tariff board—

121. Administration, \$91,015.

Expenses of the Royal Canadian Mint—

122. Administration, operation and maintenance, \$931,321.

123. Construction or acquisition of equipment, \$181,710.

124. Grants to municipalities in lieu of taxes on federal property—To provide for payments to municipalities in accordance with the Municipal Grants Act, and the rural municipal grants regulations established by order in council of October 28, 1954, P.C. 1954-1621, and to provide for payments to municipalities under order in council of October 6, 1954, P.C. 1954-1497, in respect of the cost of medical and hospital services and supplies furnished to federal employees and other persons specified therein, \$7,065,500.

Contingencies and miscellaneous—

125. To provide, subject to the approval of the treasury board, for miscellaneous minor and unforeseen expenses including authority to re-use any sums repaid to this appropriation from other appropriations, and special compensation or other rewards for inventions or practical suggestions for improvements, \$1,500,000.

126. Cost of telephone service at Ottawa for all departments, \$1,121,000.

127. Amount required to cover losses incurred on foreign exchange tendered in payment of accounts receivable, \$500.

Special—

128. To provide for the expenses of the royal commission on Canada's economic prospects, \$225,500.

129. To provide for the expenses of the royal commission on television and radio broadcasting, including the payment, notwithstanding the Civil Service Act, of honoraria or allowances as may be authorized by the treasury board to officers, clerks or employees permanently employed in the civil service for services rendered by them to the commission, \$150,000.

General items of payroll costs including superannuation payments—

130. To provide, subject to the approval of the treasury board, for supplementing other votes for the payment of salaries, wages and other payroll charges, \$750,000.

131. To provide for the government's contribution, as an employer, to the unemployment insurance fund in respect of government employees paid through the central pay office, \$1,080,000.