

average revenue per ton mile on the Atlantic region.

4 and 5. The allocation to D.O.T. varies month by month with increases or decreases in volume and general rate adjustments made from year to year affect average revenues.

ALBANY AND SEVERN RIVER PROJECTS

Question No. 2,328—Mr. Aiken:

Has the federal government under construction or study, any projects on the Albany and Severn Rivers, North of Geraldton, Ontario and, if so, for what projects and for what purpose?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): No.

ELECTRONIC EAVESDROPPING

Question No. 2,352—Mr. Yewchuk:

Will the government give a definite statement of its intention to regulate the use of electronic eavesdropping equipment in Canada?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): The matter of electronic eavesdropping is currently being studied by the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs. I understand that the Committee hopes to table its report soon after Parliament reconvenes this fall. I wish to have the benefit of that report before deciding what legislative recommendations to make to my colleagues in Cabinet.

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT INFORMATION SERVICE

Question No. 2,435—Mr. Robinson:

1. Does the Department of the Postmaster General provide an information service and, if so, what was the cost for each of the years 1960-68 inclusive?

2. How many publications and/or periodicals and/or information sheets and/or public releases were provided by the Department for each of the years 1960-68 inclusive, and what was the cost for each publication for each of the years 1960-68 inclusive?

3. How many copies of each publication are provided and to whom are they distributed and how is the distribution effected?

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General and Minister of Communications): In so far as the Post Office Department is concerned: 1. Yes, combined with a public relations program. (a) Costs as follows: 1960-61, \$262,258; 1961-62, \$312,738; 1962-63, \$300,623; 1963-64, \$270,943; 1964-65, \$377,416; 1965-66, \$416,060; 1966-67, \$515,387; 1967-68, \$583,585; 1968-69, \$764,594.

Note: These figures are the expenditures identifiable with the Post Office Information

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and Public Relations program. They include cost of advertising, printing, distribution and, in the case of the years 1964-65 and on, the cost of headquarters salaries.

Salary costs for field personnel are not included as the information cannot be extracted from expenditure records without substantial delay and excessive cost.

Salaries and travel costs for headquarters personnel prior to 1964-65 are not included, since they were not segregated in a separate allotment prior to that year.

| | Postmark 10 issues per year | Weekly bulletin 52 issues per year |
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| | \$ | \$ |
| 1960-61 | 25,280 | 12,152 |
| 1961-62 | 22,033 | 7,352 |
| 1962-63 | 29,660 | 9,641 |
| 1963-64 | 30,637 | 9,581 |
| 1964-65 | 29,170 | 9,182 |
| 1965-66 | 30,985 | 10,656 |
| 1966-67 | 38,832 | 10,794 |
| 1967-68 | 38,328 | 12,090 |
| 1968-69 | 49,915 | 10,962 |

Information booklets, rate sheets (indicating revised postal rates), and news releases are printed and distributed when required.

3. Postmark sent to each employee, total number, 32,350 English; 10,715 French. Weekly bulletin distributed to each Postmaster and Supervisors requiring the information, 18,500. News Releases, distribution governed by the subject material, e.g. all media, dailies only, radio only, weeklies only, philatelists, etc. Rate sheets to each Postmaster and Postage Stamp depots. Distribution of the above is made by mail.

Note: Publication of the Postmark was discontinued with effect from April 1, 1969.

EXCHEQUER COURT—CHANGE IN NAME AND JURISDICTION

Question No. 2,450—Mr. Fortin:

1. Does the government intend to change the name of the Exchequer Court of Canada to the "Federal Superior Court"?

2. Is the government studying the possibility of transforming the Immigration Appeal Board into a Division of such Court?

3. Is the government studying or will it study the possibility of transforming the Tax Appeal Board into a fiscal Division of such Court?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): 1, 2 and 3. Government policy relating to improvements in the federal administration of justice has not as yet been finally settled.