

However, I can inform the right hon. member that in the six month period January 1 to June 30, 1966, exports of flour to Russia amounted to 234,583 hundredweight (value \$1,052,000) and to Cuba 2,756,312 hundredweight (value \$14,676,000). No flour was exported to China during this period.

***PENSIONS OF RETIRED ARMED FORCES PERSONNEL IN PUBLIC SERVICE**

Question No. 1863—Mr. Bell (Carleton):

1. Has any action been taken by the government to promulgate regulations as authorized by the Statute Law (Superannuation) Amendment Act 1966, relating to the pensions of retired armed forces personnel subsequently employed in the public service?

2. If not, when is it anticipated such action will be taken?

Hon. Léo Cadieux (Associate Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, the answer to this question is yes, the regulations to which the hon. member refers were made by order in council P.C. 1966-1586 dated August 24, 1966 and were effective the 1st day of September, 1966. The regulations will be published in part II of the Canada Gazette, on September 14, 1966.

FEDERAL BUILDING SITE, AMHERST, N.S.

Question No. 1,879—Mr. Coates:

1. Has the government secured a site for the new federal building at Amherst, Nova Scotia?

2. Has an architect been appointed to produce the plans and, if so, on what date?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): 1. Yes.

2. An architect was appointed on December 13, 1965 to produce the plans.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

BUTTER IMPORTS

Question No. 1,660—Mr. Laprise:

1. Has Canada imported any butter since 1960 and, if so (a) how many pounds each year (b) what quantity from each country each year (c) what was the average price each year (d) was any of this butter intended for domestic consumption and, if so, how much each year?

2. If any of this butter was intended for processing for re-export (a) how much each year (b) what factories processed it (c) how much did each factory process each year (d) how much did this processing cost the government each year (e) in what form, to what countries and at what price was this butter sold each year?

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3. In 1966 and subsequent years, does the government intend to import butter and, if so, how does the government intend to dispose of it?

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EMPLOYEES IN PUBLIC SERVICE

Question No. 1,750—Mr. Irvine:

What was the total number of employees in each department and/or agency, as listed in schedules A, B, C and D of the Financial Administration Act R.S.C. 1952 chapter 116 as amended, on March 31 of each of the years 1950 to 1966, inclusive?

Return tabled.

DAMAGE CLAIMS, TRANS-CANADA HIGHWAY, N.B.

Question No. 1,800—Mr. Flemming:

1. Regarding the answer to question No. 1649, have any claims been presented which contained expenses of moving buildings in the area mentioned in the question named above, which called for 90 per cent contribution by the federal government?

2. If so, have they been paid either in full or partially?

3. What are the names of the parties on whose behalf claims were made and the amounts claimed for each of them?

4. Have any claims for moving buildings been disallowed or are any presently unpaid?

5. If so, what are the names of the parties on whose behalf claims have been made?

● (2:40 p.m.)

NATIONAL DEFENCE

UNIFICATION OF ARMED FORCES—MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT UNDER STANDING ORDER 26

Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Halifax): Mr. Speaker, I ask leave to move the adjournment of the house in accordance with standing order No. 26 in order to discuss a matter of urgent public importance, namely, that the Minister of National Defence is pursuing an improper course without statutory or parliamentary authority in dictatorially proceeding with and, as he himself stated, in accelerating the unification of the armed forces despite strong objections; that there is grave danger that his illegal actions will be irrevocably completed before parliament under its ordinary rules has the opportunity to debate the matter and before fulfillment of the minister's assurances that ample opportunity would be afforded service personnel to air their objections; that he interfered with the deliberations of the defence committee by tampering with the evidence which Admiral Landymore intended to present to the committee, thus being in contempt of parliament; and that by all these