Questions

ALBERTA-APPOINTMENT OF REGIONAL DIRECTOR

Question No. 1,188-Mr. Yewchuk:

1. Has the Regional Director of Indian Affairs in Alberta been appointed and, if so, were the Indians consulted prior to the appointment?

2. Who were the members on the Public Service Commission selection board for this position?

3. What are the duties of each of the members and their respective salaries?

[Translation]

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Public Service Commission as follows: 1. Yes. Yes.

2. Mr. A. E. Wisking, Mr. J. B. Bergevin, Mr. I. Harlock, and Mr. H. Cardinal.

3. Mr. Wisking is an officer of the Executive Staffing Program of the Public Service Commission. His salary is in the range of \$15,000 to \$17,600. Mr. Bergevin is Assistant Deputy Minister, Indian and Eskimo Affairs, Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. His salary is in the range of \$24,000 to \$30,000. Mr. Harlock is Personnel Adviser, Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. His salary is in the range of \$20,000 to \$25,000. Mr. Cardinal is President of the Indian Association of Alberta. His salary is not known to the Public Service Commission.

[English]

CBC—APPEARANCES OF PAULINE JULIEN SINCE OCTOBER 24, 1970

Question No. 1,211-Mr. Comtois:

Has Miss Pauline Julien been on any CBC program (either television or radio) since October 24, 1970 and, if so (a) how many times (b) on what programs (c) on what dates?

[Translation]

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation that since October 24, 1970, Miss Pauline Julien has appeared once on each of the following program series: "A la seconde" (December 14), "Les 2D" (January 5), "Zoom" (February 7) "Weekend" (October 25) and "Tuesday Night" (January 5).

[English]

CANADA CENTRE FOR INLAND WATERS

Question No. 1,213-Mr. Sullivan:

 $1. \ {\rm What}$ is the estimated cost of the plans for the Canadian Centre for Inland Waters?

2. How many persons are employed at the Centre and what is the breakdown of their classification of employment?

3. What is the proposed date of completion of the Centre?

Mr. Eymard Corbin (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Fisheries and Forestry): 1. The estimated total construction cost is \$23,550,000.

2. Research Managers, 6; Research Scientists, 22; Physical Scientists, 4; Chemists, 4; Engineers, 11; Scientific Officers, 9; Ships Officers, 6; Computer System Analysts, 4; Administrative, Clerical and Stenographic Support, 39; Engineering and Scientific Support, 123; Librarian, 1; Drafting and Illustration, 3; General Labour, 12. Total 244.

3. October 1, 1972.

[Mr. Jerome.]

TURBO TRAINS

Question No. 1,215-Mr. Sullivan:

1. How many Turbo trains for the Toronto-Montreal run were built (a) by whom (b) what was the total purchase price (c) how many are now in operation (d) where are the remainder? 2. How much has been spent to March 21, 1971 on repairs and modification of design?

3. Is the said cost of repairs and modifications increasing the practicality of a profitable operation?

Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): The management of Canadian National Railways advises as follows: 1. (a) Five Turbo trainsets were constructed by United Aircraft of Canada Limited and are owned by that company. (b) Canadian National did not purchase Turbo trains. (c) and (d) None, as a result of an accumulation of operating problems the reliability of service declined to a point where schedules had to be changed and ultimately to the withdrawal of all units from service. The trains are located at the Montreal maintenance facility in Central Station.

2. and 3. The maintenance and modification of the trains were carried out during revenue service pursuant to an agreement between United Aircraft of Canada Limited and Canadian National and as elements with respect to the future of the trains are now in the course of discussion, it is not considered in the best interests of Canadian National to disclose this information at this time.

CBC—ALLOCATION OF TIME FOR PROVINCIAL CONVENTIONS

Question No. 1,219-Mr. Caouette:

1. How much time did CBC allocate to the provincial conventions of (a) the Parti Québécois in February 1971 (b) the Ralliement créditiste—Quebec in March 1971, on both national networks (radio and television)?

2. In each case (a) what was the dollar value of the time offered free of charge as compared to the rates for such airtime (b) how many technicians did CBC use to produce these programs (c) what was the cost (i) of salaries (ii) of equipment (iii) for transfer expenses, for these programs?

[Translation]

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation as follows: 1. The Parti Québécois convention was a leadership contest and as such it was given more coverage than the Ralliement créditiste meetings. Actual convention coverage, excluding various interviews and other items in the framework of regular news and public affairs programs was as follows: Parti Québécois: French Radio network: 3 hours 50 minutes; French TV network: 1 hour 15 minutes; English Radio and TV networks: No live broadcasting from the convention.

Ralliement créditiste: French Radio network: 40 minutes; French TV network: Nil; English Radio and TV networks: No live broadcasting from the convention.

2. (a) The CBC does not sell time for broadcasting coverage of political conventions and does not place a monetary value on such coverage. It would therefore be unrealistic to attempt comparisons on the basis of commercial rates for such air time and difficult to arrive at meaningful figures. (b) 27 television and 3 radio techni-