

SOREL, QUE., MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

Question No. 1,220—**Mr. Caouette:**

1. Has the Department of Transport been informed of the proposed construction of a regional or municipal airport at Sorel?
2. If so, has the Department of Transport lent its support to the project?
3. Has the Department of Transport decided to allocate funds to facilitate the carrying-out of such a project?
4. If so, what sum has been allocated?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport):

1. Yes.
2. Yes.
3. Yes.
4. \$213,000.

RACE TRACK WAGERING

Question No. 1,239—**Mr. Coates:**

1. What was the total amount of monies wagered at race tracks in Canada for both thoroughbred and harness horses events for the year 1968?
2. What was the total revenue secured by the federal government from this pari-mutuel wagering in 1968?
3. What was the total cost of the federal Treasury for services rendered in providing the various protections to the public that are associated with horse racing in Canada in 1968?
4. Does the federal government provide encouragement to the improvement of breeding in either the field of thoroughbred racing or harness racing and, if so, what type of encouragement is provided and what is the total cost to the federal Treasury, and if not, for what reason?

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture):

1. The total amount wagered at race tracks under the supervision of the Canada Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year 1967-68 was \$369,473,079.
2. The total revenue collected by the federal government from pari-mutuel wagering for the fiscal year 1967-68 was \$1,877,091.
3. The total cost of the federal Treasury for services rendered in providing the various protections to the public that are associated with horse racing in Canada during the fiscal year 1967-68 was \$1,557,856.
4. Indirect encouragement is provided through the stability and confidence that accrues to the industry because of the supervision of pari-mutuel betting.

Questions

QUEBEC NATIONAL PARKS

Question No. 1,258—**Mr. Beaudoin:**

1. How many national parks are located in the Province of Quebec?
2. Where is each located?
3. What is the total area of each?
4. What are the plans for establishing other parks and at what locations in the Province of Quebec?
5. Is the federal constituency of Richmond involved in such plans for national parks and, if so, how is it involved?

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): 1. None.

2. N/A.

3. N/A.

4. The department is currently negotiating with the Province of Quebec with a view to establishing a National Park on the Forillon Peninsula near Gaspé.

5. No.

STORAGE CHARGES ON WHEAT CARRY-OVER

Question No. 1,285—**Mr. Douglas:**

For the crop year 1967-68, what was the cost to the federal government of paying storage charges on the above-normal carry-over of wheat?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): In so far as the Department of Trade and Commerce is concerned: The payment of carrying costs for the temporary wheat reserves for the crop year 1967-68 was \$37,004,162.71.

INTERPROVINCIAL TRUCKING SAFETY—
JACKKNIFINGQuestion No. 1,302—**Mr. Mather:**

What safety standards are being enforced inter-provincially concerning combination vehicles consisting of truck tractors or trucks coupled with trailers, particularly re-improving the control of such vehicles and especially to reduce "jackknifing" as a cause of crashes?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport):

The highway traffic acts of each province provide safety regulations for trucks and tractor-trailer combinations including braking requirements designed to reduce the possibility of "jackknifing". At present these regulations are enforced by the provinces on vehicles operating interprovincially.