

DISPOSAL OF FERRY "PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND"

Question No. 933—**Mr. Macquarrie:**

1. How many tenders were received for the purchase of the ferry, *Prince Edward Island* and, what was the amount of each?

2. For what reason was this disposal handled by the CNR rather than Crown Assets Disposal Corporation?

3. What was the cost of removing and transporting the wheel house and other parts for location at the National Museum of Science and Technology at Borden, P.E.I.?

4. (a) Was any study made of the feasibility of beaching the ship at Borden for conversion to a museum and/or restaurant (b) what was the estimated cost of such a project?

5. Did the Government of Prince Edward Island make any offer for the ferry, *Prince Edward Island* and, if so, in what amount?

**Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** I am informed by the Department of Transport and the National Museums of Canada as follows: 1. Eight bids were received ranging from \$400 to \$20,000.

2. The ferry vessels are operated by Canadian National Railways on behalf of the Government and disposal of the vessels by CNR is an extension of this role.

3. Cost \$314.34 for transportation of wheel house and other parts by CNR from Borden, P.E.I., to Ottawa.

4. No, not by Department of Transport. Negotiations were carried out between the two levels of Government with a view to the Province of Prince Edward Island acquiring the vessel. Subsequently, the Province indicated that it did not want to acquire the vessel.

5. No.

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TRANSPORT—PROJECTS PLANNED FOR CAPE BRETON-THE SYDNEYS

Question No. 1,293—**Mr. Muir (Cape Breton-The Sydneys):**

What projects are planned by the Department of Transport in the coming year in the constituency of Cape Breton-The Sydneys and what is the estimated cost of each project?

**Mr. Gérard Loiselle (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport):** Sydney-South Bar, replacement of light tower and semi-automation, \$40,700. Scatari light station, replacement of fog alarm building, \$20,000. Louisburg light station, semi-automation, \$14,000. Low Point light station, semi-automation, \$16,600. Glace Bay light station, semi-automation, \$7,000. Point Aconi light station, semi-automation, \$6,700. Black Rock Point light station, semi-automation, \$5,300. Wreck removal Point Edward, \$70,000. Construction of passenger walkway between terminal and vessels at North Sydney, \$150,000. Installation of 250 feet of chain link fencing at North Sydney terminal, \$3,900.

VETERANS AFFAIRS—ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANTS

Question No. 1,494—**Mr. Robinson:**

How many consultants have been engaged by the Department of Veterans Affairs during each year 1950 to 1970 inclusive (a) what was the cost of the consultants (b) how were the consultants utilized (c) for what reasons were the consultants necessary?

**Mr. Jean-Eudes Dubé (Minister of Veterans Affairs):**

	(a)	(b)	(c)
1950 to 1953	No records available		
1954	1 \$ 514.03	Professional advisor in planning subdivision for the construction of houses.	Qualified staff was not available.
1956	1 100.00	"	"
1959	2 6,138.90	"	"
1960	1 2,311.25	"	"
1963	1 78,972.00	Survey of Financial Management.	Outside impartial viewpoint of Department's financial practices and assistance in the implementation of the Glasco Commission Report.
1966	1 14,400.00	Assisting the Department in the planning and promotion of a National Remembrance Ceremony.	Lack of Departmental resources in the publicity and promotion field needed to provide mass coverage.