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Defence Research Establishment Suffield and Defence Chemical, Biological and Radiation Establishment Shirley's Bay, the release of reports is determined largely by the extent of mutual interest and the limits imposed by international agreements concerning the inclusion of another country's data in Canadian reports. The approximate percentages are (a) and (b), 98 per cent; (c) 52 per cent; and (d) and (e) 75 per cent.

*TRAINING OF NIGERIANS AS OFFICER CADETS

Question No. 532—**Mr. MacLean:**

1. Do the Canadian Forces currently train Nigerians as Officer Cadets and, if so, what are the terms of reference of this training?

2. How many Nigerians were trained as Officer Cadets in Canada in 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967 and 1968?

Hon. Léo Cadieux (Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, the answer is in two parts, as follows: 1. No officer cadet training for Nigerians has been conducted since April 1965.

2. Of the 41 officer cadets who came to Canada in 1962 and 1963, 34 completed their courses and graduated.

ILLNESSES AT DEFENCE RESEARCH STATIONS

Question No. 541—**Mr. Saltsman:**

1. In the last three years, has anybody working at the DCBRL at Shirley's Bay or at the Suffield Experimental Station become ill or injured as a result of contact with the agents being developed or tested there and has anybody died from these injuries or illnesses?

2. What agents were involved?

Mr. D. W. Groos (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): 1. No.

2. Not applicable.

U.S. REPORTS RECEIVED BY DEFENCE RESEARCH BOARD

Question No. 543—**Mr. Saltsman:**

What percentage of the reports prepared by the United States biological warfare researchers at Fort Detrick in the year 1967 were received by the Defence Research Board and what percentage of the classified reports does this constitute?

Mr. D. W. Groos (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): The number of reports prepared by the United States biological warfare researchers at Fort Detrick in the year 1967 is not known.

[Mr. Groos.]

TAX ADVANTAGES OF PRIVATELY OWNED COMPANIES

Question No. 546—**Mr. Saltsman:**

Do any privately-owned companies in Canada enjoy a tax advantage similar to that of the Newfoundland Refining Co. and, if so (a) what companies (b) where do they operate (c) who are the major shareholders (d) what is the nature of each such arrangement?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Côté (Minister of National Revenue): No.

*BENEFIT TO MILK PRODUCERS THROUGH BUTTER PRICE INCREASE

Question No. 558—**Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse):**

Has the Minister of Agriculture or the Canadian Dairy Commission taken any steps to ensure that industrial milk producers will receive the full benefit of the recent increase of two cents per pound in the retail price of butter and, if not, who will benefit by this increase?

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, the answer to the question is as follows. The federal government does not have authority to fix prices to producers within a province. This authority rests with the provinces.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

PROPOSED REFITS OF GOVERNMENT SHIPS

Question No. 17—**Mr. Crouse:**

1. What are the names of all government ships due for refit in all government departments from September 1, 1968 to March 31, 1969?

2. What is the estimated amount to be spent on these ships during this period?

3. Will competitive bids be called for this work, or will the ships be regionally allocated to relieve unemployment in depressed areas?

Return tabled.

CRIMES INVOLVING DEATH

Question No. 400—**Mr. Coates:**

1. Of the total number of crimes committed in each of the years from 1960-67, inclusive, how many involved the death of one or more persons?

2. What is the breakdown of crimes committed that resulted in the death of one or more individuals, by provinces, and how many of these crimes have resulted in the laying of charges of either manslaughter, non-capital murder or capital murder in each of the years from 1960-67, inclusive, and how many of these crimes remain unsolved at the present time?

Return tabled.