

Questions
JUDGES ACT

AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE FOR ADDITIONAL
ONTARIO JUDGES

Hon. E. D. Fulton (Minister of Justice) moved that the house go into committee at the next sitting to consider the following resolution, which has been recommended to the house by His Excellency:

That it is expedient to introduce a measure to amend the Judges Act to provide salaries for two additional judges of the trial division of the supreme court of Ontario and seven additional judges of the county and district courts of Ontario including one chief judge.

Motion agreed to.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

ESTABLISHMENT OF ELECTORAL
BOUNDARIES COMMISSION

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Prime Minister) moved that the house go into committee at the next sitting to consider the following resolution, which has been recommended to the house by His Excellency:

That it is expedient to introduce a measure respecting the establishment of an electoral boundaries commission for the readjustment of representation in the House of Commons; to provide that certain members of the commission may be paid such per diem allowance as may be fixed by the governor in council; to provide for the payment of reasonable travelling and living expenses for the members of the commission; and to provide also that the commission may engage the services of such technical advisers and other staff, including a person to act as secretary to the commission, as it deems necessary.

Motion agreed to.

QUESTIONS

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS—COMMUNICATION
FROM MRS. L. LANK

Question No. 279—Mr. Herridge:

Have any communications been received from Mrs. L. Lank, 5322 Snowdon street, Montreal 29, P.Q., concerning bankruptcy proceedings; and, if so, what was the gist of these communications, and what replies, if any, have been made?

Answer by: Mr. Fulton:

Mr. Speaker, there has been a considerable exchange of correspondence between Mrs. L. Lank and the Department of Justice concerning the bankruptcy of Ralph W. Macdonald and Harold Johnson of Montreal trading as Packaging Specialty Company. In this correspondence Mrs. Lank complained about delays and other irregularities on the part of the trustee. These complaints were inquired into by the superintendent of bankruptcy and found to be unwarranted. Mrs.

[Mr. Nowlan.]

Lank was advised that any irregularities antecedent to the bankruptcy, or not involving the trustee, were matters for private advice or, if criminal behaviour was involved, for the attention of the provincial authorities.

SMALL POST OFFICE CONSTRUCTION IN NEXT
FISCAL YEAR

Question No. 305—Mr. Racine:

How many small post offices does the Department of Public Works intend to build in the course of the next fiscal year, and where; and for each place, what are the operating revenue or deficit, and the population served?

Answer by: Mr. MacLean (Queens):

Mr. Speaker, a program for the construction of small post office buildings is now being planned with work to be carried out during the winter season in 1962-63. The site locations for these buildings are now being investigated but until final decisions are made regarding the sites it will not be possible to give the detailed locations. The information requested will therefore not be available for another four or five months.

*TARIFF BOARD HEARING ON ENGINEERING
DRAWINGS, ETC.

Question No. 311—Mr. Broome:

1. What was the date of the Minister of Finance's reference to the tariff board in regard to engineering drawings, blueprints, etc.?
2. When did the tariff board complete their hearings on this matter?
3. Has the report of the tariff board been received by the minister; and, if not, when is this report likely to be tabled?

Mr. Fleming (Eglinton): Mr. Speaker, the answers to the three parts of this question are as follows:

1. July 8, 1960.
2. February 15, 1961.
3. The report in question will be tabled within 15 days of its receipt, pursuant to section 6 of the Tariff Board Act.

*SYDNEY MINES, N.S.—WAGES PAID FREIGHT
HANDLERS

Question No. 312—Mr. Herridge:

1. Has the Minister of Transport received a letter from the Princess local union of the united mine workers of America, of Sydney Mines, N.S. protesting the low wages paid to the employees of the Northside freight handlers association, subcontractors of the C.N.R.?
2. If so, will representations be made to the C.N.R. to ensure that it lets work out on subcontract only to employers who pay according to acceptable union wage scales; and, what answer has been made to the letter?

Mr. Martini: Mr. Speaker, the answer to part 1 is yes.

With regard to part 2, as this is a matter which comes under the jurisdiction of the