### Questions

Construction Limited for the work carried out in repairing the faults to the Inmate Activities Building at the Springhill Penal Institution?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): No. Direct payment between the consultant and contractor is not anticipated. The Department of Public Works is holding funds pending resolution of the amount.

# NATIONAL DEFENCE EMPLOYEES PAY INCREASES, DARTMOUTH-HALIFAX

# Question No. 476-Mr. Forrestall:

- 1. How many employees of the Department of National Defence in the Dartmouth-Halifax area have not had pay raises since October 1965 and of these how many are (a) labourers (b) trades helpers?
- 2. How many since July 1966 have not had a pay raise and of these what number are (a) labourers (b) trades helpers?
- Mr. D. W. Groos (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of National Defence): 1. 106—(a) and (b) none.
  - 2. 711—(a) 110; (b) 50.

### C.N.R. REVENUES AND COSTS

# Question No. 490-Mr. Moores:

- 1. During the year 1966, what were the C.N.R. figures for Newfoundland of (a) rail passenger revenues (b) gross rail revenues (c) gross operating expenses for rail services (d) operating expenses for rail passenger services (e) total operating expenses (f) total revenues from all sources?
- 2. In 1966, what were the C.N.R. totals, by provinces, of (a) rail passenger revenues (b) gross revenues of rail services, including freight and passenger services?
- 3. In 1966, what were the total operating costs, by provinces, of C.N.R. rail services (a) passenger (b) freight?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): The management of Canadian National Railways advises as follows: 1. Pursuant to section 314 I, subsection 3 of the Railway Act, the railway is required to submit, on a confidential basis, concurrently with the filing of an application to discontinue a passenger train service, a statement of costs and revenues of the company attributable to the carriage of passengers by the service as the commission may prescribe. The foregoing requirement was met by the company in connection with its application for authority to discontinue passenger train service between

Port aux Basques and St. John's, and by order No. R-507 dated November 6, 1967, the Railway Transport Committee gave notice that it had determined the said passenger train service had incurred an actual loss of \$918,000 in the year ended December 31, 1966.

2 and 3. The information is not available in the form asked as the system is administered by regions which do not conform to the geographical boundaries of the provinces. System railway operating revenues and expenses for the year 1966 may be found on pages 4, 5 and 6 of the company's printed annual report for that year.

# UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS TO CANADIANS IN U.S.

## Question No. 492-Mr. Dionne:

What have been the results to date of the efforts by the representatives of the Canadian Government to reach an agreement with the United States authorities concerning the eligibility for Unemployment Insurance benefits of Canadian workers in U.S. Territory, especially in the States of Maine and New Hampshire?

### [Translation]

Hon. Bryce S. Mackasey (Minister of Labour): A survey is currently underway covering Canadians who habitually work in lumbering and logging in Maine. The purpose of this survey is to assess the possible cost to Maine if a reciprocal agreement is negotiated. It is expected that the results of the survey will be tabulated within the next three months following which the Maine authorities will make their decision. There are no negotiations underway with New Hampshire at the present time.

[English]

#### \*BUTTER IMPORTS

# Question No. 498-Mr. Laprise:

- 1. What quantity of butter was imported in the year 1967-68, at what cost and from what countries?
- 2. What quantity of butter is being kept in storage in Canada?
- 3. What quantity of butter does the government intend to import during the year 1968-69?

#### [Translation]

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the departments of Trade and Commerce and Agriculture as follows: 1. The quantity and cost of butter imported in 1967-68, by countries, is as follows:

[Mr. Coates.]