BUTTER HELD BY GOVERNMENT

Mr. Fraser (Peterborough):

What was the total poundage of 1952 butter held by the government on January 30, 1954?

Mr. McCubbin: 9,140,792 pounds.

CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD VACANCY

Mr. Argue:

1. Have any farm organizations or officials been asked to recommend a person or persons to fill the vacancy existing on the Canadian wheat board?

2. If so, what was the nature of such recommendations?

3. When will the vacancy be filled?

Motions for Papers

Mr. Dickey:

- 1. No.
- 2. Answered by No. 1.
- 3. Government policy will be announced at an appropriate time.

TAX RENTAL AGREEMENT, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Mr. Kickham:

How much money was paid by the federal government to the province of Prince Edward Island in connection with the federal provincial tax rental agreement, each year since the coming into force of the agreement?

Mr. Benidickson:

Payments to Prince Edward Island under—

	Tax Rental Agreements Act — 1947		Tax Rental Agreements	
Fiscal year		Section 7	Act — 1952	Total
1946-47 (Jan. 1			THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE	
Mar. 31, 1947)	350,767.00			350,767.00
1947-48	1,226,392.08			1,226,392.08
1948-49	1,769,705.51			1,769,705.51
1949-50	1,746,287.65	400.00		1,746,687.65
1950-51	2,076,004.12	13,331.07		2,089,335.19
1951-52	2,156,095.49	19,109.00		2,175,204.49
1952-53	688,759.88	22,738.00	3,262,630.92	3,974,128.80
1953-54 (To Dec. 31, 1953)			2,749,692.73	2,749,692.73
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QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

ADVERTISING

Mr. Murphy (Lambion West):

- 1. What amount of money, if any, was paid for advertising by (a) the Bank of Canada; (b) Trans-Canada Air Lines; (c) the Canadian National Railways, during each of the years 1950, 1951, 1952 and
 - 2. What advertising firms handled same?
- 3. What amount was paid to each firm for each of the above-mentioned years?

Mr. Pickersgill: Return tabled.

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

FLIN FLON-NIPAWIN HIGHWAY

Mr. Diefenbaker:

For a copy of all letters and telegrams which have passed between the provincial governments of Manitoba and Saskatchewan and the dominion government, since the 1st day of January, 1954, regarding federal contribution or assistance in the building and completion of the highway between Flin Flon, Manitoba and Nipawin, Saskatchewan.

Mr. Lesage: Mr. Speaker, there has been no correspondence nor have there been any telegrams since that date.

Mr. Speaker: Shall the motion be dropped? 83276-137

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Mr. Speaker: Dropped.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO FARMERS, MANITOBA

Mr. Zaplitny:

For a copy of all letters, memoranda, telegrams and other communications exchanged between the government of Manitoba and the government of Canada, concerning: (a) the Prairie Farm Assistance Act; (b) emergency assistance to farmers who suffered flood losses, from June 1, 1953 to date.

Mr. Gardiner: Subject to our receiving the consent of the government of Manitoba, the motion is agreed to.

Mr. Speaker: Agreed to, subject to the statement made by the Minister of Agriculture.

TRADE

REFERENCE TO NEGOTIATIONS SUGGESTED BY RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Donald M. Fleming (Eglinton): Mr. Speaker, in the light of the statement made in this city yesterday by the Russian ambassador, may I ask the Minister of Trade and Commerce (Mr. Howe) what comment the government is prepared to make as to its