Questions

UNREDEEMED PERPETUAL BONDS ISSUED IN 1936

Question No. 1,043-Mr. Crouse:

What is the amount of outstanding unredeemed Perpetual Bonds as issued by the federal government at a 3 percent interest rate in 1936?

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance): See question No. 960 which was answered on February 9, 1970.

CASH DEPOSITS IN CHARTERED BANKS

Question No. 1,128-Mr. Mather:

What is the approximate total amount of cash deposits in current and other non-interest bearing accounts in the chartered banks?

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance): Current deposits of the public payable on demand in Canadian currency at chartered banks on December 31, 1969 were \$7,036,909,-000. There were also deposits by Canada, provincial governments and other banks, payable in Canadian currency, an unknown part of which would be non-interest bearing.

HURON CONSTITUENCY—CONSTRUCTION OF FEDERAL BUILDINGS

Question No. 1,189-Mr. McKinley:

Is the government planning for the construction of any new federal buildings in the constituency of Huron during the period January 1, 1970 to March 31, 1971 and, if so, what will be the purpose of the new buildings and where will they be located?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): No.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

PAVING OF ALASKA HIGHWAY

Question No. 320-Mr. Borrie:

1. Has the government undertaken or will it undertake meetings with the Government of British Columbia and the Government of the United States to ascertain (a) respective participation in preparing the Alaska Highway for paving (b) the respective participation in paving the Alaska Highway?

2. What was the traffic count on the Alaska Highway in the years 1960 to 1969 inclusive for the following sections (a) Dawson Creek-Fort St. John, B.C. (b) Fort St. John-Fort Nelson, B.C. (c) Fort Nelson, B.C.-Watson Lake, Yukon Territory (d) Watson Lake-Whitehorse, Yukon Territory (e) Whitehorse-Yukon, Alaska Border?

3. What was the cost of maintaining the Alaska Highway from Dawson Creek, B.C., to the Yukon, Alaska Border in the years 1950 to 1969 inclusive?

[Mr. Groos.]

4. In what year was maintenance of the Alaska Highway put to public tender?

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EXPENDITURES FOR OVERTIME WORK

Question No. 404-Mr. Barnett:

1. For each month, from January 1, 1969 to September 30, 1969, what have been the expenditures for regular civil servants working on an overtime basis for each federal government department?

2. Is it anticipated that there will be significant federal government expenditures for overtime work this fiscal year due to the current freeze on civil service hirings?

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UNIONS IN CANADA

Question No. 494-Mr. Robinson:

1. How many unions are there in Canada, what are their names and how many people belong to each union?

2. How many unions in Canada are affiliated with American unions and how many people belong to each union so affiliated?

3. How many international unions are represented in Canada, what are their names, where is the head office of each and how many Canadians belong to such unions?

4. How much money is paid by Canadians to international unions, where does the money go, how is it used and what benefits are derived by Canadians as a result of such payment?

Return tabled.

AVERAGE ANNUAL SALARY

Question No. 657-Mr. Fortin:

 What is the average annual salary in Canada?
How many people in Canada earn less than \$3,000?

3. What measures will the government take to fight poverty in Canada?

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MOTION TO ADJOURN UNDER S.O. 26

POST OFFICE

MONTREAL POSTAL DISPUTE

Mr. G. W. Baldwin (Peace River): Mr. Speaker, I ask leave, seconded by the hon. member for Sainte-Marie (Mr. Valade), to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order 26 for the purpose of discussing a specific and important matter requiring urgent consideration, namely, the