

employees are Yves Bergevin, Roger Cousineau, Roger DeGagné, Fernand Groulx, Gaston Hould, Claude Marcotte, Maurice Marcotte, Marcellin Marquis, Léo Normand, Edward Phillips, Claude Bérubé, and Raymond Côté.

2. Yes. An investigation was conducted, the results of which disclosed that no CGPB equipment has been nor is being used in the private business mentioned in one.

3 and 4. Yes. In 1964, three employees of the London, Ontario, outside printing unit of the CGPB performed private printing services for others using printing bureau multilith equipment to produce two issues of News and Views of the Department of Veterans Affairs local employee welfare association. This work, valued at a total of \$260 was performed by Messrs. E. M. Hyde, G. Gore and Mrs. V. Potter, without authority.

MONEY LENDERS SYNDICATE, PRINTING BUREAU

Question No. 330—Mr. Irvine:

1. Does there exist a "money lenders syndicate" operated by Canadian government printing bureau employees or others on printing bureau premises?

2. If so (a) has there been an investigation conducted by the R.C.M.P., or otherwise, into the existence of a "money lenders syndicate" operated by printing bureau employees or others on printing bureau premises and what are the results of such investigation (b) have any persons been charged under the provisions of the Criminal Code with any offence arising out of such investigation and what is or are the name or names of such person or persons (c) if no formal charges were laid, has any other disciplinary procedure been taken by the bureau against any person in this connection and, if so, by whom and against whom was such disciplinary procedure so taken (d) if such investigation has been conducted, does it disclose that such syndicate does exist for the purpose of lending money to printing bureau employees and are such loans made at excessive interest rates?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry):

1. The Department of Public Printing and Stationery, on 12 July 1962, authorized the establishment of a credit union (Caisse Populaire) in the building occupied by the Canadian government printing bureau. This organization is operated, outside of working hours, by and for the employees. The employees have only forty-five minutes for lunch and the Caisse Populaire enables them to use properly controlled facilities for savings and loans.

2. No.

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PRINTING BUREAU—SALE OF STOLEN GOODS

Question No. 331—Mr. Irvine:

Since January, 1962, were any stolen goods sold in any of the buildings housing the operations of the Canadian government printing bureau to any of the employees of the said bureau and, if so (a) specifically, were any stolen television sets, tape recorders or transistor radios sold to any of the employees of the printing bureau on premises occupied by the printing bureau (b) was any investigation conducted into dealings or transactions in stolen goods by printing bureau employees to printing bureau employees on printing bureau premises and who conducted such investigation and what were its findings (c) were any printing bureau employees interviewed or questioned in connection with such investigation or in connection with such dealings or transactions in stolen goods on printing bureau premises (d) were any printing bureau employees arrested, charged, suspended or dismissed either as a result of such investigation or of independent action taken by printing bureau officials in connection with dealings and transactions in such stolen goods (e) if any employees were so arrested, charged, suspended or dismissed, what were their names, for what offence or offences was such action taken, was there a trial or a hearing in each such case, are any such employees still employed with the printing bureau and, if so, who are they and in what positions are they employed?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry):

(a) There were allegations to this effect, but they could not be substantiated. (b) Yes. An investigation was conducted by the management in conjunction with local police authorities, but no definite proof of such actions obtained. (c) Yes. (d) No. (e) No.

BRIDGES OVER OTTAWA RIVER

Question No. 336—Mr. Bell (Carleton):

1. Has the Department of Public Works and/or the National Capital Commission developed any plan for the early commencement of highway bridges over the Ottawa river at (a) Deschenes rapids (b) Lemieux island?

2. If so, what is the anticipated date of commencement of construction for each of such bridges?

3. What is the estimate of the total cost of the erection of each of these bridges?

4. What share of the total cost of each of these bridges is it proposed that the governments of Ontario and Quebec and the Corporation of the City of Ottawa should bear?

5. What discussions or negotiations have been undertaken with the governments of Ontario and Quebec and the Corporation of the City of Ottawa, and with what result?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): 1. Plans for these highway bridges can only be developed after there is agreement by the federal and provincial governments concerned.

2 and 3. Not applicable.