

Questions

These efforts to have Drewry's Limited U.S.A., discontinue this type of advertising have been to no avail.

CONSTRUCTION OF SCHOONER "BLUENOSE II"

Question No. 1,135—Mr. Crouse:

Was the construction of *Bluenose II*, recently launched at Lunenburg, subsidized by the federal government and if so, (a) what is the total amount of subsidy to be paid to the owners (b) what is the estimated total cost of the ship, and (c) what percentage of total cost was used when computing the subsidy?

**Answer:** A construction subsidy toward the cost of *Bluenose II* was authorized by the federal government on January 10, 1963, but no claim for subsidy has yet been presented nor has payment of subsidy been made.

(a) Under the regulations the subsidy is paid to the shipbuilder and not to the owners; the total amount of subsidy authorized is \$103,880.

(b) The estimated cost of the ship, as set out in the joint application for subsidy, is \$259,700.

(c) The authorization stipulates an approved cost for subsidy purposes of \$259,700 and the regulations provide for the use of 100 per cent of that sum as the basis for computing the subsidy.

CANADIAN WORKERS IN NEW ENGLAND STATES

Question No. 1,139—Mr. Dionne:

1. Does the government have statistics concerning Canadian workers employed in the states of Maine, New Hampshire, New York and Vermont each year from 1955 to 1963?

2. Have agreements been entered into between Canadian and American authorities with respect to the payment of U.I.C. benefits to Canadian workers employed in the states of New York and Vermont and, if so, what is the nature of such agreements?

**Mr. MacEachen:** 1. Information regarding the number of Canadian workers employed in the states of Maine, New Hampshire, New York and Vermont for the years 1955 to 1963 is not available in so far as the Department of Labour and the unemployment insurance commission are concerned.

2. Yes. These agreements provide that a person who has acquired a right to benefit in Canada, who moves to either the state of New York or Vermont and who becomes unemployed while residing there, may make a claim against Canada by visiting the local unemployment compensation office, of the state, nearest to his residence and completing an application for benefit. That office sends the application to Canada, where eligibility is determined.

The claimant reports to the state office each week and makes a declaration as to his being unemployed the previous week. This

declaration is forwarded by the state office to Canada, which then makes payment direct to the claimant.

Conversely, a person who has acquired a right to benefit in either New York or Vermont, who moves to Canada and who becomes unemployed while residing there may make a claim, against the state concerned, by visiting the nearest local office of the unemployment insurance commission in Canada and completing an application for benefit. The unemployment insurance commission office forwards the application to the state concerned, where eligibility is determined.

The claimant reports to the unemployment insurance commission office each week and makes a declaration as to his being unemployed the previous week. This declaration is sent by the unemployment insurance commission office to the state concerned, which then makes payment direct to the claimant.

In summary, Canada acts as agent in taking claims for New York or Vermont for persons residing in Canada who have acquired benefit rights in either of these two states. On the other hand, these two states act as Canada's agent in taking claims for persons residing in those states and who have acquired benefit rights in Canada.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES, KAMOURASKA-L'ISLET COUNTY, QUE.

Question No. 1,140—Mr. Dionne:

What was the cost of federal public works in the county of Kamouraska-L'Islet from 1955 to 1963 (a) for the maintenance and repairs to wharves (b) for the construction and repairs to post offices?

**Answer:** (a) \$146,118.52; (b) \$20,119.97.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BANK LOANS, TIMISKAMING RIDING

Question No. 1,142—Mr. Peters:

Has the industrial development bank made any loans to entrepreneurs in the riding of Timiskaming during the years 1959 to 1963 and, if so (a) how many requested loans in each year (b) how many were completed for each year, giving name and amount in each case, and (c) how many of these loans are now in default, and what are the names of the companies involved in each case?

**Answer:** The information requested is not available. Loan approvals are classified by provinces on pages 16 and 17 of the last annual report of the industrial development bank and by types of businesses on pages 18 and 19 of that report.

RURAL MAIL CONTRACT, SIEGAS, N.B.

Question No. 1,143—Mr. Bell:

1. Has a rural mail contract been awarded, renewed, or extended to Mr. Abel Thibodeau, R.R.1, Siegas, N.B., and, if so, were public tenders called?  
2. Did the Postmaster General personally approve of this contract and, if so, under what authority?