

258. Return to an Address to His Excellency the Governor General of March 20, 1944, for a copy of all letters, telegrams, correspondence, reports and other documents in the possession of the Department of Transport, exchanged between the said department and the city of Nelson, British Columbia, or any official thereof, including any correspondence and reports of Mr. W. S. Lawson regarding an emergency airport on the waterfront of the city of Nelson.

259. Return showing:—

1. How much income has been received from the war exchange tax in each year since it was imposed?
2. What imports, if any, are exempt from said tax?
3. Is a licence or permission necessary to import goods into Canada or to pay for same?
4. Is the war exchange tax still necessary to conserve our foreign exchange position?
5. Will consideration be given to the removal of this tax?

260. Return showing:—

1. Have any representations been made to the federal government regarding the establishment of a Forest Products Research Institute at the University of British Columbia? If so, what steps are being taken in this connection?
2. What percentage of the production of lumber in Canada has been produced in British Columbia for, (a) domestic use; (b) export?

260a. Return showing:—

1. What were the ceiling prices on lumber during, (a) 1942; (b) 1943?
2. Did increases occur during 1943. If so, on what date or dates did such increases become effective, and what was the increase in each case?
3. Were any subsidies paid or depletion allowances granted on lumber or saw-logs between October 1, 1942, and December 31, 1943, and if so, on what authority, and on what basis?
4. What companies or persons received such payments of subsidies or depletion allowances on timber products or lumber during the period October 1, 1942, and December 31, 1943, and what was the amount paid or allowed in each case?

260b. Return showing:—

1. Does the federal government do any research work on forestry projects other than those in the forest products laboratories in Ottawa, Montreal and Vancouver?
2. If so, what type of research work is being done, and by what agencies?
3. What were the federal government expenditures on forestry research projects in 1938, 1939, 1940 and 1941, (a) by the Department of Mines and Resources; (b) by the National Research Council?
4. What were the total expenditures of the National Research Council on all projects during the years 1938, 1939, 1940 and 1941?
5. What is the area of forest land in Canada?
6. How much of this land is considered as having commercial value at present?