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**QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER**

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

**COST OF ADVERTISING FOR CNR IN NEWFOUNDLAND**Question No. 892—**Mr. Peddle:**

1. What was the total cost of newspaper, radio and television advertising by CNR in Newfoundland in 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970?

2. What were the media and amounts paid to each in each year?

3. What is the anticipated expenditure for 1971?

**Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport):** The management of Canadian Railways advises as follows: 1, 2 and 3. Advertising of the various services offered by the company is done in accordance with what is considered to be the requirements of the market. Expenditures covering advertising are controlled through an annual budget which is also made in accordance with considered requirements. The placing of advertising is a matter of internal management and it is not the practice to disclose the information on a territorial breakdown basis.

**CONVICTIONS FOR POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA**Question No. 895—**Mr. Peddle:**

1. How many convictions for possession of marijuana were registered in Canada for each year since 1960?

2. What were the penalties imposed in each case?

3. What were the ages of the accused in each case?

**Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** 1. 1960, 15; 1961, 12; 1962, 11; 1963, 30; 1964, 27; 1965, 40; 1966, 109; 1967, 453; 1968, 1,078; 1969, 2,313; 1970, 5,399.

2 and 3. To obtain the information requested would require a manual search of records which would be prohibitively expensive and for which funds are not available. For this reason, it is regretted that the information cannot be provided.

**POLICY OF AIR CANADA ON BILINGUALISM**Question No. 993—**Mr. Fortin:**

1. What is Air Canada's policy on the distribution of French newspapers on its flights?

2. What is Air Canada's policy on the use of French at the Ottawa Airport?

3. What is Air Canada's policy on bilingualism?

**Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport):** The management of Air Canada advises as follows: 1. It is Air Canada's policy to board French language newspapers at points of publication on flights where there is an anticipated demand, in a quantity proportionate to the total number boarded. Where French language newspapers are not published, but are in demand, a supply is flown to the departure

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point to be boarded as appropriate. French language magazines are boarded on all Air Canada flights.

2. Services to the travelling public are provided in both official languages.

3. To provide bilingual services to the travelling public in Canada and elsewhere wherever there is a significant and regular demand. The matter is under continuing review.

**AIR CANADA—YARMOUTH AIRPORT**Question No. 1,000—**Mr. Comeau:**

1. Since the recent reduction of personnel at Yarmouth Airport, by Air Canada, have any flights been delayed and, if so (a) how many (b) by what length of time?

2. What is the normal ground time for Air Canada flights at Yarmouth?

**Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport):** The management of Air Canada advises as follows: 1. During the period February 21 to March 18 inclusive ten flights were delayed for periods ranging from two to fourteen minutes as a result of unusual heavy freight, accommodation of late arriving passengers, and minor technical difficulties.

2. Flight 330, 35 minutes; flight 331, 25 minutes.

**WHEAT BOARD GRASS SEEDING PROGRAM**Question No. 1,005—**Mr. Thomson:**

1. Is it the intention of the Wheat Board to continue the grass seeding program as it was under Operation Lift in 1971 or beyond and, if so, will payments remain the same?

2. Is it the intention of the Wheat Board to continue to exempt land seeded to grass from grain quota?

3. How many acres were removed from quota acreage by the removal of grassland from quota?

4. What was the total decrease in quota acreage resulting from quota changes under Operation Lift?

**Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Manpower and Immigration):** 1. The Federal Government is continuing to offer a \$10 an acre payment under the Prairie Grains Policy Forage Program to farmers who switch production from grains, oilseeds and other crops to forage. To qualify for payment farmers must increase their net forage acreage by at least 25 acres and decrease their net crop and summerfallow acreage by a corresponding amount in order to qualify for payments. There is no maximum for the individual farmer nor are there any restrictions on the use and harvesting of nurse crops. The incentives will apply for three years or on 4 million acres of land, whichever limit is reached first.

2. In the 1971-72 crop year land actually seeded to perennial forage (up to a maximum of one-third of the total of land in summerfallow, in the six quota grains and in miscellaneous crops) will form part of a producer's total assignable acreage base.

3. 5,396,065 acres.

4. 13,777,952 acres.