

Questions

11. How many actuality broadcasts originated from the New Democratic Party convention in Winnipeg?

12. What was the total coverage (TV and radio) given to the New Democratic Party convention by the CBC?

13. How many interviews with delegates to the New Democratic Party convention were carried by the CBC (television and radio) and who were the persons interviewed?

14. On how many special affairs programs, news casts or public affairs programs did Professor Melville Watkins appear?

15. Is it the policy of the CBC to allocate time on its networks to political conventions of opposition parties in inverse ratio to the proportion of the votes received by the respective parties in the last preceding election?

Hon. Gerard Pelletier (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation as follows: 1. There were no "Viewpoint" programs on the subject during the period specified but there were two following the Conference. There was one "Preview Commentary" program on the subject during the Oct. 9-14 period.

2. "Viewpoint"—Oct. 15 by W. A. Wilson (Montreal Gazette) and Oct. 21 by Dennis Smith (Trent University). "Preview Commentary"—Oct. 14 by Ron Blain.

3. Television—News items on the national TV news Oct. 9, 10 and 13 and on evening news Oct. 10. Also French network news items Oct. 9-13 inclusive. "Weekend—Saturday Edition", Oct. 11. "Weekend—Sunday Edition", Oct. 12.

Radio—News items on "World at Six" Oct. 9, 10 and 13; "World at Eight" Oct. 10 and 13; One O'clock News Oct. 10 and 13; National News Oct. 9 and 12. Also French Network news items Oct. 9-13 inclusive. "Capital Report", Oct. 12. "Five Nights a Week at This Time", Oct. 13. "Matinee", Oct. 13 and 15. Closing Address by Hon. Robert Stanfield, Oct. 13. "Canadian Roundup", Oct. 13. "Sunday Magazine", Oct. 12. "Présent", Oct. 17.

4. Closing address by Hon. Robert Stanfield plus 20 actuality clips used as items on the English network; 14 actuality clips used as items on the French network.

5. Total CBC radio and television coverage on the English networks was just over 2 hours; total on the French networks was approximately one hour.

6. Seven. Flora McDonald, David Surpliss, Heward Grafftey, Richard Atkey, Senator Jacques Flynn and Fernand Alie (2).

7. Closing address of Hon. Robert Stanfield, Oct. 13, for 30 minutes.

[Mr. Macquarrie.]

8. One "Viewpoint" and One "Preview Commentary".

9. "Viewpoint"—Oct. 31, by Ellen Simmons. "Preview Commentary"—Oct. 28, by Michael Wicks.

10. Television—News items on the national TV news Oct. 28-31 inclusive and on the evening news Oct. 30. Also French network items Oct. 27-31 inclusive. "Weekend—Saturday Edition", Nov. 1. "Weekend—Sunday Edition", Oct. 26 and Nov. 2. Two Specials on Oct. 30. "Format 60", Oct. 31.

Radio—News items on "World at Eight" Oct. 28-31 inclusive; "World at Six" Oct. 27-31 inclusive; One O'clock News Oct. 29, 30 and 31; National news Oct. 27, 28, 30 and 31; Nine a.m. news Oct. 31; Also French network news items Oct. 27-31 inclusive. "Radio Free Friday", Oct. 24. "As It Happens", Oct. 27. "Matinee", Oct. 30. "Five Nights a Week at This Time", Oct. 31. Closing Address by T. C. Douglas, Oct. 31. "Canadian Roundup", Oct. 30. "Sunday Magazine", Nov. 2. "Présent", Nov. 3. "Au Rythme du Monde", Nov. 2.

11. Closing address by T. C. Douglas plus 22 actuality clips used as items on the English network; 19 actuality clips used as items on the French network.

12. Total CBC radio and television coverage on the English networks was just over 3 hours; total on the French networks was 1½ hours.

13. Fifteen. T. C. Douglas (2), David Lewis (2), Melville Watkins (2), Charles Taylor (3), Laurier Lapierre, Mr. Lassiter, Dawn Carrol, Roy Atkinson, Enid Paige, Rolland Morin.

14. Five appearances in news programs, three in current affairs programs and two in special programs from the convention; plus one French network appearance.

15. It is the policy of the CBC to make convention coverage decisions on the basis of program judgment following assessment of the degree and kind of broadcast coverage warranted. Special attention is paid to leadership contests where the party concerned is consulted to ensure the most effective coverage possible.

GRAIN MOVEMENT MEASURES

Question No. 356—Mr. Burton:

What measures, other than the block system, are being considered to deal with the problem of grain movement?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister without Portfolio): The Grains Group which was recently established by the government, is examining