

Questions

2. National Press Club; National Press Gallery; prospective support organizations; local, national and international critics.

3. The purpose of pre-opening entertainment was to show the Centre to those who wished to organize community support, and to attract local, national and international news coverage—800 people.

4. G. Hamilton Southam, Director General.

PROFICIENCY OF FIRE ARMS APPLICANTS

Question No. 2,389—**Mr. Beaudoin:**

Is it the federal government's intention to require of applicants for fire-arms permits the same proof of proficiency required of applicants for driving permits?

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice):** No specific test of proficiency is laid down in Bill C-150 but the persons authorized to issue firearms permits are entitled to consider

the question of proficiency in deciding whether to issue a permit.

ROADS IN NATIONAL PARKS

Question No. 2,430—**Mr. Sulatycky:**

1. How many miles of public road are there in each of Canada's National Parks?

2. How many miles of public road have been built in each of the National Parks in each year since 1960?

**Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development):** 1. Banff, 177.0; Cape Breton Highlands, 53.0; Elk Island, 17.1; Fundy, 44.0; Georgian Bay Islands, Nil; Glacier and Mount Revelstoke, 58.0; Jasper, 231.0; Kejimikujik, 10; Kootenay, 66.5; Point Pelee, 14.9; Prince Edward Island, 20.0; Prince Albert, 158.5; Riding Mountain, 93.6; St. Lawrence Islands, Nil; Terra Nova, 48.0; Waterton, 42.7; Yoho, 52.0; Wood Buffalo, 266.0.

|                       | 1960-61 | 1961-62 | 1962-63 | 1963-64 | 1964-65 | 1965-66 | 1966-67 | 1967-68 | 1968-69 |
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| 2.                    |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |
| Banff.....            | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | .4      | 2.9     | 5.0     |
| C.B.H.....            | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     |
| Elk Island.....       | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | 5.5     | 1.8     | —       | —       |
| Fundy.....            | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       |
| Georgian Bay Is.....  | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     |
| Glacier & Mt. Rev.... | —       | —       | 36.2    | .1      | —       | 5.4     | 14.5    | —       | —       |
| Jasper.....           | 14      | 25.1    | 22.7    | 9.7     | 14.5    | 15.9    | 27.8    | 2.8     | —       |
| Kejimikujik.....      | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       | 5       | 5       |
| Kootenay.....         | —       | —       | 7.7     | 1.0     | —       | —       | —       | 1.5     | —       |
| Point Pelee.....      | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     |
| Prince Albert.....    | —       | —       | —       | 12.66   | —       | —       | —       | —       | .4      |
| P.E.I.....            | 1       | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     |
| Riding Mountain.....  | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     |
| St. Lawrence Is.....  | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     | Nil     |
| Terra Nova.....       | Nil     | 1.6     | 4.1     | 2.4     | 3.0     | 1.1     | Nil     | Nil     | 0.2     |
| Waterton.....         | —       | —       | 8.0     | —       | 6.2     | —       | —       | —       | —       |
| Yoho.....             | —       | —       | —       | 1.2     | —       | —       | —       | —       | —       |
| Wood Buffalo.....     | —       | 35.0    | —       | —       | —       | —       | 71.0    | —       | —       |

N.B.—Public roads are defined as roads which are used by the public and do not include fire roads, etc.

TIMBER BERTHS IN NATIONAL PARKS

Question No. 2,431—**Mr. Sulatycky:**

1. How many timber berths are at present held in National Parks?

2. How many mining claims exist at present in the National Parks?

**Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development):** 1. Twelve timber berths.

2. Two mining claims exist.

READJUSTMENT OF CRIMINAL CODE FINANCIAL PENALTIES

Question No. 2,447—**Mr. Fortin:**

With regard to the financial penalties provided for in the Criminal Code, does the government

[Mr. Pelletier.]

intend to adjust these penalties to reflect the capacity of those concerned to pay, in order that the poor may not be penalized more severely than the rich and, if not, for what reason?

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice):** Sections 622 and 694 of the Criminal Code make special provision for allowing time for payment of a fine if the court is satisfied that a convicted person is not possessed of sufficient means to enable him to pay forthwith.

COMPENSATION TO VICTIMS OF CRIMINAL ACTS

Question No. 2,448—**Mr. Fortin:**

1. Is the government studying, will it study or has it studied the problem of compensating the victims of criminal acts?