

regulations under the Food and Drugs Act are being revised to prohibit the use of nitrogen trichloride in flour sold in Canada.

#### INCOME TAX—PRIMARY PRODUCERS SECTION

##### Mr. Diefenbaker:

How many assessors of income tax are there in each of the provinces operating in the primary producers division of the Department of National Revenue?

##### Mr. McCann:

The primary producers section dealing with income tax returns of farmers, fishermen, fur trappers, and allied occupations, has assessors located as follows:

Prince Edward Island .....	7
Nova Scotia .....	9
New Brunswick .....	11
Quebec .....	22
Ontario .....	95
Manitoba .....	36
Saskatchewan .....	69
Alberta .....	50
British Columbia.....	12

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Of the above primary producer assessors, only the following number are used to make investigations in the field:

Prince Edward Island .....	6
Nova Scotia .....	6
New Brunswick .....	6
Quebec .....	13
Ontario .....	55
Manitoba .....	28
Saskatchewan .....	28
Alberta .....	22
British Columbia .....	5

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##### WHEAT SUBSIDIES

##### Mr. Fair:

1. During each of the crop years 1939-40 to date, how many bushels of wheat have been supplied to millers on which a subsidy has been paid?

2. During the same period, what quantity of wheat has been supplied to others on which a subsidy has been paid?

3. What is the amount of subsidy paid each crop year in each of the above classes?

##### Mr. Belzile: Return tabled.

##### CANADIAN BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS

##### Mr. Cockeram:

What were the (a) current receipts; (b) current payments in the Canadian balance of international payments for the calendar year 1948 in each of the

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following categories: (1) merchandise; (2) receipts by War Supplies Limited; (3) net exports of non-monetary gold; (4) tourist expenditures; (5) interest and dividends; (6) freight and shipping; (7) inheritance and immigration funds; (8) national defence; (9) all other current receipts and expenditures for (a) all countries; (b) United Kingdom; (c) other sterling areas; (d) United States of America; (e) all other countries?

##### Mr. Cockeram:

What were the amounts on capital account in the Canadian balance of international payments for the calendar year 1948 in each of the following categories: (1) loans and net export credits; (2) gold subscriptions; (3) net receipts of convertible exchange from overseas countries; (4) loan repayments; (5) sale and purchase of securities; (6) other capital movements, for (a) all countries; (b) United Kingdom; (c) other sterling areas; (d) United States of America; (e) all other countries?

##### Mr. McIlraith: Order for return.

Mr. Cockeram: May I ask when I can expect the return to be tabled? I do so because a similar question was asked last year; the return was tabled on February 18, and I think these figures are available in the department today. I would like to get them before the resolution on the order paper today with regard to the Foreign Exchange Control Act is brought before the house.

Mr. McIlraith: My information is that the figures will not be available until March 1. The return will be brought forward as soon as the figures are available.

Mr. Cockeram: The answers were given on February 18 of last year.

##### Mr. Speaker: Order for return.

##### BANK OF CANADA—PROFIT OR LOSS ON OPERATIONS

##### Mr. Jackman:

1. What has been the profit or loss on operations of the Bank of Canada in each of the years since its inception?

2. What was the rate of profit in each year expressed as a percentage of paid up capital?

3. How much has been retained by the bank as a reserve and how much has been paid over to the consolidated revenue fund?

##### Mr. Belzile: Return tabled.

##### ROUYN-NORANDA, VAL D'OR AND MONTREAL AIR SERVICE

##### Mr. Caouette:

1. Have any airline companies applied for the establishment of a plane service between Rouyn-Noranda, Val d'Or and Montreal?

2. If so, what are the names of such companies?

3. Has a franchise been granted for such service?

4. If so, to what company?

5. Has the government granted any sum of money for the construction of air bases?

6. If so, to whom; in what amount and for what bases?