

Starred Questions

3. Yes. Tenders were called on May 2, 1960, to close June 3, 1960.
4. No.

TEACHERS' ISOLATION ALLOWANCES, INDIAN SCHOOLS, NORTHERN ONT.

Question No. 140—Mr. Benidickson:

1. Are isolation allowances paid to teachers at Indian day schools at Sandy Lake and Deer Lake in northern Ontario?
2. If not, for what reason?
3. How far are these locations from the most northern (a) railway; (b) highway?

Hon. Ellen L. Fairclough (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration): The answers are as follows:

1. No.
2. Sandy Lake and Deer Lake were not listed as isolated posts in the isolated posts regulations issued in June, 1958. However, as a result of recent amendments to these regulations these two locations are now classed as isolated posts. When the teachers were appointed to positions at Sandy Lake and Deer Lake in September, 1959, it was stated in their terms of employment that no isolation allowance was payable. Teachers employed by the department are considered under contract; therefore no revision of pay and allowances is made during any contract period. However, in the case of these teachers the present contract period expires in August, 1960, and commencing with the new contract period in September, 1960 they will be eligible for both isolation allowance and living allowance.
3. Sandy Lake is about 200 air miles from the nearest railway at Sioux Lookout and about 120 air miles from Red Lake. Deer Lake is approximately 200 air miles from the nearest railway at Sioux Lookout and approximately 100 air miles from Red Lake.

Mr. Benidickson: Shameful neglect.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE INVESTMENTS AND BORROWINGS

Question No. 141—Mr. Benidickson:

1. (a) What was the aggregate book value and principal amount of investments held by the unemployment insurance commission as of March 31, 1960? (b) what was the book value, principal amount, rate of interest and date of maturity of each of the investments held by the unemployment insurance commission as of March 31, 1960? (c) what change occurred in the position of each of these investments for each month since March 31, 1959?
2. Has the unemployment insurance fund made any borrowings since March 31, 1959? If so, what amounts, on what dates, and at what rate of interest?

[Mr. Hamilton (Notre Dame de Grace).]

Hon. Michael Starr (Minister of Labour): Mr. Speaker, this starred question requires a detailed reply, and I would ask that the hon. member agree to have it made an order for return.

Mr. Martin (Essex East): If there is no delay.

Mr. Benidickson: I hope it will not be neglected.

Mr. Starr: They never are when I have to answer.

Mr. Chevrier: I have waited several months in one instance.

Mr. Speaker: Order for return.

TEACHERS' ISOLATION ALLOWANCES, INDIAN SCHOOLS, NORTHERN ONT.

Question No. 142—Mr. Benidickson:

1. Does the government pay isolation allowances to teachers at Indian day schools at locations situated on a railroad, such as at Moosonee, Ontario, and, if so, how much?
2. When was a day school established at Pikangikum, Ontario?
3. How far is this school from (a) the nearest northern railway; (b) the nearest highway?
4. Has an isolation allowance been paid to the teacher at the Indian school at Pikangikum, Ontario?
5. If not, is it the intention of the Indian affairs branch to pay an isolation allowance to the teacher retroactively to time of engagement, and, if not, for what reason?

Hon. Ellen L. Fairclough (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration): The answers are as follows:

1. Yes, if designated as an isolated post under the isolated posts regulations. Moosonee has been designated an isolated post; an isolation allowance of \$1,140 per annum for a married employee and \$720 per annum for a single employee is payable.

2. The day school at Pikangikum has been operating since 1953. In addition, since 1949 a seasonal school has been operated during the summer months.

3. Pikangikum Indian day school is approximately 140 air miles from the railway station at Sioux Lookout, Ontario, which is believed to be the nearest, and approximately 56 air miles from the nearest road connection at Red Lake, Ontario.

4. No.

5. Pikangikum was not listed as an isolated post in the isolated post regulations issued in June, 1958. However, as a result of recent amendments to these regulations this location is now classed as an isolated post. When the teacher was appointed at Pikangikum on January 1, 1959 it was stated in the terms of employment that no isolation allowance was