

Questions

LOCATION OF CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Question No. 201—Mr. Matheson:

Have principles been established and, if so, what, with respect to the locating of varying types of correctional institutions, and particularly (a) reception areas (b) young offenders' units (c) medical treatment units (d) general institutions?

Answer by: Mr. Bell (Saint John-Albert):

Yes.

(a) part of maximum security installation; if possible central to major sentencing courts;

(b) (i) rural setting but reasonably close to a large centre of population.

(ii) as central as possible to the area to be served.

(c) central to correctional institutions to be served; availability of specialists staff;

(d) community acceptance; good communications; community amenities for staff; reasonable proximity to large centres of population; availability of services.

INJURIES TO PENITENTIARY GUARDS

Question No. 203—Mr. Matheson:

1. What progress has been made to ascertain the person or persons responsible for the killing of a guard at Kingston penitentiary in 1961?

2. How many inmates and how many guards were injured by acts of violence in Kingston penitentiary each month since December 31, 1960?

3. Were inmates seriously injured by acts of violence in the months of September and October 1962, and, if so, what are the facts in each case, who was responsible, and what steps have been taken to prevent future recurrences?

Answer by: Mr. Bell (Saint John-Albert):

1. All evidence is in the hands of the police who are continuing their investigations. So far, apparently, the evidence is insufficient to lay charges against anyone.

2.

| | Inmates | Guards |
|-----------------------|---------|--------|
| January 1961: | nil | nil |
| February 1961: | 1 | nil |
| March 1961: | nil | nil |
| April 1961: | nil | nil |
| May 1961: | nil | 1 |
| June 1961: | nil | nil |
| July 1961: | nil | 1 |
| August 1961: | nil | nil |
| September 1961: | 1 | nil |
| October 1961: | 2 | 2 |
| November 1961: | 2 | nil |
| December 1961: | nil | 1 |
| January 1962: | 1 | 2 |
| February 1962: | nil | nil |
| March 1962: | nil | 1 |
| April 1962: | 1 | nil |
| May 1962: | 1 | nil |
| June 1962: | 1 | nil |
| July 1962: | 1 | nil |
| August 1962: | nil | nil |
| September 1962: | 2 | 1 |
| October 1962: | 2 | 1 |

Six of the above attacks on officers were made by psychiatric patients.

3. Of the four inmates injured during September and October 1962, one received lacerations to the face during a fight in the carpenter shop, with no serious injury and the case was routinely dealt with at the warden's court; one received a fractured skull while employed in the kitchen and the attacker has not been determined; one received a stab wound in the abdomen from a yet undetermined patient in the psychiatric unit and the injured inmate in this case has since been committed to a mental hospital; the fourth inmate received facial contusions, which, he claims, occurred through a fall. Inmates will not reveal the identities of their attackers and will rarely co-operate in laying charges. Unless attacks are actually witnessed by the staff, convictions are almost impossible. The staff of Kingston penitentiary is ever vigilant in its attempts to keep outbreaks of violence to a minimum.

*CHAMBLY-ROUVILLE, QUE., APPLE GROWERS

Question No. 213—Mr. Pilon:

1. Is the Minister of Agriculture acquainted with the situation facing the apple growers of the county of Chambly-Rouville which was set forth in the memorandum prepared by the apple growers association of Rougemont?

2. What steps are contemplated by his department to improve the present conditions with respect to imports and exports, including classification and packing, of fruits and by-products thereof?

(Translation):

Mr. Pigeon: Mr. Speaker, no brief on this matter has been received by the Minister of Agriculture.

(Text):

RESTIGOUCHE COUNTY, N.B., NATIONAL PARK

Question No. 214—Mr. Dube:

What arrangements has the government made concerning the requests made by the chambers of commerce and other public bodies in connection with the establishment of a federal recreational park in the county of Restigouche?

Answer by: Mr. Dinsdale:

So far as I have been able to determine, no requests have been received by me or my department from chambers of commerce or other public bodies in connection with the establishment of a federal recreational park in the county of Restigouche. If the hon. member has knowledge of any such representations and could provide me with more specific information, I would be most happy to have the matter looked into.

RESTIGOUCHE COUNTY, N.B.—HARBOUR WORKS

Question No. 215—Mr. Dube:

1. Does the Department of Public Works intend to carry out any improvements to the harbour works in the county of Restigouche during 1962?

2. If so, (a) is it the intention to do any filling