

Questions

were any conditions laid down by the Department of Manpower and Immigration regarding Dr. Saloojee's application?

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Dr. Saloojee's application for admission to Canada as an immigrant was assessed and approved under the same standards used for all immigrants. No special conditions were laid down in his case. Because he was engaged to be married to a person whose application had been refused, both Dr. Saloojee and his fiancée were informed that should he proceed with his plans to migrate, this would result in separation from his fiancée. In addition, he was asked to sign a document which in effect indicated that he had been given this advice and understood its significance.

ADMISSION TO CANADA OF MISS EDNA WILCOX

Question No. 59—**Mr. Nystrom:**

Is Miss Edna Wilcox, of South Africa, being denied admission to Canada and if so, what is meant by the statements of officials of the Department that her admission would not be in the national interest?

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Yes, because she is prohibited for admission to Canada under subsection (1) of section 5 of the Immigration Act.

SUBSIDY TO DAY AND ROSS, TRUCKERS

Question No. 136—**Mr. Skoberg:**

1. What is the present subsidy being paid to the trucking firm Day and Ross, Hartland, N.B., under the Atlantic Region Freight Rate Assistance Act?

2. What are the specific reductions in both its class and commodity rates of the above trucking firm as mentioned in the Department of Transport's news release of October 3, 1969?

3. Have all other trucking firms operating between the Atlantic Region and Central Canada instigated similar rate reductions and, if so, what are the names of these trucking firms and for each, what have been the specific rate reductions?

4. Which trucking companies have not reduced their freight rates?

Mr. Gérard Loiselle (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): The Department of Transport advise as follows: 1. To be answered by the Canadian Transport Commission.

2. The rate reductions are on file with the highway transport boards of Quebec and Ontario and can be obtained from that source.

3 and 4. To be answered by the Canadian Transport Commission.

[Mr. Nystrom.]

The Canadian Transport Commission advise as follows: 1. The present subsidy being paid is that provided for by sub section (2) of Section 3 of the Atlantic Region Freight Assistance Act. As of October 23rd, 1969, \$56,125.43 had been authorized for payment to Day and Ross, Hartland, N.B.

2. To be answered by the Department of Transport.

3. No.

4. Information not available.

NEW JERSEY GUARANTEED ANNUAL INCOME PLAN

Question No. 160—**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):**

1. Has the Department of National Health and Welfare sent any officials or outside consultants to investigate the guaranteed annual income plan introduced in New Jersey in the United States?

2. If so, who are the officials, and what was the specific purpose of their investigation?

3. For what time period were these officials in New Jersey?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1 and 2. The Department has obtained information about the guaranteed annual income plan introduced in New Jersey in the United States. Information about United States developments in social security and other anti-poverty measures is obtained by the Department of National Health and Welfare from government agencies in the United States directly and through the Canadian Embassy in Washington.

Discussions concerning social security and other anti-poverty measures which included the New Jersey pilot project, have taken place between departmental officials and U.S. officials in Washington.

These officials include the following: Dr. R. B. Splane and Mr. L. Shifrin, in December, 1968.

3. Discussions were with officials of the Office of Economic Opportunity and the Department of Health Education and Welfare in Washington. Officials were not in New Jersey.

SOUTH AFRICA—WITHDRAWAL FROM COMMONWEALTH

Question No. 296—**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):**

1. On what date did South Africa withdraw from the Commonwealth?