

2. Has the total grant for the current fiscal year been paid?

3. If not, how much of it has been paid, and when will the balance be paid?

**Mr. Green:** 1. \$12,000.

2. No.

3. \$11,000. The balance will be paid as soon as parliament grants full supply.

UNITED NATIONS INFORMATION CENTRE  
IN CANADA

**Question No. 1,220—Mr. Turner:**

Is there an information centre office of the United Nations in Canada and, if not, has Canada ever applied to the United Nations to open such an office in Canada?

**Mr. Green:** There is no information centre office of the United Nations in Canada. The office of the Queen's printer under an understanding reached with the United Nations acts as exclusive agent for the distribution of United Nations publications in Canada. In view of this mutually satisfactory arrangement Canada has not asked the United Nations to open an information centre office in this country.

\*HOSPITAL INSURANCE PLAN, B.C.

**Question No. 1,223—Mr. McPhillips:**

1. Has the government of the province of British Columbia sought to take greater advantage of the terms of the federal Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Services Act in order that B.C. residents temporarily absent from the province for a period of longer than three months may continue to receive hospital benefits under the provincial plan in the event of emergency?

2. Under present arrangements, would a B.C. resident incurring hospital bills outside his home province after more than three months absence be personally responsible for all such bills?

3. What limitations are imposed by other provinces on out of province benefits?

**Mrs. Casselman:** 1. No. The British Columbia government has at no time sought to take greater advantage of the federal act so as to provide insurance benefits to residents temporarily absent from the province for a period in excess of three months. The hardships imposed on residents of British Columbia through this restriction have been brought to the attention of the British Columbia authorities on a number of occasions.

2. Yes. Unless the British Columbia resident enters the hospital during the first three months of temporary absence, he loses his entitlement and is himself responsible for the payment of hospital services.

3. Although there is a varied pattern of out of province benefits from province to province, all provinces with the exception of British Columbia provide insured services for

residents temporarily absent from the province during a period of one year, subject to the payment of the premium or tax in premium provinces.

*Orders for Returns*

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS  
FOR RETURNS

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS EMPLOYED AS ASSISTANTS,  
CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

**Question No. 1,150—Mr. Rinfret:**

1. In 1961, how many university students at the bachelor degree level were employed during the summer as assistants in customs and excise offices?

2. How many came from the universities of Laval, Montreal, and Sherbrooke or other centres of learning in the province of Quebec?

HISTORICAL SITES APPROVED

**Question No. 1,173—Mr. Badanai:**

How many projects, designated as historical sites, have been approved by the federal government for development or assistance during the years 1959, 1960, 1961, and 1962, giving the locations and the amount spent or approved for each?

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FUND

**Question No. 1,222—Mr. Mather:**

1. What was the total amount in the unemployment insurance fund at the end of each of the fiscal years 1956-57 to 1960-61 inclusive?

2. What were the total payments of unemployment insurance claims during each of these fiscal years?

3. What was the total administrative cost of operating the unemployment insurance service for each of these fiscal years?

4. What was the total income of the unemployment insurance fund during each of the fiscal years 1956-57 to 1960-61 inclusive?

PEAT AND SPRUCE BOG, OTTAWA DISTRICT

**Question No. 1,224—Mr. Herridge:**

1. Does the Mer Bleue peat and spruce bog, southeast of Ottawa, come under the jurisdiction of the national capital commission?

2. Is this bog considered a valuable wildlife sanctuary by spokesmen for the Canadian wildlife service and outstanding Canadian biologists, zoologists and naturalists?

3. Are the national capital commission and the city of Ottawa giving consideration to the use of this bog as a garbage disposal area?

4. What action is the government taking to prevent the destruction of this valuable wildlife sanctuary, which will provide a unique area for research and, in addition, recreational facilities?

MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

DUTIES ON IMPORTED FISH FEED

**Motion No. 50—Mr. Douglas:**

That an order of the house do issue for a copy of all correspondence relative to duties imposed on imported fish feed exchanged between the ministers and/or Departments of Finance and National Revenue, and persons and/or organizations since January 1, 1960.