

Questions

**HIRING PRACTICES, CAPE BRETON
HIGHLANDS PARK**

**Question No. 280—Mr. Muir (Cape Breton
North and Victoria):**

1. Has the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development received a communication dated June 11, 1967, signed by the president and the secretary of branch No. 32, Royal Canadian Legion, Cheticamp, N.S., requesting an immediate investigation concerning hiring practices at the Cape Breton highlands national park and, if so, what was the nature of the reply provided?

2. Was a copy of such a communication received by the Minister of National Health and Welfare and, if so, what was the nature of the reply provided?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):
I am informed by the Departments of Indian Affairs and Northern Development and National Health and Welfare as follows: 1. The Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development received a communication dated June 11, 1967 signed by the president and the secretary of branch no. 32, Royal Canadian Legion concerning the hiring of one man, for whom employment arrangements had already been made and who was taken on staff June 15.

2. Yes, a copy was received by the Minister of National Health and Welfare and in his reply assurance was given that a report on the matter would be sought.

TREATMENT IN VETERANS HOSPITALS

**Question No. 281—Mr. Muir (Cape Breton
North and Victoria):**

1. Since January 1, 1965, what has been the average monthly patient load by classification at Camp Hill hospital, Halifax, Nova Scotia?

2. What priorities are given to the admission of patients at the aforementioned hospital?

3. Did the Minister of Veterans Affairs, on April 24, 1967, when speaking in the House of Commons, make reference to veterans in receipt of war veterans allowance when outlining priorities?

4. Is priority given to treating such veterans and, if not, for what reason?

5. Under what section of veterans treatment regulations is there defined a responsibility for the Department of Veterans Affairs to treat patients referred by other departments of the federal government?

6. Who determined that such persons should have a priority over any class of veteran who may be admitted to a D.V.A. institution under veterans treatment regulations?

7. Were representatives of any veterans' organizations consulted by the federal government before adopting such a policy?

8. Under what sections of veterans treatment regulations are persons other than veterans admitted to D.V.A. institutions where such persons are not the responsibility of a federal government department?

[Mrs. Rideout.]

9. What types of facility or treatment are available in any D.V.A. institution which are not available in non-departmental hospitals in a particular area such as Halifax?

10. How many beds at Camp Hill hospital are held vacant or earmarked for possible admission of non-veterans?

11. How many veterans have been refused admission since January 1, 1965, and in what categories could they have been admitted?

**Hon. Roger Teillet (Minister of Veterans
Affairs):**

1. Classification under treatment regulations	Veterans Average monthly patient load
Sections 5 and 6—treatment for pensioned disability	37
Section 11—treatment of former members of regular forces in Canada during post discharge year for a condition being treated in hospital at the time of discharge from the forces	1
Section 12—treatment for non-pensioned condition of a veteran recipient of war veterans allowance or a veteran who would be a recipient of war veterans allowance if his Old Age Security Pension, including guaranteed income supplement, or that of his wife or both were deducted from his income, and of a person in receipt of an allowance under part XI of the Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act	45
Section 13—treatment for a non-pensioned condition of a veteran with limited income and resources who served overseas and was honourably discharged, or who is in receipt of disability pension	57
Section 15—treatment for venereal disease incurred during service	1
Section 16—treatment where there is uncertainty as to whether it is required for a pension condition	4
Section 18—treatment at the request and expense of Department of National Defence	3
Section 19—treatment at the request and expense of Royal Canadian Mounted Police	2
Section 20—treatment at request and expense of a responsible body	4