

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

The following answers, deposited with the Clerk of the house, are printed in the official report of debates pursuant to standing order 39:

DISABLED PERSONS—REGULATIONS

Question No. 50—Mr. Diefenbaker:

What action, if any, has been taken to make changes in and amendments to the regulations passed under the provisions of the Disabled Persons Act to widen the definition of a "disabled person", to the end that in the administration of the said act the act will be interpreted in accordance with the intention of parliament?

Answer by: Mr. Martin:

The regulations under the Disabled Persons Act were made by the governor in council following discussions between representatives of the federal government and the provincial governments.

Subsection 2 of section 11 of the Disabled Persons Act provides that—"No regulation, by reference to which an agreement with a province has been made, shall be altered except with the consent of the province or in accordance with the regulations to which it has agreed". Agreements with the provinces have been completed and therefore any change in the provisions of the regulations could become operative only with the consent of the provincial governments.

Arrangements have been made to have the federal medical officers connected with the administration of disabled persons allowances meet in Ottawa in February. An invitation to attend the meeting has been extended to medical officers representing the provinces.

When federal and provincial authorities have the results of the discussions among the medical officers further consideration will be given to the present interpretation given by the regulations to the expression "totally and permanently disabled."

MIDDLESEX COUNTY, ONT.—RURAL MAIL ROUTES

Question No. 67—Mr. White (Middlesex East):

1. How many rural mail routes have been extended in the county of Middlesex, in each of the years 1952-55 inclusive?

2. What routes have been extended during that period?

3. What is the increased mileage in each route extended, during the above mentioned years?

4. How many rural mail couriers have received extra mileage pay for the increased mileage covered?

Answer (amended) by: Mr. Lapointe:

1. 1952, 4; 1953, 17; 1954, 31; 1955, 25.

2 and 3. 1952—London R.R. No. 6, 1.4 miles; Melbourne R.R. No. 2, 1.2 miles; Mount Brydges R.R. No. 5, 1.0 miles; Wilton Grove R.R. No. 1, 1.4 miles.

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1953—Denfield R.R. No. 1, 2.4 miles; Denfield R.R. No. 2, 1.2 miles; Denfield R.R. No. 3, 2.4 miles; Dorchester Station R.R. No. 1, 0.8 mile; Glencoe R.R. No. 2, 0.4 mile; Ilderton R.R. No. 1, 1.2 miles; Ilderton R.R. No. 2, 0.8 mile; Ilderton R.R. No. 3, 2.0 miles; Ilderton R.R. No. 4, 1.2 miles; Kerwood R.R. No. 2, 4.0 miles; Komoka R.R. No. 2, 1.0 mile; Komoka R.R. No. 4, 1.0 mile; Lambeth R.R. No. 3, 1.0 mile; London R.R. No. 5, 1.8 miles; London R.R. No. 6, 0.4 mile; London R.R. No. 10, 1.0 mile; Strathroy R.R. No. 7, 1.2 miles.

1954—Arva R.R. No. 1, 1.6 miles; Clandeboye R.R. No. 1, 1.8 miles; Denfield R.R. No. 1, 1.4 miles; Denfield R.R. No. 2, 0.6 mile; Denfield R.R. No. 3, 0.8 mile; Dorchester Station R.R. No. 2, 1.6 miles; Glencoe R.R. No. 1, 1.6 miles; Glencoe R.R. No. 2, 1.6 miles; Granton R.R. No. 3, 1.8 miles; Hyde Park Corner R.R. No. 1, 2.4 miles; Ilderton R.R. No. 1, 2.3 miles; Ilderton R.R. No. 2, 4.6 miles; Komoka R.R. No. 2, 1.0 mile; London R.R. No. 1, 0.4 mile; London R.R. No. 3, 1.6 miles; London R.R. No. 5, 2.6 miles; London R.R. No. 6, 0.9 mile; London R.R. No. 7, 1.5 miles; London R.R. No. 8, 0.6 mile; London R.R. No. 9, 1.0 mile; London R.R. No. 10, 0.4 mile; Lucan R.R. No. 1, 1.0 mile; Mossley R.R. No. 2, 0.8 mile; Mount Brydges R.R. No. 1, 0.4 mile; Newbury R.R. No. 1, 0.6 mile; Park Hill R.R. No. 8, 0.6 mile; Strathroy R.R. No. 5, 1.4 miles; Strathroy R.R. No. 6, 0.8 mile; Thorndale R.R. No. 4, 0.8 mile; Wardsville R.R. No. 2, 1.0 mile; Wilton Grove R.R. No. 2, 2.8 miles.

1955—Arva R.R. No. 1, 1.0 mile; Byron R.R. No. 1, 8.9 miles; Clandeboye R.R. No. 1, 0.6 mile; Denfield R.R. No. 1, 1.8 miles; Denfield R.R. No. 2, 1.4 miles; Denfield R.R. No. 4, 0.8 mile; Dorchester Station R.R. No. 1, 3.2 miles; Dorchester Station R.R. No. 2, 5.4 miles; Hyde Park Corner R.R. No. 1, 1.0 mile; Ilderton R.R. No. 1, 1.8 miles; Ilderton R.R. No. 2, 3.0 miles; Ilderton R.R. No. 3, 1.2 miles; Komoka R.R. No. 3, 0.6 mile; Komoka R.R. No. 4, 0.4 mile; London R.R. No. 3, 1.0 mile; London R.R. No. 5, 4.6 miles; London R.R. No. 7, 1.4 miles; London R.R. No. 8, 1.6 miles; London R.R. No. 9, 1.0 mile; Mount Brydges R.R. No. 4, 0.8 mile; Newbury R.R. No. 3, 1.6 miles; Park Hill R.R. No. 2, 1.4 miles; Strathroy R.R. No. 3, 2.2 miles; Strathroy R.R. No. 5, 1.4 miles; Wilton Grove R.R. No. 1, 0.4 mile.

4. All contractors of extended routes received additional payment at *pro rata* for the increased mileage.