

Questions

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS—PENSIONS

Mr. Knowles:

1. How many retired employees of the Canadian National Railways are in receipt of pensions of less than \$25 per month?

2. How many are in receipt of only the basic pension of \$25 per month?

3. How many are in receipt of non-contributory service pensions (a) \$25.01 to \$29.99 per month; (b) \$30 to \$39.99 per month; (c) \$40 to \$49.99 per month; (d) \$50 to \$59.99 per month; (e) \$60 to \$69.99 per month; (f) \$70 to \$79.99 per month; (g) \$80.00 to \$89.99 per month; (h) \$90 to \$99.99 per month; (i) \$100 or over per month?

4. How many retired employees of the Canadian National Railways are in receipt of pensions in part basic and in part contributory (a) \$25.01 to \$29.99 per month; (b) \$30 to \$39.99 per month; (c) \$40 to \$49.99 per month; (d) \$50 to \$59.99 per month; (e) \$60 to \$69.99 per month; (f) \$70 to \$79.99 per month; (g) \$80 to \$89.99 per month; (h) \$90 to \$99.99 per month; (i) \$100 or over per month?

Mr. Chevrier: The Canadian National Railways advise as follows:

1. Thirty-one under C.N.R. prior plan.

2. 2,952.

3. (a) \$25.01 to \$29.99 per month, 845; (b) \$30 to \$39.99 per month, 655; (c) \$40 to \$49.99 per month, 347; (d) \$50 to \$59.99 per month, 234; (e) \$60 to \$69.99 per month, 155; (f) \$70 to \$79.99 per month, 107; (g) \$80 to \$89.99 per month, 63; (h) \$90 to \$99.99 per month, 48; (i) \$100 or over per month, 121—Total 2,575.

4. (a) \$25.01 to \$29.99 per month, 450; (b) \$30 to \$39.99 per month, 2,064; (c) \$40 to \$49.99 per month, 1,588; (d) \$50 to \$59.99 per month, 1,135; (e) \$60 to \$69.99 per month, 896; (f) \$70 to \$79.99 per month, 751; (g) \$80 to \$89.99 per month, 652; (h) \$90 to \$99.99 per month, 513; (i) \$100 or over per month, 1,806—Total, 9,855.

Mr. Knowles:

1. What is the total number of persons employed by the Canadian National Railways?

2. Of these, how many are eligible to contribute toward a supplemental pension in addition to the basic pension of \$25 per month to which they will be entitled on retirement at age 65?

3. How many are now contributing toward such a supplemental pension?

4. How many Canadian National Railways employees, upon retirement, will qualify, according to their present status for non-contributory service pensions?

5. How many employees now working for the Canadian National Railways will be entitled on retirement, according to their present status, to only the basic pension of \$25 per month?

6. Is the basic pension of \$25 per month available to all employees, and, if so, on what conditions?

Mr. Chevrier: The Canadian National Railways advise as follows:

1. On Canadian lines at December 31, 1949, 103,939.

2. All except temporary employees and those who commenced after age fifty-five and those who are now contributing to other

railway pension funds, viz.: 5,091 contributors to Intercolonial provident fund and 18 contributors to Grand Trunk Railway superannuation fund.

3. Contributors to C.N.R. pension plan, 37,702; contributors to I.C.R. and P.E.I. provident fund, 5,091; contributors to G.T.R. superannuation and provident fund association, 18.

4. Service pensions are payable to employees who entered the service before attaining age fifty who at December 31, 1934, had at least ten years' allowable service and at age sixty-five have at least fifteen years' allowable service. It is not possible to say how many employees will meet these requirements.

5. There is no record of the number of employees who on retirement will be entitled to only the basic pension of \$25 per month. Approximately only 35 per cent of eligible employees are contributing to a supplementary pension.

6. Basic pensions are payable to: (a) employees who entered the service before December 31, 1934, who had less than ten years' allowable service at that date and who have at least fifteen years' allowable service at age sixty-five; (b) employees who entered the service after December 31, 1934, at not over age forty-five and who at age sixty-five have at least twenty years' allowable service.

VETERANS AFFAIRS—ASSAULTS ON OFFICIALS

Mr. Fulton:

1. Was a D.V.A. official shot and wounded by a veteran of the first world war at Port Arthur recently?

2. If so, what are the names of the official and the veteran concerned?

3. Is the veteran in receipt of a disability pension? If so, for what disabilities and what degree of disability in each case?

4. What was the subject of discussion, or the ostensible purpose of the visit, between the veteran and the D.V.A. official on this occasion?

5. Has the minister or the department any information as to the grievance which caused the veteran to act as he did? If so, what are the facts in this connection?

6. How many assaults with or without shooting have been made on D.V.A. or Canadian pension commission officials by veterans since the end of the war in 1945, and where did these take place?

Mr. Mutch:

1. Yes.

2. C. H. H. Moss; A. J. N. Gagnon.

3. No.

4. Discussion with respect to the reinstatement of war veterans allowance.

5. Yes. War veterans allowance was approved at the maximum permissive single rate of \$40.41 per month, effective July 16,