

Orders for Return

[Translation]

Hon. Bryce Mackasey (Minister of Labour):

Fiscal Year	*Number of Applications
1961/62	2,373,921
1962/63	2,144,321
1963/64	1,946,574
1964/65	1,830,802
1965/66	1,589,163
1966/67	1,619,786
1967/68	1,887,429
1968/69	1,845,559
1969/70	1,930,495
1970/71	2,307,212

*These figures include initial and renewal claims. Statistics concerning applications filed by males or females are not kept separately.

[English]

RCMP RECRUITMENT

Question No. 2,117—**Mr. Robinson:**

Has there been any increase in the past three years in the number of recruits for Royal Canadian Mounted Police and, if so, how many have been recruited?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Solicitor General): There was an increase in the 1970/71 fiscal year over the previous three fiscal years, which is reflected in the figures hereunder:

Fiscal year	Recruits engaged
1967/68	819
1968/69	814
1969/70	643
1970/71	844

NUMBER OF DEATH SENTENCES COMMUTED SINCE 1967

Question No. 2,129—**Mr. Robinson:**

Since December 1967, how many convicted criminals have had their death sentence commuted to life imprisonment and how many, if any, have been paroled?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Solicitor General): Since December 1967, 20 convicted criminals have had their death sentence commuted to life imprisonment and none of these has been paroled to date. This figure includes 17 who had been convicted and sentenced to death prior to December 29, 1967.

NUMBER OF DEATH SENTENCES COMMUTED IN EACH YEAR 1961 to 1971

Question No. 2,130—**Mr. Robinson:**

How many convicted criminals have had their death sentence commuted to life imprisonment in each year 1961 to 1970 inclusive and 1971 to date?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Solicitor General): 1961, 10; 1962, 2; 1963, 6; 1964, 3; 1965, 7; 1966, 5; 1967, 4; 1968, 17; 1969, 1; 1970, 1; 1971 to date, 1.

N.B. The figure for 1968 reflects the fact that after the change in the law restricting the cases in which murder was punishable by death, the sentences of those whose

offence would not have been capital under the new legislation were all committed to life imprisonment.

AMOS, QUEBEC—ALTERATIONS TO INDIAN RESIDENCE

Question No. 2,162—**Mr. Laprise:**

Does the government intend to make any improvements or alterations to the residence for Indians in the city of Amos, Quebec, and, if so, on what date and of what nature?

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): There are no immediate plans for any major alterations to the Amos Student Residence. During the past year alterations and major repairs were made to the water system and, at present, the inside of the residence is being painted.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE—APPLICATIONS FROM PEI

Question No. 2,190—**Mr. McQuaid:**

1. How many applications were received for Unemployment Insurance benefits from the Province of Prince Edward Island for each year 1968, 1969 and 1970?

2. Of the applications received for each year, how many were approved?

3. For each year, what amount was paid out in Prince Edward Island for Unemployment Insurance benefits?

Hon. Bryce MacKasey (Minister of Labour): 1. Initial applications received. In 1968/69, 11,122; 1969/70, 10,439; 1970/71, 11,286.

2. Benefit periods established. In 1968/69, 10,053; 1969/70, 9,104; 1970/71, 10,819.

3. Amount of benefit paid. In 1968/69, \$3,852,078; 1969/70, \$3,853,391; 1970/71, \$4,510,024.

STUDY OF FINANCIAL METHODS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT

Question No. 2,198—**Mr. Mather:**

Did the Bank of Canada send a representative to British Columbia to study the financial methods of the British Columbia Government and, if so, is he still in British Columbia and has he made reports to the Bank of Canada?

Hon. E.J. Benson (Minister of Finance): In view of the increasing importance of Vancouver as a financial centre, the Securities Department of the Bank of Canada appointed a Vancouver representative in March, 1968, and has maintained a representative there since that time. The Vancouver representative is in constant touch with developments in financial markets in his area and in the course of his duties maintains close contact with the banking, investment and business communities and with provincial and municipal officials. The Bank of Canada Agent in Vancouver also has broad contacts with the local community and Bank of Canada officers from Ottawa make periodic visits to keep abreast of developments in the area.

QUESTIONS PASSED AS ORDERS FOR RETURNS

PEI—MONEYS PAID TO MEDICAL DOCTORS BY GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS

Question No. 1,712—**Mr. McQuaid:**

For the periods ended March 31, 1970 and March 31, 1971, were any amounts in excess of \$2,000 paid by any department to medi-