

Questions

2. If so, what are these restrictions and when were they imposed?

3. What is the procedure that must now be followed by a commercial carrier and the Department of Transport to obtain weather information from D.E.W. line stations (a) prior to flight departure (b) during flights?

Mr. McLraith: 1. No.

2. N/A.

3. (a) Information may be requested and obtained from Canadian weather information outlets. (b) Obtained by contacting the D.E.W. line site on the appropriate VHF air to ground facility or by reference to the radio range twice hourly broadcast of reports.

STUDY OF CHESAPEAKE BAY CROSSING PROJECT

Question No. 1,640—**Mr. MacLean (Queens):**

1. Has the Department of Public Works made arrangements to study the 17.6 mile combination causeway bridge tunnel crossing Chesapeake bay, which is now in an advanced stage of construction, with a view to determining whether any of the concepts and engineering methods used there would have application in a crossing for Northumberland strait?

2. If not, are plans being made for such a study?

3. Have engineers of the Department of Public Works visited this project to study the problems met, and the methods used to overcome them?

Mr. Badanai: 1. Yes.

2. Answered by No. 1.

3. The department has been observing the progress of this project with keen interest and has studied the plans for it and reports on it. Arrangements have also been made for our engineers to visit the site in the near future.

TRADE MISSIONS TO WEST INDIES

Question No. 1,646—**Mr. Macquarrie:**

1. Since May 1962, have trade missions been sent to any of the islands in the British West Indies (Antigua, Barbados, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, St. Kitts-Nevis-Anguilla, St. Lucia, St. Vincent)?

2. What special assistance, economic, technical or administrative, has been extended to these islands?

Mr. Pickersgill: 1. The Canadian trade mission to the Caribbean (appliances and housewares) concludes its business in Trinidad this week, after visiting Jamaica and Barbados. No other Canadian trade mission has visited Barbados or the other islands listed since May 1962.

This trade mission comprised 15 Canadian exporters of consumer goods, particularly electrical appliances, hardware and cutlery, plastic housewares and stationery. It was organized by the Department of Trade and Commerce in co-operation with the Canadian electrical manufacturers association.

2. Under the Canadian bilateral program of grant aid for the commonwealth countries and territories of the Caribbean area, both project assistance and technical assistance have been provided since May 1962 to the

islands listed. The projects are: (a) a deep water wharf and warehouse project for the island of St. Vincent was started in 1962 and is scheduled to be completed early in 1964; (b) a quantity of port handling equipment is in the process of being purchased for the islands of Barbados, Grenada, St. Vincent, Dominica and St. Kitts; (c) during the present fiscal year, construction is scheduled to commence on primary schools in Grenada, Antigua and Dominica, and on port warehouses in St. Lucia and St. Kitts; (d) the drilling and developing of fresh water wells is currently being carried out in the islands of St. Kitts, Nevis, Anguilla and Montserrat; (e) a forest survey for the island of Dominica was completed in the summer of 1962.

Under technical assistance arrangements, students have been trained in Canada and Canadian teachers sent to the islands as shown in the following table:

Country	Students in Canada since May 1962	Canadian teachers in area since May 1962
Antigua	9	2
Barbados	13	1
Dominica	7	3
Grenada	9	3
Montserrat	5	1
St. Kitts	2	1
St. Lucia	2	1
St. Vincent	8	1

FOLLOW-UP PROGRAMS FOR MENTAL PATIENTS

Question No. 1,655—**Mr. Orlikow:**

Will the government give consideration to offering financial incentives to public health departments that employ public health nurses or social workers in order to promote home community follow-up programs for patients discharged from mental hospitals?

Miss LaMarsh: Federal financial assistance is already provided annually under the terms of the national health grants in support of the development and operation of community public health and mental health programs which employ public health nurses and social workers.

With considerable variation from province to province, patients discharged from provincial mental institutions are visited and followed up under such programs. It would be quite in order for a province to submit further projects under the national health grants for the purpose of extending follow-up programs for patients discharged from mental hospitals.

CF-104 PLANE LOSSES AND REPLACEMENTS

Question No. 1,658—**Mr. Lambert:**

1. Since putting into use of the CF-104 Starfighter by the R.C.A.F., how many such aircraft have been