

Questions

during the summer months as student assistants at the student assistants' rates of pay. Those who agree to teach for Indian affairs branch for a minimum of one year receive further assistance. Their transportation to and from university and their tuition fees are paid by the branch. Provision was made for ten such bursaries for the fiscal year 1967-68. The average yearly cost per pupil is \$2,000.

The government of the Northwest Territories provides grants and loans to any high school graduate in the Northwest Territories who wishes to attend university or a teacher training school and can qualify for admission. Because it is a territorial program and not limited to the training of teachers, neither the numbers of people to be trained nor the cost can be determined.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE OF INDIAN CHILDREN

Question No. 169—**Mr. Orlikow:**

1. How many Indian children attend schools, elementary and secondary, and how many of these attend (a) purely Indian schools (b) integrated schools?

2. How does the percentage of Indian students attending schools, elementary and secondary, compare with the percentage of the whole population attending elementary and secondary schools?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): 1. The enrolment of Indian children as of January 1967, was as follows:

Elementary schools	51,431
Secondary schools	5,770
	sub-total
Grade unknown	57,201
	7,238
	grand total
	64,439

The 7,238 students for whom grades are unknown represent children who are living off reserve and attending provincial schools for whom details are not available.

Of the 64,439, 31,498 attended schools operated by the Indian affairs branch and 32,941 attended integrated schools.

2. Of the 57,201, the percentage of Indian students attending elementary schools is 90 per cent while the percentage attending secondary schools is 10 per cent. The percentage of the school population in Canada attending elementary schools is 74 per cent while the percentage attending secondary schools is 26 per cent.

[Mr. Laing.]

USE OF POISON GAS IN NORTHERN YEMEN

Question No. 199—**Mr. Ormiston:**

Has the government of Canada received any report or evidence of the alleged dropping of poison gas by the United Arab Republic on northern Yemen, since January 1, 1967?

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): 1. The government has received reports on the alleged dropping of poison gas on northern Yemen. The Secretary General of the United Nations circulated on April 6, 1967 an exchange of communications between himself and the deputy permanent representative of Saudi Arabia to the United Nations as security council document S/7842. In this document Ambassador Baroody of Saudi Arabia alleges that United Arab Republic aircraft subjected an area of northern Yemen to a lethal gas raid.

In addition, on June 2, 1967, the international committee of the Red Cross in Geneva released a report which stated that a medical team, led by the head of the I.C.R.C. mission in the Yemen, had on May 15 and 16 visited a village in North Yemen, where, according to the survivors, many inhabitants of the village had died of asphyxiation after a bombing attack some days earlier. The report also stated that the Red Cross team had found various indications pointing to the use of poison gas. The United Arab Republic has not admitted the use of gas in any attacks in North Yemen.

The Canadian government does not have any official representation in the Yemen and is not, therefore, in a position to assess, on the basis of its own sources, the information contained in the reports noted above.

WATER SUPPLY, SPRINGHILL PENAL INSTITUTION

Question No. 202—**Mr. Coates:**

On what date was a satisfactory water supply secured for the young offenders penal institution at Springhill, Nova Scotia?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): A water supply was secured for the initial needs in January, 1967. On May 29, 1967, after testing well No. 4, the water supply was proven satisfactory for all future needs.

FEDERAL RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
IN QUEBECQuestion No. 215—**Mr. Allard:**

1. How much more or how much less did the federal government pay out than it received in the