

government. In light of the fact you have raised a question about the bill, I wonder whether we might let it stand and consider it on another day?

Mr. Speaker: Perhaps the hon. member might want to reflect on the suggestion I have made. I will hear him if he wants to submit a procedural argument tomorrow, and I will make my ruling at that time. For the moment, the bill will not put for first reading.

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

UIC INTERVIEWERS

Question No. 14—**Mr. Marshall:**

1. Are all UIC offices in Canada now manned by skilled, trained interviewers and, if so, how many of these interviewers are allocated to various offices?
2. How is it intended to service remote and isolated areas where unemployed are removed by long distances from UIC offices?
3. Will the trained interviewers be available to counsel the unemployed employables in order to assist them to fit into society?

Hon. Bryce Mackasey (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): 1. All UIC District Offices and Service Centres are manned with Claimant Assistance guidance officers. The number in each office varies from 1 to 12, dependent upon the estimated claim load.

2. It is intended to service remote areas by means of itinerant visits by guidance officers from District Offices and Service Centres. The frequency of these visits will be determined by the number of claimants requesting Claimant Assistance interviews.

3. The Claimant Assistance Program was established to provide assistance to U.I. claimants, however, guidance is made available to individual on a request basis from either Canada Manpower Centre or social welfare agencies.

UIC—WORK INDUSTRY RECORDS

Question No. 16—**Mr. Marshall:**

What records are now to be kept at UIC offices on the work history and educational and training qualifications of the unemployed?

Hon. Bryce Mackasey (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Information kept by UIC offices on the work history and educational and training qualifications of the unemployed consist of that listed on the "Application for Benefit", and "Employment Status Questionnaire" completed by each claimant when requesting U.I. benefits.

UIC—CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION ON CLAIMANTS

Question No. 17—**Mr. Marshall:**

Is the confidential information on claimants made available to other branches of the UIC and, if not (a) for what reason (b) in

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what way may a claimant be assisted if jobs meeting his or her qualifications are available in another city?

Hon. Bryce Mackasey (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): The only confidential information available under the Claimant Assistance Program is that provided to the guidance officers by claimants during CAP interviews. This information is not made available to any other branch of UIC. (a) In order that a realistic appraisal of a claimant's employment and related problems can be made, it is essential that the claimant be put at ease and have the utmost confidence in the guidance officer. To achieve this, he is assured that anything he may say will be held in the strictest confidence within the Claimant Assistance Branch. (b) By referral to a Canada Manpower Centre.

PUBLIC SERVICE SUPERANNUATION ACCOUNT

Question No. 29—**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):**

1. What was the total amount of money in the Public Service Superannuation Account as at (a) March 31, 1969 (b) March 31, 1970 (c) March 31, 1971?
2. What rate of interest has the government paid for the use of this money during the fiscal years ending on the dates noted above?
3. What amount of interest was credited to the Public Service Superannuation Account during the fiscal years ending (a) March 31, 1969 (b) March 31, 1970 (c) March 31, 1971?
4. What was the total amount paid out of the Public Service Superannuation Account during the fiscal years ending (a) March 31, 1969 (b) March 31, 1970 (c) March 31, 1971?

Hon. C. M. Drury (President of the Treasury Board): 1. The amount credited to the Public Service Superannuation Account as of: (a) March 31, 1969, \$3,178,376,807; (b) March 31, 1970, \$3,695,308,333; (c) March 31, 1971, \$4,097,595,197.

2. Interest was paid on this account at the rate of 1.0000 per cent per quarter up until the quarter ending June 30, 1969. T.B. Minute 692055 dated September 25, 1969 amended section 35 of the Public Service Superannuation Regulations, and the actual interest rates subsequent to this date were as follows: Quarter ending September 30, 1969, 1.2416 per cent; quarter ending December 31, 1969, 1.2575 per cent; quarter ending March 31, 1970, 1.2868 per cent; quarter ending June 30, 1970, 1.3174 per cent; quarter ending September 30, 1970, 1.3262 per cent; quarter ending December 31, 1970, 1.3427 per cent; quarter ending March 31, 1971, 1.3597 per cent.

3. The total amount of interest credited to the Public Service Superannuation Account during the fiscal year ending: (a) March 31, 1969, \$117,950,358; (b) March 31, 1970, \$130,993,152; (c) March 31, 1971, \$147,693,942.

4. The total amount paid out of the Public Service Superannuation Fund during the fiscal year ending: (a) March 31, 1969, \$86,964,343; (b) March 31, 1970, \$95,880,827; (c) March 31, 1971, \$107,680,817.

Note: The total annual amounts being credited to the Account which include interest are set to be just sufficient to meet estimated future obligations under the Act.