

## Questions

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

The following answers, deposited with the Clerk of the house, are printed in the official report of debates pursuant to standing order 39:

MR. DACOUGNA, FRENCH GUIANA—  
IMMIGRANT STATUS

Question No. 124—Mr. Argue:

1. Was Mr. Dacouagna of French Guiana, who sought entry to Canada on September 22, 1960, considered to be a non-bona fide immigrant or non-immigrant?

2. If so, on what grounds?

Answer by: Hon. Ellen L. Fairclough (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration):

1 and 2. Mr. Dacouagna was ordered deported on the grounds that he was not, in the opinion of the special inquiry officer, a bona fide non-immigrant. (See section 5(p) of the Immigration Act.) At the time of his arrival in Canada he had insufficient funds to maintain himself for more than a few days. He gave several different reasons for coming to Canada, including one that he was seeking medical treatment (for which he did not have the funds to pay), and another that he was intending to marry a resident of Canada. His intended fiancée was known to him only through correspondence. Two previous applications for his permanent admission to Canada had been refused, on the grounds that he did not come within the admissible classes of immigrants whose admission is authorized by the Immigration Act and regulations. From the evidence given at the inquiry, the special inquiry officer came to the conclusion that, if Mr. Dacouagna were allowed temporary entry to Canada, he might then seek to remain here. On these grounds, since Mr. Dacouagna was not in the opinion of the special inquiry officer a bona fide non-immigrant, deportation was ordered.

NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE—  
UNPLACED APPLICANTS

Question No. 143—Mr. McIlraith:

How many unplaced applicants were registered with the national employment service on the last date for which the information is available in each of the following cities:—Sydney, N.S.; Halifax, N.S.; Saint John, N.B.; Montreal, Que.; Vancouver, B.C.; Edmonton, Alta.; Calgary, Alta.; Winnipeg, Man.; Port Arthur-Fort William, Ont.; Toronto, Ont.; Hamilton, Ont.; Windsor, Ont.?

Answer by: Hon. Michael Starr (Minister of Labour):

Number of persons registered for employment at local offices of the national employment service on March 16, 1961.

Local Office	Number Registered
Sydney, N.S. ....	6,888
Halifax, N.S. ....	6,976
Saint John, N.B. ....	3,586
Montreal, P.Q. ....	90,646
Vancouver, B.C. ....	37,763
Edmonton, Alta. ....	21,187
Calgary, Alta. ....	13,467
Winnipeg, Man. ....	28,613
Port Arthur, Ont. ....	6,422
Fort William, Ont. ....	4,248
Toronto, Ont. ....	65,339
Hamilton, Ont. ....	20,806
Windsor, Ont. ....	11,976

C.N.R. AUTOMATIC YARD CONSTRUCTION

Question No. 145—Mr. Badanai:

1. How many automatic yards are being built by the Canadian National Railways?
2. What are the locations of these yards?
3. What is the cost of each?
4. How many men will these yards displace?

Answer by: Hon. Leon Balcer (Minister of Transport):

The management of Canadian National Railways advise as follows:

1. Four.
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Location	Estimated cost (millions)
Moncton .....	\$15.0 (includes diesel shop)
Montreal .....	32.2 (includes diesel shop)
Toronto .....	43.0 (includes diesel shop and proposed freight shed)
Winnipeg .....	24.2 (includes diesel shop)

4. The yards are being constructed to provide faster and better service to customers through greater efficiency in operations with the objective of producing increased railway traffic volume, which would, of course, maintain or enlarge employment opportunities. As each yard nears completion, yard masters, yard foremen, switch tenders and clerical forces are being retrained in the new skills required. When the yards are fully operational, adjustments will occur some of which will be taken care of by normal attrition. At the same time, retraining measures are being undertaken to provide, wherever possible, alternate employment. Therefore, the displacements which may actually occur are not immediately ascertainable.

D.B.S.—LABOUR STATISTICS—JOINT MONTHLY  
RELEASE

Question No. 152—Mr. Pitman:

1. Has there been any change in the distribution of the joint monthly release of the Department of Labour and the dominion bureau of statistics over the last six months?