

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

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UNEMPLOYMENT FIGURES, BRITISH COLUMBIA

Question No. 76—Mr. Christian:

1. How many are registered as unemployed in the province of British Columbia at the present time?
2. What were the figures covering those registered as unemployed in the said province one year ago?

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

1. Information available from reports of local offices of the unemployment insurance commission pertains to the Pacific region which comprises the Yukon Territory and all but the northeastern portion of the province of British Columbia. As at September 19, 1957, the number of persons registered for employment at local offices in the Pacific region was 29,837.

2. The figure for the comparable date, September 20, 1956, was 15,619.

NATIONAL DEFENCE—REDUCTIONS IN EXPENDITURE ON TRAINING

Question No. 100—Mr. MacEachen:

1. What is the estimated reduction in national defence department spending resulting from the decision to cut the training days of the militia from sixty days to forty days?
2. What will this reduction amount to in respect to the eastern command?

Answer by: Hon. G. R. Pearkes (Minister of National Defence):

1. Since the major portion of the cost for the militia training year commencing September 1, 1957, will be included in the 1958-59 estimates which have not yet been finalized, it is not possible at this time to supply the figures requested.

2. Answered by No. 1.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS, ALBERTA

Question No. 108—Mr. Hansell:

How many individuals are drawing unemployment insurance benefits at the present date in each of the employment districts of the province of Alberta?

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

The latest figures available representing the local office areas of the province of Alberta are those of September 30, 1957, which are as follows:

Blairmore	361
Calgary	2,024
Dawson	172
Drumheller	471
Edmonton	3,297
Edson	186
Lethbridge	368
Medicine Hat	297
Red Deer	255
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R.C.A.F.—TRAINING SCHOOLS AND STRENGTH

Question No. 115—Mr. Hansell:

1. How many air training schools are now operating in Canada, and where are they located?
2. Which of these air training schools are training air personnel for NATO?
3. What is the present strength of the Royal Canadian Air Force (a) in training; (b) on service?

Answer by: Hon. G. R. Pearkes (Minister of National Defence):

1. (a) 9; (b) primary flying training school, R.C.A.F. station, Centralia, Ont.; 2 flying training school, R.C.A.F. station, Moose Jaw, Sask.; 3 flying training school, R.C.A.F. station, Claresholm, Alta.; 4 flying training school, R.C.A.F. station, Penhold, Alta.; 1 advanced flying school, R.C.A.F. station, Saskatoon, Sask.; 2 advanced flying school, R.C.A.F. station, Portage la Prairie, Man.; 3 advanced flying school, R.C.A.F. station, Gimli, Man.; 4 advanced flying school, R.C.A.F. station, Macdonald, Man.; air observer school, R.C.A.F. station, Winnipeg, Man.

2. Air crew from NATO countries are being trained at all the above schools.

3. As of 30 September, 1957: (a) 5,825; (b) 45,435.