

## Questions

*Answer by: Hon. Henri Courtemanche (Secretary of State):*

1. Yes, where the subjects of study are related to the needs of the civil service.

2. Leave may be provided without pay, at half pay and, in a few instances, at full pay, depending on the circumstances which exist in relation to the requirement of the civil service for the training in question.

3. A scholarship leading to a master's degree in public administration at the Maxwell school of Syracuse University was advertised throughout the service in March 1958, and not in August, 1958. An employee in the Department of National Defence was awarded the scholarship by Syracuse University and was granted leave by that department.

4. (a) and (b) Leave with half pay was authorized for the period July 28, 1958 to June 23, 1959. (c) The civil service commission did not recommend employees for this

scholarship. Applications were sent by the candidates to the Maxwell school of Syracuse University and the selection was made by that institution.

5. The employee withdrew from the program in August, 1958. The reason given by the employee for his withdrawal was his inability to find suitable accommodation for his family in Syracuse at a reasonable cost.

6. The commission does not recommend that employees take up studies in other than Canadian universities. As a normal practice, the civil service commission does not approve leave to employees to attend universities outside of Canada when equivalent courses are available in this country.

7. Where a financial obligation is assumed by government departments, it is by the partial payment of salary to the employee while he is on leave or, in a few instances, by full payment of salary.

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