

Questions

WAR SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

Mr. Cavers:

1. What is the amount of war savings certificates which remains unclaimed at the present time?
2. Has the office of the inspector of war savings certificates a list of the holders thereof?
3. What attempts are being made to call in the certificates which are passed due and have not been cashed?

Mr. Benidickson:

1. The amount of unpaid matured war savings certificates outstanding on February 14, 1954, was \$16,360,080.
2. The registrar of war savings certificates has a record of the registered owners of all war savings certificates.
3. As the last maturity date of war savings certificates is April 15, 1954, no action has been taken as yet to advise the holders of unredeemed certificates that they should present their certificates for redemption. As a large proportion of the certificates was sold on the payroll deduction plan the registrar has no record of the addresses of the registered

holders of certificates purchased in this manner. Consideration will be given shortly after April 15, 1954, to some method of informing holders that all certificates have matured and should be presented for redemption.

WAR VETERANS ALLOWANCE

Mr. Balcom:

1. What is the number of veterans in each province who are in receipt of war veterans allowance?
2. What is the number of widows in each province who are in receipt of war veterans allowance?
3. What is the annual liability of veterans allowance, by provinces?
4. What is the annual liability of widows' allowance, by provinces?

Mr. Bennett:

Return at December 31, 1953:

Statistics are maintained by districts of the Department of Veterans Affairs. The following table shows the location of the 18 district offices in Canada.

1, 2, 3 and 4.

	Veterans		Widows	
	Number	Annual Liability	Number	Annual Liability
		\$		\$
St. John's, Newfoundland.....	618	541,322	125	86,468
Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island.....	431	318,940	72	49,742
Halifax, Nova Scotia.....	2,041	1,513,521	565	347,445
Saint John, New Brunswick.....	1,459	1,129,648	359	209,453
Quebec, Quebec.....	445	333,091	142	94,119
Montreal, Quebec.....	2,465	1,652,512	1,191	657,768
Ottawa, Ontario.....	896	587,451	360	198,205
Kingston, Ontario.....	798	569,283	287	149,586
Toronto, Ontario.....	4,297	2,638,756	2,212	1,101,457
Hamilton, Ontario.....	1,247	805,773	667	325,394
London, Ontario.....	1,518	981,634	709	380,954
North Bay, Ontario.....	833	542,718	204	121,729
Winnipeg, Manitoba.....	2,466	1,537,423	841	439,574
Regina, Saskatchewan.....	722	469,398	162	88,057
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.....	794	525,499	168	88,929
Calgary, Alberta.....	947	586,145	303	152,172
Edmonton, Alberta.....	1,054	672,840	262	146,681
Vancouver, British Columbia.....	7,408	4,756,679	1,808	949,465
Total.....	30,439	20,162,633	10,438	5,587,198

FARM LOANS—MARKET GARDENERS

Mr. Knowles:

1. Are market gardeners eligible to obtain loans from the Canadian farm loan board?
 2. If so, under what conditions, and to what extent?
 3. If not, for what reason?
- [Mr. Pickersgill.]

4. Has consideration been given to amending the legislation to make such loans possible?
5. If so, what is the result of such consideration?

Mr. Benidickson:

1. Yes.
2. Under the conditions and to the extent set out in the Canadian Farm Loan Act.
- 3, 4 and 5. Answered by No. 1.