

Questions

formed by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion and the Dominion Bureau of Statistics as follows: 1 and 2. This information was contained in the monthly report, tabled in Parliament on the operation of the Regional Development Act.

3. The directors and executive officers of Mother's Own Bakery Ltd., as at December 31, 1968 were as follows: Armand Cormier, President, 60 Marjorie St., Moncton, N.B.; Simon Bujold, Treasurer, 92 Connaught, Moncton, N.B.; Gilbert Finn, Secretary, St. Anselme, N.B.

4. The company reports no shares held by non-residents, either directly or through intermediate holdings.

5. None.

INCENTIVE GRANT TO TRANSCAN CUSTOM HOMES LIMITED

Question No. 1,478—Mr. Burton:

1. Has the Department of Regional Economic Expansion, under the Regional Incentives Act, authorized or provided an incentive grant to Transcan Custom Homes Ltd., Kenora, Ontario and, if so, what is the amount of the grant.

2. What is the total estimated cost of the project for which the grant was provided and what is the nature of the project and its location?

3. Who are the directors and chief executive officers of Transcan Custom Homes Ltd. and what is the address of each?

4. To what extent is this company non-resident or foreign-owned or controlled?

5. What is the name and country of the known non-resident ownership in this company?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Department of Regional Economic Expansion and the Dominion Bureau of Statistics as follows: 1 and 2. This information was contained in the monthly report, tabled in Parliament on the operation of the Regional Development Act.

3., 4., and 5. Transcan Compact Homes Ltd. was incorporated in Ontario April 29, 1968. The corporate name was changed to Transcan Custom Homes Ltd., September 22, 1969. They have not yet been required to file the appropriate returns under the Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act from which the answer to the question might be derived by virtue of recent incorporation.

GARNISHEEING OF OLD AGE SECURITY CHEQUES

Question No. 1,493—Mr. Stewart (Marquette):

1. How many recipients of Old Age Security in the present fiscal year have had their cheques

[Mr. Forest.]

garnisheed by the Department of National Health and Welfare to recover benefit payments under the Act which they decided they were not entitled to, and in how many of these instances was (a) the total amount of the Old Age Security pension garnisheed (b) more than 50 per cent of the Old Age Security pension recovered by the Department?

2. In the fiscal years 1967-68 and 1968-69, what were the totals and what number in each year had to forfeit (a) the total pension (b) more than 50 per cent of their Old Age Security cheques?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1 and 2. Old Age Security statistics are not maintained in such a way as to make it possible to provide this information.

Mr. Paproski: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. You have asked us to put many of our questions on the Order Paper. We have complied with your request and have done so. I notice that today there are about 116 pages of unanswered questions, constituting a booklet about as thick as the Ottawa telephone directory. I am told the number is the largest in 20 years. Surely you should be able to do something about the contemptuous way that the government treats written questions.

Mr. Speaker: Order. I trust that the hon. member is not suggesting that it is the responsibility of the Chair to see that questions are answered. The Chair has noted the submissions of the hon. member, and if there is any way that the Chair can assist in remedying the difficulty to which he points I will do what I can.

*P.E.I. BUDGET SUBMITTED UNDER DEVELOPMENT PLAN 1970-71

Question No. 1,550—Mr. McQuaid:

1. Has a proposed budget been submitted by the Province of Prince Edward Island to the Government of Canada with respect to moneys required for the fiscal year 1970-71 under the Development Plan?

2. What are the details proposed in the budget submitted by the Province?

3. Has the whole or any part of this proposed budget been approved by the federal government and, if so, what are the details of the projects approved?

Mr. Martin P. O'Connell (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): 1. No, but a proposed budget has been submitted for the approval of the government of Canada and the province of Prince Edward Island by the joint federal-provincial advisory board for the Prince Edward Island plan.