

Some hon. Members: Agreed.
Motion agreed to.

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. J.-J. Blais (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 3,946, 4,017 to 4,019 inclusive, 4,023 to 4,029 inclusive, 4,108, 4,587, 4,602, 4,604, 4,609 and 4,916.

[Text]

SMALL FARM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Question No. 3,946—**Mr. Mazankowski:**

1. How many (a) Rural Development Officers, (b) Farm Management Consultants are employed by the Department of Agriculture to administer the Small Farm Development Programme and, in each case (i) where are they located (ii) how many are in each location?
2. What are the specific duties of the (a) Rural Development Officers, (b) Farm Management Consultants and, in each case, to whom are they directly responsible?
3. Are their activities monitored to ensure their duties are properly being conducted and fulfilled and, if so, in what manner?
4. What is the aggregate amount spent on an annual basis to cover the costs of the (a) Rural Development Officers, (b) Farm Management Consultants?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): 1.

(a) and (b)(i)	(a)(ii)	(b)(ii)
British Columbia	—	5
Alberta	6	10
New Brunswick	—	1
Prince Edward Island	—	5

2. (a) Under the direction of the Provincial Regional Director, Alberta Department of Agriculture, participates in the planning of and guides and supports the implementation of Rural Development Service activities in the region by: participating in the preparation and co-ordination of overall plans for rural economic development at the regional level; guiding and supporting the activities of the Rural Development Counsellors within the region; providing counselling services to rural people directly and on referral or request from Rural Development Counsellors; conducting liaison activities with regional officials of government agencies and other organizations involved in the solution of rural development problems; performs other related duties. (b) Under the general supervision of the Regional Farm Management Specialist* studies, analyzes, and advises individual farmers requiring farm management consulting services on how to develop viable farms and thereby increase income opportunities and equity; provides a continuing follow-up consulting service for the progressive review and adjustment of the farm operation; provides management assistance to farmers on a wide

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range of business activities; and performs other related duties.

3. Yes. In accordance with the Federal-Provincial agreements covering the Small Farm Development Program, functional supervision is provided by the Provincial Supervisor on the day to day activities of the employees. Monthly reports are submitted to the Department outlining activities and the number of farmers served.

4. (a) \$128,925. (b) \$388,935.

*Farm Management Consultants are responsible in the respective Provinces, as follows:

British Columbia, Director of Extension, British Columbia Department of Agriculture.

Alberta, Regional Director, Extension Branch, Alberta Department of Agriculture.

New Brunswick, to the District Agriculturalist in the office in which they work.

Prince Edward Island, to the Agricultural Representative in the office in which they work.

CANADA COUNCIL GRANT TO GEORGES LÉTOURNEAU

Question No. 4,017—**Mr. Cossitt:**

With reference to the 1974-75 Annual Report of the Canada Council which lists a grant in the amount of \$6,600 to Georges Létourneau of Montreal "to investigate uses of the translation of human bio-electrical signals into musical sound" (a) what are human bio-electrical signals, (b) what were the conclusions of the investigation, (c) what are the names and addresses of all those (i) appearing on the application for the grant (ii) who recommended the grant to the Canada Council, (d) what are the reasons that the application for the grant was approved?

Miss Coline Campbell (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State): I am informed by the Canada Council as follows: (a) Human bio-electrical signals are electrical impulses of the brain which can be recorded by an encephalograph. (b) Conclusions are not yet available as the investigation is still under way. (c) (i) The only name appearing on the application form is that of Georges Létourneau. (ii) See Appendix I of the Council's 18th Annual Report for the names of members of the Regional Selection Committees for the Explorations Program. To protect the privacy of candidates and Committee members, the Council does not release their addresses. (d) The Selection Committee judged the application worthy of a grant after assessing the merit of the proposed project and the applicant's ability to carry it out, and taking into account all other applications entered in the competition.

CANADA COUNCIL GRANT TO JO-ANNE FRASER, KATHLEEN MURCH AND ERNA VAN DAELE

Question No. 4,018—**Mr. Cossitt:**

With reference to the 1974-75 Annual Report of the Canada Council which lists a grant in the amount of \$2,760 to Jo-Anne Fraser, Kathleen Murch and Erna Van Daele of London "for a multi-media review on the theme of sexual stereotyping" (a) was the review made and, if so, on what date, (b) what are the reasons that the application for the grant was approved, (c) what are the names and addresses of all those who recommended the grant to the Canada Council?