

Questions

Harold Ogilvy, Red Deer, Alberta, \$180.00; The Red Deer House of Decorating, Red Deer, Alberta, \$463.60.

4. Government Contract Regulations do not require deposits on tenders under \$25,000. Tenders must be submitted on forms supplied by the Department.

5. Yes.

6. Since tenders are mainly obtained by public advertisement, past performance on payment of accounts is a factor in determining acceptability of tender or alternately requiring the posting of a labour and materials payment bond.

7. Clause 21 of the general conditions of the contract permits Her Majesty to discharge lawful obligations of, and satisfy lawful claims against the contractor or a sub-contractor arising out of the execution of the work to the extent that moneys are available to do so under the contract.

CBC "WEEKEND" PROGRAM—APPEARANCE
OF JAMES HARDING

Question No. 638—**Mr. Dinsdale:**

1. Was James Harding on the CBC Weekend Program on Sunday, November 30, 1969?

2. How much exposure in time was he given on national television?

3. What are Mr. Harding's credentials and, on whose behalf was he speaking?

4. What was the purpose of Mr. Harding's television appearance?

[Translation]

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation as follows: 1. Yes.

2. 10 minutes, 45 seconds.

3. Mr. Harding is considered to be one of the more prominent spokesmen in Canada for the "new left". He is a former teaching assistant at Simon Fraser University and was a guest speaker at the recent Liberal party conference at Harrison Hot Springs. He spoke for himself on the CBC program.

4. The purpose of Mr. Harding's appearance was to provide a significant viewpoint about the Canadian political scene.

[English]

COST OF UNUSED DESIGN FOR NATIONAL
DEFENCE BUILDING

Question No. 646—**Mr. MacLean:**

1. What was the total cost of the unused design for the Department of National Defence building which was to have been built in the LeBreton Flats area in Ottawa?

[Mr. Laing.]

2. What was the cost to (a) the Department of Public Works (b) the Department of National Defence (c) any other government departments or agencies?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): 1. \$1,355,885.95.

2. (a) Cost to Department of Public Works, \$1,355,885.95; Salary of D.N.D. personnel seconded to D.P.W. \$10,458.00; Total cost to Department of Public Works, \$1,366,343.95. (b) \$372,576 for salaries and travel for a planning group which varied in strength from three to seven personnel over a five year period. \$33,047 for consultant services. (c) Not applicable.

*NATIONAL FILM BOARD RENTAL FEE

Question No. 668—**Mr. Fairweather:**

1. Is the National Film Board proposing to charge a film rental fee effective January 1, 1970 and, if so, will schools and other educational institutions be exempt from paying the rental fee?

2. Were the budgetary implications of the new policy discussed with provincial departments of education before the announcement about change in policy?

[Translation]

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, I am informed by the National Film Board as follows:

1. The National Film Board proposes to institute a service charge for the use of its films, effective January 1, 1970. Schools and other educational institutions will not be exempt from paying this service charge if they wish to use NFB material.

2. The budgetary implications of this new policy were discussed with provincial departments of education in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland, before the change in policy was made known; elsewhere, provincial departments of education were consulted shortly after they received, in the third week in November, a letter intimating the change in policy.

[English]

"THE FORSYTE SAGA"—PURCHASE OF SERIES
BY CBC

Question No. 669—**Mr. Broadbent:**

Did the CBC consider purchasing the BBC production series, The Forsyte Saga, for the 1969-70 viewing season and (a) if not, for what reason (b) if so, what are the specific reasons for not purchasing the above BBC program?