

Questions

Hon. Jean-Eudes Dubé (Minister of Veterans Affairs): Statistical information relating to this question has not been maintained in the categories specified. To provide the information as requested would require an examination of each veteran student's file. Training at the elementary and secondary school levels was provided to approximately 29,000 World War II veterans in order to qualify them for entry to trades training or post-secondary education. Trades training was provided for 80,495 veteran students, and post-secondary education including university was provided to 53,949 veteran students. These figures include those who have received educational benefits under the Pensioners Training Regulations subsequent to the immediate post-World War II period.

WORLD WAR II VETERANS—TOTAL COST OF
EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

Question No. 2,008—**Mr. Robinson:**

What was the total amount paid to veterans of the Second World War for educational rehabilitation payments?

Hon. Jean-Eudes Dubé (Minister of Veterans Affairs): The total cost of educational assistance provided to veterans of World War II under the post-discharge rehabilitation order, the Veterans Rehabilitation Act and Pensioners Training Regulations was \$197,202,453 to March 31, 1971 including the costs of education and training paid to educational institutions and allowances to the veteran student.

BRITISH COLUMBIA—REMOVAL OF TRANS-CANADA
HIGHWAY SIGNS

Question No. 2,021—**Mr. Southam:**

Does the government support the recently announced British Columbia Government policy to remove Trans-Canada Highway signs on that part of No. 1 Highway going through British Columbia and to replace them with signs "British Columbia No. 1"?

Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): The Trans-Canada Highway sign was designed by representatives of all ten provinces in cooperation with federal government officials. By agreement by all ten provinces, this route marker was erected along the entire Trans-Canada Highway. It would be regrettable if the Government of British Columbia or of any other province saw fit to withdraw from this voluntary agreement.

MINIMUM WARRANTY STANDARDS FOR NEW CARS

Question No. 2,032—**Mr. Mather:**

1. Is consideration being given, in co-operation with the provinces, to establishing minimum warranty standards for new cars which will clearly impose upon the manufacturer the responsibility to repair or replace defective parts within a prescribed time limit at no cost to the purchaser?

2. Is consideration being given, in co-operation with the provinces, to initiating and developing an effective program to dispose of abandoned motor vehicles, including a plan to rid the countryside of such vehicles and to speed the re-cycling of old cars into useable materials?

Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): 1. No.

[Mr. Robinson.]

2. No, it is not within the purview of the Department of Transport.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES FOR HEALTH AND SCIENCES

Question No. 2,056—**Mr. Orlikow:**

In each of the past three years, what were the federal expenditures on the planning, building and equipping of health sciences teaching facilities for (a) Hospital Construction Grants (b) National Health Grants (c) General Public Health Grants (d) National Research Council (e) Medical Research Council (f) Health Resources Fund (g) others?

Mr. J. A. Jerome (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): I am informed by the Department of National Health and Welfare and National Research Council as follows: Under the various programs administered within the Health Insurance and Resources Branch, Federal expenditures on the planning building and equipping of health sciences teaching facilities were as follows for the fiscal years 1968-69, 1969-70 and 1970-71: (a) Nil; (b) nil; (c) nil; (d) nil; (e) nil; (f) 1968-69, \$33,922,922; 1969-70, \$34,382,978; 1970-71, \$37,500,000; (g) nil.

NANAIMO HARBOURS COMMISSION

Question No. 2,062—**Mr. Rynard:**

1. What are the names of the three Commissioners serving on the Nanaimo Harbour Commission?

2. What is the total amount of (a) remuneration (b) travel expenses paid to each of the Commissioners of the Nanaimo Harbour Commission?

Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): 1. (a) Mr. D. Robinson, Chairman; (b) Mr. D. M. Greer; (c) Capt. J. S. Clarke.

2. (A) (a) \$1,500 per annum; (b) \$1,000 per annum; (c) \$1,000 per annum. (B) (January 1, 1971 to October 31, 1971) (a) \$1,334; (b) \$1,343.65; (c) \$1,388.15.

STERILIZATION OF FEMALE PATIENTS AT WHITEHORSE
GENERAL HOSPITAL

Question No. 2,077—**Mr. Nielsen:**

1. How many tubal ligations or other similar operations having as their result the sterilization of female patients have been performed at the Whitehorse General Hospital?

2. Of such operations, how many have been performed on Indian patients and how many have been performed on white patients?

3. In each such case where such operations were performed, was a form of consent signed by the patient and obtained from such patient before such operation?

4. If such consent signed by such patient was not obtained, what other authority, if any, was obtained for the performance of such operation?

5. In the case of each such operation, what was the name of the doctor performing the operation?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): 1. 112 (During period July 1969 to June 1971 inclusive.)

2. Eight Indians; 104 others.

3. Yes.

4. See question 3.