

for them at public expense and what is the total estimated cost of this practice during the current fiscal year?

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PROGRAMMES UNDER WHICH GOVERNMENT MADE GRANTS  
AVAILABLE

Question No. 3,862—Mr. Halliday:

1. What were the names of all programmes under which the government made grants to individuals, groups, organizations or corporations and, for each programme, what was the amount granted in (a) 1972 (b) 1973 (c) 1974?

2. In each case, is there a catalogue or brochure showing details of such grants?

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HOUSE OF COMMONS

MOTION TO ADJOURN FROM 5 P.M. FEBRUARY 19 UNTIL 2 P.M.  
FEBRUARY 23

**Mr. Speaker:** In accordance with an earlier agreement, the House will revert to motions. The motion in the name of the President of the Privy Council (Mr. Sharp), seconded by the Secretary of State for External Affairs (Mr. MacEachen), has been put. The Chair will recognize the hon. member for Moncton (Mr. Jones) in the debate.

**Mr. Leonard C. Jones (Moncton):** Mr. Speaker, thank you very much for giving me the opportunity to speak on this motion. As I go through this little talk this afternoon, perhaps we may all gain something from it no matter what side of the House we are on.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Jones:** Very early in life, amongst other things, we are all taught to say at least two words "Yes", and "No". As we grow older we are taught what these words mean, when to say them and when not to say them. This is one reason why nations and governments in this world find themselves in such difficult circumstances. Leaders in all sectors of society have been reluctant to make positive use of the words "Yes" and "No", but have been more concerned in obtaining and retaining office and power.

On Thursday last, in response to a request by Mr. Speaker for unanimous consent to entertain the motion in question, I exercised a right, a right to dissent, a right which any member of this House has. From certain corners there was grave despair. Be that as it may, I have made it clear on several occasions that when unanimous consent is required, if those who are desirous of having the motion passed quickly want my consent, they should at least have the common courtesy to ask me for consent or consult with me. The leader of the party which is holding a leadership convention this weekend, obviously on misinformation and poor advice, forced me to become an independent and abused all Christian and democratic principles to make certain that I be rejected and refused admittance to that party and candidacy for his job. He has been assisted by others in this conspiracy.

*Motion to Adjourn*

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**An hon. Member:** Balderdash!

**Mr. Jones:** In view of the fact that the real reason this motion has been introduced is to accommodate members of parliament from that party so they can attend and participate in that convention, I could put on record the history of the so called "Jones affair" since May, 1974.

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**An hon. Member:** Order.

**Mr. Jones:** It is very interesting and would prove to be a real horror story. It points up some of the abuses that can, and are, practised under the political party system in Canada today. It indicates how injustices, inequities and undemocratic procedures can be, and are, followed by the backroom boys and by those at the top echelon of the political party for the sake of keeping control of a political party. But today I am not going to relate to you that story except to say that one can be duly nominated by a constituency association and unduly rejected by a national leader; duly elected by the people, undemocratically rejected by the executive, but endorsed again by the people at the grassroots level.

Political parties in Canada must be for, of, and by the people—all people—people from the base of the triangle or pyramid to the apex; from the grassroots level up; from the first rung in the ladder to the top; from the lowest plain to the highest peak, regardless of their status in life. Yes, political parties must relate to people. If this philosophy and thinking is not followed, then Canadians will continue to be cynical and distrustful of political parties, the party system, governments, parliamentary democracy and the institution of parliament itself.

Leaders of this nation should be preaching and practising productivity and efficiency at home, at work and even at play. Each and every member of parliament would do well to practice productivity and efficiency right in this House. Certainly we should oppose poor legislation, but support good legislation. If we oppose or support legislation, we should say so, say it quickly and get on with the business of this House and with the business and problems of the nation.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**An hon. Member:** Simplistic.

**Mr. Jones:** One serious problem is that the members of this House are kept in the dark with respect to several of the operations of government. Millions of dollars are spent annually and this House has little or no control. This must stop. All political parties must clean up their acts. The people of Canada are awaking from a deep sleep only to find that the democratic institutions established over many years are being eroded and watered down. Parliament must clean up its act, and certainly government has the duty to clean up its act. People must not only become involved in the political process; they must be permitted to share in the party process itself.

Incidentally, the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) is to be commended for going to British Columbia along with a