

Mr. McINTOSH: Can they not coerce growers who are not under the board?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): If they are in the area in which the scheme is in effect, in which the majority of the people have agreed to abide by certain regulations.

Mr. CAMPBELL: That is within an effective marketing area they use the policy coercion?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): Within the area in which the scheme is in effect.

Mr. WEIR (Macdonald): This is quite a large item, and perhaps the minister would break it down and explain in a little more detail how it is to be expended. I had hoped that at the beginning the minister would be able to give a complete and comprehensive review of the workings of the act since it was brought into effect, but unfortunately last night we got off on some sidelines. Perhaps we could gather it from the various statements he made, but I would like him to indicate how this money has been spent and to make some comment on the failure of the poultry pool scheme to carry in the three western provinces. He might indicate also what provincial governments have enacted complementary legislation. I took it from the minister's remarks a little while ago that

the majority of the dominion marketing board are members of his own department. How many of them are not members of his department?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): Doctor Booth, Mr. Eaton, and also the secretary Doctor Hopper.

Mr. WEIR (Macdonald): Is not Doctor Booth a member of the minister's department? How many members of the marketing board are not members of the department?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): There are five members in all. They are all members of the department as far as that goes because the marketing act is under the Department of Agriculture. But I think that what the hon. member means is, what members of the dominion marketing board do not occupy definite positions—

Mr. VENIOT: On the regular staff.

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): No, do not occupy positions that have been created within the service under the different divisions. Mr. Leitch the chairman, and Mr. Eaton, who is from the Department of Finance and Mr. Davidson of the bureau of statistics.

With reference to the breaking down of the amount for last year, this will be submitted in a report:

Expenses of the board:

Transportation..	\$ 1,243 31
Communications..	526 46
Miscellaneous..	853 73
Materials and supplies..	2,303 83
Salaries..	3,464 52
	\$ 8,391 85

Prairie provinces poultry pool expenses:

Postage..	\$ 14,580 19
Stationery..	2,164 74
Travel and miscellaneous..	2,836 13
Salaries..	2,157 29
	\$ 21,738 35

Organization of local boards, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta poultry marketing..

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Eastern Canada potato marketing board..	10,000 00
British Columbia interior vegetable marketing board..	3,000 00
Fruit export board..	3,000 00
	\$ 66,000 00
	\$ 96,130 20

Mr. WEIR (Macdonald): How is that money expended by these various boards? Do you make them a grant, or is it expenses of coming here, or of taking a vote, or what?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): It varies with the requests of the different boards. The purpose of the vote of this money was to assist in the organization of these schemes in various ways. Some money was advanced after the expenses

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were incurred, some advanced before the expenses were incurred, under certain conditions.

Mr. STEWART (Edmonton): May I ask if any of it was spent in a similar way to the \$50,000 grant made to the western poultry pools, for purposes of propaganda to put the scheme over, payment of lecturers and so on?

Mr. WEIR (Melfort): That was not for purposes of propaganda to put the scheme over.