

Questions

July 1967, under the provisions of QR&O Article 15.01 item 3(a), "On Medical Grounds".

2. (a) Yes. (b) Yes.

*RESEARCH INTO PERENNIAL HIGH YIELD WHEAT

Question No. 856—**Mr. Mazankowski:**

1. Is there any research being conducted in Canada, comparable to the recent development in Russia, of a perennial high yielding wheat, which will meet out milling requirements in this country?

2. Has the Department of Agriculture endeavoured to acquire any information concerning the development of Russia's perennial high yielding wheat and, if so, what is the evaluation of this information by the Department?

[Translation]

Mr. Florian Côté (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Agriculture): 1. No research on perennial wheat is being carried out at present by the Department of Agriculture. Some years ago research was conducted on perennial wheats. The results led to the conclusion that these wheats did not compare favorably with annual wheats for yield and milling quality and would not be of any advantage to Canadian producers.

2. Research officers of the department have kept informed of the work being done with perennial wheats in Russia. Their evaluation is that these perennial wheats are not competitive with annual wheats currently available.

[English]

OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT, CAMP HILL HOSPITAL

Question No. 858—**Mr. Coates:**

1. Is the Out-Patient Department at Camp Hill Hospital to be closed on weekends and statutory

holidays after November 30 and, if so, for what reasons?

2. Will the closing of this Out-patient Department interfere with the admission of seriously ill veterans referred to that Department by their own doctors and physicians?

3. How many veterans have taken advantage of out-patient services on weekends and statutory holidays to date in 1968 and of that number how many were required to be admitted to Camp Hill Hospital as a result of the examination they received at the Out-patient Department?

Hon. Jean-Eudes Dubé (Minister of Veterans Affairs): 1. Yes, experience has shown that because of the small number of veterans reporting to that outpatient clinic on week ends and statutory holidays, it would be wasteful to man fully this clinic during these periods.

2. No; such cases will be taken care of by the duty medical officer at the hospital.

3. 132 veterans of whom 52 (about one patient a week) were admitted to hospital during these periods.

AGRICULTURAL LOANS, QUEBEC

Question No. 862—**Mr. Caouette:**

1. What is the total amount of agricultural loans granted by the government each year since 1963 (a) in the Province of Quebec (b) in the constituency of Témiscamingue?

2. What is the average amount of these loans?

3. How many have been refused for each of these years?

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture): The Farm Credit Corporation advises that statistics are not maintained on a constituency basis. However, for the province of Quebec and the municipal county of Témiscamingue, the answer is:

Fiscal Years	1. Total Amount		2. Average Amount		3. No. Loans Refused	
	(a) Quebec	(b) Témiscamingue	(a) Quebec	(b) Témiscamingue	(a) Quebec	(b) Témiscamingue
	\$	\$	\$	\$		
1963-64.....	14,710,400	225,900	12,000	11,300	305	4
1964-65.....	20,326,500	167,700	15,000	10,500	320	2
1965-66.....	18,987,200	113,100	16,600	14,200	276	4
1966-67.....	25,941,200	117,200	17,000	16,800	278	1
1967-68.....	25,668,800	92,200	18,300	15,300	331	2
1968-69 (to Nov. 30/68).....	22,333,300	72,000	19,300	14,400	295	2

INCOME TAX ON SINGLE PERSON

Question No. 866—**Mr. Caouette:**

How much income tax has the average, single wage earner paid over the past five years?

[Mr. Groos.]

Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Acting Minister of National Revenue): This information is not available in the form requested.