

gallery this afternoon who to me personify the true picture of labour in Canada, men who have served their fellow Canadians unstintingly and faithfully for more than half a century. The three gentlemen sitting in the Speaker's gallery represent over 170 years of rural mail service in Ontario. They are Mr. Joseph Stanley Ritchie of Grand Valley in the federal riding of Wellington-Grey-Dufferin-Waterloo; Mr. Melvin Sheehy of Fenelon Falls in the riding of Victoria-Haliburton, and Mr. Peter M. Johnston of Lucknow in my riding of Bruce-Grey.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Alexander: I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker. I know the Prime Minister wanted to answer my supplementary question, and I am sure that all members of the House would appreciate knowing whether the Prime Minister would give a statement on motions on these very pertinent questions in order that the people of Canada may understand. In this regard, I would hope my colleagues would give unanimous consent for the Prime Minister to answer that supplementary question.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Whether or not there would be unanimous consent, the fact of the matter is that the question was both argumentative and one that had been answered; so for two reasons it is out of order. Whether there is unanimous consent or not, out of order is out of order.

Mr. Korchinski: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order as a result of the answer the Minister of Justice just gave me. I sought information on whether the Wheat Board was making it possible for farmers to deliver to several alternate points. In the application for my permit book there is one main delivery point and one alternate point: it does not give me any option to deliver anywhere in the province at any particular time, although the minister seemed to intimate that I do have that option. I should like him either to correct the misinformation I was given or the misinformation he has provided.

Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, I am happy to reconfirm, for the third time this afternoon, that since January or February of last year the Canadian Wheat Board has been allowing farmers to deliver to any elevator they wish. That is true whatever the form of permit or application. The hon. member can deliver his grain to any elevator in Saskatchewan.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. There has been the suggestion that in view of the uncertainty of the length of tonight's proceedings, the ordinary adjournment proceedings at the close of this sitting be suspended. Is that agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Sharp: Mr. Speaker, in respect of today's proceedings, for the afternoon I believe there is general agreement—and I wonder whether an order of the House might issue—to limit the length of speeches on the first round to 15 minutes and all subsequent speeches to ten minutes.

Mr. Baldwin: Agreed.

Order Paper Questions

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: It is agreed and so ordered.

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 2,088, 2,189, 2,316, 2,336, 2,494 and 2,554.

Mr. Speaker, if questions Nos. 557 and 2,349 could be made orders for return, these returns would be tabled immediately.

I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

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AGRICULTURE RESEARCH GRANTS

Question No. 2,088—Mr. Horner:

1. How much money in the form of agriculture research grants were paid in the past year by the government?
2. In what particular fields of the industry did such grants cover?
3. Were any grants given for crop seeding by aeroplane?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (President of the Privy Council): In so far as Agriculture Canada is concerned: 1. \$850,000.

2. Animal Research, \$162,650; Food Research, \$55,500; Plant Research, \$181,150; Soil Science, \$35,500; Entomology, \$69,000; Engineering, \$63,500; Economics, \$83,700; Veterinary Medicine, \$33,500; Environmental Quality, \$65,500; Interdisciplinary \$100,000; Total, \$850,000.

3. No.

In so far as the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce is concerned: Agriculture Research Grants and Contributions paid in 1974/75: 1. (a) Grains and Oilseeds Marketing Incentives Program (GOMI), \$228,318; (b) Agricultural and Food Products Market Development Assistance Program (AGMAP), \$266,086; (c) Grant to the Rapeseed Association of Canada, Rapeseed Utilization Assistance Program, \$300,000; Total Agriculture Research Grants and Contributions paid in 1974/75, \$794,404.

2. (a) Testing, evaluation and development of utility wheats, feed grains and rapeseed meal. (b) Testing, evaluation and development of field peas, Faba beans and other crops. (c) Research and development of rapeseed products for foreign markets.

3. Nil.

SALE OF FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL FAMILY HOUSING UNITS

Question No. 2,189—Mr. McGrath:

1. What was the average price realized from the sale of federal-provincial family housing units in the (a) two-bedroom (b) three-bedroom