

## Questions

**Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):** I have been given the following information by the Civil Service Commission, which covers all employees under the Civil Service Act: 159 employees for the year 1966, and 453 employees were rejected during probation.

## FEED GRAIN SUBSIDY, NEW BRUNSWICK

Question No. 2,658—**Mr. Fairweather:**

What amount of money did the government of Canada pay in the way of subsidy or any other assistance for feed grain coming into the province of New Brunswick for each of the years 1965 and 1966?

**Hon. Maurice Sauvé (Minister of Forestry and Rural Development):** Transportation assistance on feed grains shipped to the province of New Brunswick in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1965 amounted to \$1,118,529.31, and in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1966 amounted to \$1,156,724.12. During these two years the government of Canada also paid winter storage charges on grains. Due to the loss of identity of the grain on conversion to animal feeds it is not possible to give an accurate provincial expenditure. It is estimated feed grains and feeds shipped to New Brunswick were assisted under this program by \$31,746 in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1965 and \$33,503 in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1966.

## PRODUCTION OF FILM ON SEAL HUNT

Question No. 2,665—**Mr. MacRae:**

Did the government co-operate in the making of the films which were taken by the officials of the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals during the 1966 seal hunt in the gulf of St. Lawrence and, if so, did the government approve of the said films as being an authentic record of sealing operations in 1966?

**Hon. H.-J. Robichaud (Minister of Fisheries):** The Department of Fisheries provided aerial transportation for a number of officials representing humane and conservation organizations to visit the area of the seal hunt in the gulf of St. Lawrence in 1966. Some, if not all, of these officials on their own initiative took still and/or moving films of scenes at the hunt, using their own equipment. None of this photographic material was submitted to the department for verification of authenticity.

MANPOWER RETRAINING PROGRAM,  
ST. JEROME, QUE.

Question No. 2,667—**Mr. Godin:**

1. Under the manpower retraining program, to which province and to what kind of employment [Mr. Winkler.]

are the unemployed workers of the shoe manufacturing industry, particularly those from St. Jérôme, Quebec, being sent?

2. What was the number of unemployed persons registered in this community as at December 31, 1966?

3. Of this number, how many have since found employment?

[Translation]

**Mr. J. C. Munro (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Manpower and Immigration):**

1. Unemployed workers from the shoe manufacturing industry at St. Jérôme have been referred to employment at General Motors, Ste. Thérèse, and at Canadair, Montreal, in the main. To date, no such workers have been referred outside the province of Quebec.

2. 1,489 men and 664 women.

3. The Canada Manpower Centre has placed 347 persons in the period between December 31, 1966, and February 24, 1967. The total number who have found employment on their own initiative is not known, but 89 of those who lost their employment in the shoe manufacturing industry are reported to be in permanent employment.

[English]

## LIVESTOCK FEED BOARD

Question No. 2,668—**Mr. Godin:**

When will the livestock feed board (Bill C-218) come into operation, and will the farmers in the regions concerned benefit through a decrease in the price of grain?

**Hon. Maurice Sauvé (Minister of Forestry and Rural Development):** As was stated in the house on February 9th it is expected that appointments to the Canadian livestock feed board will be made before March 15. It is not expected there will be any immediate effect on the price of feed grains when this board is appointed. This board will, within the powers provided by the Livestock Feed Assistance Act, take steps to ensure the objects are attained within a reasonable period of time.

## ESTATE TAX, SASKATCHEWAN

Question No. 2,670—**Mr. Pascoe:**

1. What was the total amount paid in Saskatchewan in estate tax for the year 1966, and how was this amount shared by the federal and provincial governments?

2. Has the government entered into an agreement with the government of Saskatchewan to eliminate the collecting of this tax in that province and, if so, when will the necessary legislation be introduced in this house?