

to the Minister of Industry. Has the government any plans for easing the impact of the Kennedy round tariff reductions on companies whose products are sold only in the Canadian market? If so, when does the government expect to announce such plans?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): Mr. Speaker, consideration has been given to this question. Plans are in preparation and when appropriate an announcement will be made.

Hon. Théogène Ricard (Saint-Hyacinthe-Bagot): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Could the minister say whether there are any plans to protect the agricultural products of Canada?

Mr. Drury: Mr. Speaker, I point out that such products are not within my province, and I prefer not to be too precise on that.

Mr. Roger E. Régimbal (Argenteuil-Deux-Montagnes): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. In view of the fact that one of the consequences of the Kennedy round tariff adjustments might well be to create unemployment in certain industries, has the Minister of Industry consulted with the minister of manpower for the purpose of setting up a crash program to accelerate the retraining and relocation of the employees affected by those changes?

Mr. Drury: Mr. Speaker, such discussions have been held.

[Later:]

Hon. E. D. Fulton (Kamloops): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Trade and Commerce or to the Prime Minister. It is related to an earlier question directed to the Minister of Industry with regard to the Kennedy round. Can the Minister of Trade and Commerce or the Prime Minister assure us that studies are being undertaken by the government to look into the possible alleviation of the impact of the Kennedy round on agriculture, such as are now being undertaken with respect to other segments of the economy? After all, agriculture is still an industry.

Hon. Robert Winters (Minister of Trade and Commerce): I shall have to speak to my colleagues about that, Mr. Speaker.

Inquiries of the Ministry

LABOUR CONDITIONS

PARTICIPATION BY BRITISH COLUMBIA IN RETRAINING PROGRAM

On the orders of the day:

Mr. D. W. Groos (Victoria (B.C.)): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. Could the minister tell the house whether the province of British Columbia has yet signed an agreement with the federal government to participate in the occupational retraining program to which reference has just been made? If not, can the minister tell the house what effect this will have upon the number of positions open to persons now applying for retraining and improving their technical skills?

Mr. Speaker: Order. The hon. member will recognize that the question is perhaps too detailed and should be put on the order paper.

Mr. Groos: Mr. Speaker, if I could ask the first question I will take the second one at ten o'clock.

Mr. Speaker: It might be simpler to take both at ten o'clock.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY

REQUEST FOR MORE EFFECTIVE METHODS OF DEALING WITH ACCIDENTS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. H. W. Herridge (Kootenay West): Mr. Speaker, I wish to address a question to the parliamentary secretary to the Minister of Transport which I know is of concern not only to both of us but to the Minister of Labour, the Minister of Transport and his department. Has the parliamentary secretary anything to report with respect to requests by Canadian Pacific Railway train crew employees for improved first aid and transportation arrangements in certain areas to deal more effectively with accidents on the railroad?

Mr. Speaker: I suggest to the hon. member that his question be placed on the order paper.

AGRICULTURE

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF FEED GRAIN FREIGHT SUBSIDY TO ONTARIO PRODUCTS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. H. W. Danforth (Kent (Ont.)): Mr. Speaker, normally I would address this question to the minister of forestry or the Minister of Agriculture, but since neither is in