

## HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, February 2, 1966

The house met at 2.30 p.m.

### INDUSTRY

#### CORRECTION IN ANNUAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENT

**Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry):** Mr. Speaker, on Monday of this week, according to the rules of the house, I tabled the annual report of the Department of Industry for the year ended March 31, 1965. Unfortunately a typographical error exists in the first paragraph on page 36. The paragraph should read:

Vessels built for the account of the federal or provincial governments, or floating structures which cannot be considered vessels in the conventional sense, will not be covered by subsidies.

[Translation]

Unfortunately, the same error appeared in the French translation of that report. The first paragraph of the French text, on page 37, should read thus:

Ces subventions ne s'appliqueront pas aux navires construits pour le compte des gouvernements fédéral et provinciaux et aux engins flottants qui ne sont pas comme des navires dans le sens réel du terme.

[English]

### TRADE

#### COTTON TEXTILES—RESTRICTION ON EXPORTS FROM HONG KONG

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Finance):** With the permission of the house I should like to table a copy of a recently signed memorandum of understanding between the Canadian and the Hong Kong governments under which Hong Kong has agreed to restrict certain cotton textile exports to Canada.

I believe it has been customary for such memoranda to be printed as appendices to *Votes and Proceedings*, and I should like to make that suggestion with respect to this memorandum.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

### HEALTH AND WELFARE

#### TABLING OF REPORT ON HEALTH RESOURCES FUND

**Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** I should like to table, as

requested yesterday, four copies in English and four copies in French of the report to the conference of ministers of the ad hoc technical committee on the health resources fund.

I should explain that at the request of the conference an appendix is not included in the report for public distribution because it contains a preliminary and not fully complete estimate of provincial needs in the capital field. With this explanation I should like to table the documents.

### NORTHERN AFFAIRS

#### PROVISION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF ALASKA- YUKON HIGHWAY AUTHORITY

**Mr. R. N. Thompson (Red Deer)** moved for leave to introduce Bill No. C-112, to provide for the establishment of an Alaska-Yukon highway authority (Alaska highway).

**An hon. Member:** Explain.

**Mr. Thompson:** This bill calls for the establishment of an Alaska-Yukon highway authority which would provide an alternative to the impasse which presently prevents any workable agreement being made between the government of the United States and the government of Canada, an impasse which apparently is holding up the completion and paving of this important national highway project.

This bill provides for the establishment of a special authority which would permit co-operation among the various governments at different levels so as to facilitate the completion of such a highway and enable the costs to be shared. This is particularly important to us at the present time because the Alaska centenary coincides with the centenary of Canada. Action along these lines would certainly provide what could be an important international aspect of the centenary year.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

### PARLIAMENTARY COMMISSIONER

#### PROVISION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE

**Mr. R. N. Thompson (Red Deer)** moved for leave to introduce Bill No. C-113, to establish the office of parliamentary commissioner.