

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

Agriculture from both P.E.I. and New Brunswick about a week ago. While there are some difficulties with the proposal they made, I should like to advise the hon. member that at the present time the market price for potatoes from P.E.I. is at its highest level this year.

**Mr. MacDonald (Egmont):** Mr. Speaker, since the time is running very short, could the minister indicate whether the federal government is prepared to give any assistance, as it has in the past, because of the very long-term low prices which have been suffered and the very few people who have any stocks of potatoes remaining that can be marketed?

**Mr. Olson:** Mr. Speaker, the discussions which were initiated with the meeting that started last week are continuing.

[Translation]

## POLICY RESPECTING SUPPORT PRICE OF WOOL

**Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a supplementary question to the Minister of Agriculture with regard to the price of wool.

Will the policy concerning the support price of wool for 1971-72 be announced shortly? If so, will the minister take into account the fact that the support price for wool is 72 cents in the United States, and will he recommend a significant increase in the support price so that wool producers may have a higher income?

[English]

**Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture):** Mr. Speaker, as I answered a few moments ago, the support price for the 1970 crop has been announced and cheques have been issued. In fact, the Wool Growers Association has asked to have discussions with me respecting this year's crop.

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## INCOME SECURITY

## CABINET REVIEW OF WHITE PAPER IN LIGHT OF OBJECTIONS—STATEMENT AS TO CHANGES

**Mr. Jack Marshall (Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of National Health and Welfare. In view of the fact that the government has made a decision that family allowances will not be increased in September, and in view of the many objections by the National Council on Welfare to some of the proposals set out in the white paper on income security, is it the intention of the government to review the white paper in cabinet? If so, will he be able to advise on motions in the near future what the changes will be?

**Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** Yes, Mr. Speaker. As I indicated previously and I do so again today, we have as a government various proposals under consideration in respect of changes in the family income security plan. When we have made a decision as to what those changes will be, I will make the

[Mr. Olson.]

announcement in the House and all members will be aware of it.

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[Translation]

## OFFICIAL LANGUAGES ACT

## ESTABLISHMENT OF BILINGUAL DISTRICTS—DISCUSSION WITH ONTARIO AUTHORITIES

**Mr. Gaétan-J. Serré (Nickel Belt):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Secretary of State.

Following a recent statement by the premier of Ontario to the effect that his government might provide certain bilingual services, but that he saw no need to establish bilingual districts, could the minister tell the House whether he has initiated discussions with the province of Ontario to get it to further co-operate in this respect?

**Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State):** Not for the moment, Mr. Speaker.

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[English]

## FILMS

## POLICY RESPECTING NATIONAL FILM BOARD AND CANADIAN FILM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

**Mr. J. P. Nowlan (Annapolis Valley):** My question is directed to the Secretary of State. Since almost a year has gone by, is the government getting any closer to a film policy for both the National Film Board and the Canadian Film Development Corporation that he spoke about when he last appeared before the committee?

[Translation]

**Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State):** Part of this policy has already been enforced through actions which are known to everybody. As far as the rest of the whole policy is concerned, we are getting "closer", to use the hon. member's words.

[English]

**Mr. Nowlan:** Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question.

**Mr. Speaker:** Perhaps the House will allow the hon. member a supplementary question, but may I draw the attention of hon. members to the fact that the question period has expired. I ask the hon. member, therefore, to put his question briefly.

**Mr. Nowlan:** It is a short question, Mr. Speaker, which I will ask quickly. Does the minister contemplate any legislative changes and any further announcements of National Film Board policy along the lines of any content or quota regulations?

[Translation]

**Mr. Pelletier:** Mr. Speaker, legislative action will be forthcoming, but not during this session.

As far as the quota system and a whole variety of similar measures are concerned, these questions will be considered; measures are being studied but a final choice is yet to be made.