## Inquiries of the Ministry AGRICULTURE

DAIRYING—REQUEST FOR ANNOUNCEMENT OF POLICY BEFORE EASTER RECESS

Mr. H. A. Moore (Wetaskiwin): My question is for the Minister of Agriculture. In view of the minister's indication of an early announcement of the government dairy policy, will he give an undertaking to make this announcement in the House before it closes for the Easter recess?

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, I hope that can be done, but as the hon. member and other members who are keenly interested in the dairy industry know, there are a number of points outstanding that have not been resolved between the various sectors of the dairy industry. I would like to go as far as I can in resolving and reconciling those differences. It is hard to put a specific date on it.

[Later:]

Mr. Donald MacInnis (Cape Breton-East Richmond): I want to direct a supplementary question to the Minister of Agriculture in order to clear up the confusing answers which the government is providing. In answer to the original question on dairy policy, the minister said he would make a statement in the House before the end of the month. In answer to the last question, he said he hoped to make it before the 25th. Inasmuch as the Easter recess is due to begin on March 25 and we shall not be back until April 6, how can the minister explain his statement?

Mr. Olson: There is no confusion, except in the mind of the hon. member. I said in reply to the first question posed to me that I would be making a statement—I did not say it would be in this House—before the end of this month. In reply to the second part of the question, I said that if there was reconciliation of the various legitimate viewpoints within the industry I would make an announcement somewhat sooner. I certainly hope hon. members opposite are not asking me to make a unilateral decision before there has been adequate and complete consultation with the industry.

Mr. MacInnis: Do I not recall the Minister of Agriculture saying on another occasion that he would make all statements in the House, and not outside this chamber?

GRADING OF WHEAT BY PROTEIN CONTENT

Mr. A. P. Gleave (Saskatoon-Biggar): A supplementary question to the Minister of [Mr. Greene.]

Agriculture. Will we have an opportunity in the near future to give consideration to the grading of wheat by protein content?

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture): When the Canada Grain Act comes to the House for revision there will be an opportunity for doing so. Whether or not a completely new grading system could be worked out in time for the new crop year, should the new act be passed, is still a good question.

## BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

LEGISLATION RESPECTING ROYAL ANTHEM

Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Dartmouth-Halifax East): I should like to direct a question to the Government House Leader. In light of the tremendous enthusiasm for the Queen of Canada shown on Monday last, would the government consider separating its consideration of the Royal and the National anthems and bringing in a separate bill to deal with the Royal anthem, further legislation being deferred until such time as the difficulties the government is having with the Weir descendants can be resolved?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, we would be prepared to give that suggestion serious consideration. It would certainly be preferable to deal with both subjects at the same time and we hope to resolve the current difficulty. But I will give the hon. member's proposal serious consideration.

## HEALTH AND WELFARE

FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM

Mr. Gordon Ritchie (Dauphin): I wish to address a question to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. Did the minister and his department drop the family planning program which the Family Planning Federation of Canada had prepared for the department at the hon, gentleman's request?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): No, Mr. Speaker.

## TRADE

SALE OF ATOMIC ENERGY PLANT TO ROU-MANIA—CONTINGENT CONDITIONS

Mr. Rod Thomson (Battleford-Kindersley): I have a question for the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce. In view of the success experienced in the "on-power" refuelling of the Douglas Point Candu reactor, will the