

Canada? Could the company transfer indefinitely the right to produce that engine to the United States?

Hon. Alastair Gillespie (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): As I have already indicated, I expect that the transfer is very much of a temporary nature.

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CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

ALLEGATION THAT TOO MANY SPORTS EVENTS TELEVISED— GOVERNMENT POSITION

Mr. Réal Caouette (Témiscamingue): Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Secretary of State responsible for the CBC.

Last weekend, namely on Saturday the 12th, Sunday the 13th and Monday the 14th, the following programs were televised by the CBC network: at 1 p.m., one hour of wrestling; also, at the same time, one hour of golf. At 3 p.m., some baseball, five hours of it. In the evening, at 8 p.m. two and one-half hours of hockey followed by a football game that lasted approximately four hours. Sunday, we were entitled to eight hours of sports. Monday, another baseball game was televised.

Mr. Speaker, has the CBC become a "sportscaster" only? Does the minister intend to intervene and ask the CBC not to tax indefinitely the patience of the Canadian public, which is starting to have its fill of it?

[English]

Hon. James Hugh Faulkner (Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, the answer to the first part of the question is, no. As I understand it, officials of the Corporation will be appearing before the Parliamentary Committee on Broadcasting, Films and Assistance to the Arts. If the hon. member has some thoughts as to how the program mix might be improved, I think he should put them forward there.

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AGRICULTURE

INCIDENCE OF BRUCELLOSIS IN SOUTHEASTERN ONTARIO— REQUEST FOR REINSTITUTION OF VACCINE SERVICE

Mr. Allan Lawrence (Northumberland-Durham): My question, of which I have given notice, is directed to the Minister of Agriculture. In the light of published reports and other reports now in the hands of the minister concerning the serious incidence of brucellosis among herds in southern Ontario, especially southeastern Ontario, is the government giving serious consideration to reinstating the vaccine service?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): The hon. member gave me notice of the question only as I was entering the House. The reports I have received are to the effect that the national average of brucellosis infection for the whole nation is still very low. We are very concerned about flare-ups which are occurring in different areas, but until we find evidence that there is a better way of doing

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things than we are using at the present time, we are still controlling this disease by keeping the herds in quarantine and so on. We realize this is inconvenient to farmers, but we still think it is to the advantage of our world trade in cattle, because we have the most disease-free cattle population in the world.

Mr. Lawrence: I am obviously not talking about the national average; I am talking about the growing incidence of this disease in southeastern Ontario, particularly. Is the minister giving any more serious consideration than he has indicated today to reinstating the vaccine service which was once in effect? Is he giving any serious consideration to this problem at all?

Mr. Whelan: There is no law against using vaccine. We do not recommend it because when cattle are exported it shows up in some of the tests, suggesting that the animals have contracted brucellosis when, in fact, they have not. So the countries which would normally import the cattle just wouldn't take them. It could hurt an \$880 million business if we do not follow the regular procedure and make sure that our animals are disease-free. We have raised the level of compensation to farmers, we are speeding up our testing programs, and now that the cattle are in barns, in close confinement, we are able to do this much more effectively than we could before.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT OF HIGH COMMISSIONER TO UNITED KINGDOM

Mr. Perrin Beatty (Wellington-Grey-Dufferin-Waterloo): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Prime Minister. Can the right hon. gentleman tell the House when an announcement will be made with respect to the appointment of a new Canadian High Commissioner to Britain?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Later this day, Mr. Speaker.

[Later:]

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, could I seek the indulgence of the House to correct an earlier answer I gave the hon. member for Wellington-Grey-Dufferin-Waterloo. In the phrase "later this day" I should like to change the word "day" to "by the end of the week".

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NATIONAL DEFENCE

EFFECT OF CUTBACKS IN PERSONNEL ON FOUR MAIN TASKS OF CANADIAN ARMED FORCES

Mr. Allan B. McKinnon (Victoria): Mr. Speaker, a question for the Minister of National Defence. Yesterday, the minister identified four main tasks for the Canadian Armed Forces. Bearing in mind his intention to reduce the number of those serving in the forces and his statement that "reduction in numbers inevitably means some reduc-