

[Translation]

Mr. Lalonde: Mr. Speaker, the company has agreed to recall all its products. I do not know whether it did so voluntarily or whether it was ordered to do so, but it agreed to recall its products. At our request, the company agreed to do so.

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[English]

GRAIN

SPECIAL EFFORT TO MOVE TOUGH AND DAMP GRAIN FROM COUNTRY TO TERMINAL ELEVATORS

Mr. S. J. Korchinski (Mackenzie): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the minister responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board. In light of the fact that a survey would indicate there is a considerable amount of tough and damp grain in country elevators, particularly in the northern parts of the three prairie provinces, has any special effort been made to move this tough and damp grain to terminal elevators, which are only half full at the present time, particularly with the prospect of the Seaway opening in a few weeks? Is there any such attempt being made at this time?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Justice): Yes, Mr. Speaker, a very special effort has been undertaken by the Canadian Wheat Board, in co-operation with the railways and the elevator companies, to move the damp and tough grain that exists throughout much of the northern prairies to the terminals as fast as the terminal cleaning and drying facilities can handle the grain. Good progress is being made in that direction.

Mr. Korchinski: May I ask the minister, in light of the results he has had so far with the railways, whether he or the Minister of Transport intends to introduce legislation to force the railways to accommodate the farmers, particularly during the next two weeks before the Seaway opens?

Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, the effort that has gone on has been to make use of the available cars as fast as they can be turned around in order to move this tough and damp grain. This has meant in certain cases that places with grain in good condition have gone somewhat short of service because of the over-all shortage of cars that resulted from the operation of the system this winter.

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AIR TRANSPORT

CRASH OF PLANE NEAR FROBISHER BAY—REQUEST FOR ASSURANCE AIRPORT LIGHTS AND ELECTRONIC INDICATORS WERE OPERATING

Mr. Donald W. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich): Mr. Speaker, I wish to ask the Minister of Transport a question concerning the airplane crash which occurred last week at the Frobisher Bay Airport.

Could the minister indicate to the House whether the electronic or visual beacons in Frobisher Bay were fully

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operating during the critical period, that is at the time of the landing?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, the House is unfortunately aware that a Sabre Liner crashed near Frobisher Bay and that, when the accident occurred, one of the electronic indicators, commonly called beacons, had apparently not been operating for 75 minutes.

Investigators are at the site of the accident. I have received various reports concerning it. Some say that this beacon was not essential and that other means available could have been used. However I prefer to reserve my judgment pending the reception of the investigators' report.

Mr. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich): Mr. Speaker, will the minister disclose the findings of this investigation, once it has been completed.

Mr. Marchand (Langelier): With pleasure, Mr. Speaker.

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[English]

MANPOWER

ADULT RETRAINING—ALLEGED REDUCTION IN NUMBER TO WHOM PROGRAM AVAILABLE AT FANSHAWE COLLEGE, LONDON

Mr. William C. Frank (Middlesex): Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. Because of the fact that small businesses in particular are desperate for skilled and semi-skilled labour, and in view of the fact that the general success of the adult retraining program has helped to fill this need, can the minister inform the House why Manpower has decided to reduce the recipients by 13 per cent, or an actual 61 students, attending such a program at Fanshawe College in London, or is this reduction a general Manpower policy in all community colleges across the country?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, such training is, of course, purchased with the co-operation of and through the provincial governments. There has been considerable escalation in the cost of such training which, applied to a general restraint on the budget of Manpower, does result in some reduction in the number of days of training. I am not aware of the particular technical college to which the hon. member refers, but I will certainly examine his remarks in *Hansard* and try to get him a specific answer in that case.

Mr. Frank: Do I understand the minister to be saying that the provincial governments may be cutting down their budgets? If that is the case, why is there a new school being built in Cornwall when existing facilities are already available in London?

Mr. Andras: Mr. Speaker, the selection of a particular school is sometimes based on the kind of course that school gives compared with another school. I will check into the details of both situations and will get back to the hon. member. I did not say that provincial governments