

*Inquiries of the Ministry*CONSIDERATION OF BRIEF PRESENTED BY  
FEDERATION

On the orders of the day:

[*Translation*]

**Mr. Raymond Langlois (Megantic):** Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of Agriculture.

Has the minister received the brief of the federation of agriculture and, if so, is he in agreement with that organization which states in its brief that if Ottawa needs new revenues, it should get them from taxation?

[*Text*]

**Hon. Harry W. Hays (Minister of Agriculture):** Mr. Speaker, I received a brief this morning from the federation of agriculture, which I have not had the opportunity to look at as yet.

FEDERAL AGENCY TO PROVIDE FEED GRAIN  
FOR EASTERN FARMERS

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Raymond Langlois (Megantic):** Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of Trade and Commerce. In the eventuality of having a board of eastern feed grains formed, could this board purchase its wheat directly from the wheat board, and would the minister see any inconvenience in that?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. This is a question for the order paper.

## BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

REQUEST FOR ANSWER TO QUESTION ON  
ORDER PAPER

On the orders of the day:

[*Translation*]

**Mr. L. P. Antoine Belanger (Charlevoix):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the Minister of National Revenue. Does he intend to answer before the end of the session question No. 1,168, which has been on the order paper since September 30 last?

[*Text*]

**Hon. J. R. Garland (Minister of National Revenue):** Yes, Mr. Speaker.

CONSIDERATION NEXT SESSION OF BILL  
RESPECTING BOUNDARIES

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. Gordon Churchill (Winnipeg South Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Prime Minister a question in relation to earlier statements and answers on the boundaries bill. On December 6 when the Prime Minister was announcing the business of the

[Mr. Pearson.]

house he stated as follows, as reported at page 5507 of *Hansard*:

However, it—

That is, the government:

—is prepared to hold over the boundaries bill until the next session.

Are we not right in taking that as an assurance by the Prime Minister that it will be held over and not introduced now?

**Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, it certainly will be held over in the sense that no action could be or would be taken in this session. That was the understanding I gave my right hon. friend the Leader of the Opposition, and certainly we intend to abide by that understanding.

## CANADIAN FLAG

REPORTED COMMITTEE OF LIBERAL MEMBERS TO  
CONSIDER ADOPTION

On the orders of the day:

[*Translation*]

**Mr. Robert Beaulé (Quebec East):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Prime Minister.

Could the Prime Minister tell the house whether it is true that a committee of Liberal members has been created with a view to the adoption of a national flag?

[*Text*]

**Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister):** Not to my knowledge, Mr. Speaker.

**Mr. L. J. Pigeon (Joliette-L'Assomption-Montcalm):** As a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker, can the Prime Minister assure the house that the government will declare one official flag for Canada, and not two or six?

**Mr. Speaker:** The hon. member for Danforth.

**Mr. Reid Scott (Danforth):** My question has already been answered.

## PARLIAMENT HILL

## REQUEST FOR EARLIER SANDING OF ROADWAYS

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. J. R. Tucker (Trinity-Conception):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Public Works. In view of the number of motor car accidents which happened last night on and around parliament hill, would the minister consider having hazardous areas sanded as soon as possible after snowfalls?

**Hon. J. P. Deschatelets (Minister of Public Works):** This is a very important question, Mr. Speaker, and I thank the hon. member for having brought it up. We will certainly look into it forthwith.