

LABOUR CONDITIONS

DESIGNATED AREAS—CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS UNDER ARDA

On the orders of the day:

Mr. R. A. Webb (Hastings-Frontenac): I should like to direct a question to the minister in charge of the ARDA program, Mr. Speaker, and ask the minister if the government is contemplating the building of factories or industrial plants in designated areas under the ARDA program?

Mr. Speaker: It seems to me that this is the type of question which should be placed on the order paper.

[Later:]

Mr. Webb: I rise on a question of privilege, Mr. Speaker. The answer given to my question by the minister just now was "no". However, this past week I was informed by two members of the crown that these factories are being built under the ARDA program.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I do not believe that is a question of privilege.

NORTHERN AFFAIRS

ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS ACCEPTING INDIAN CHILDREN

On the orders of the day:

Mr. George Muir (Lisgar): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources. Can the minister tell the house what funds the government provides for local school boards which accept Indian children in their elementary schools, to help them provide the necessary funds for their classrooms and other operating costs.

Mr. Speaker: That question should be placed on the order paper.

INQUIRY FOR RETURNS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. T. S. Barnett (Comox-Alberni): I should like to direct an inquiry to the Secretary of State. I would ask the hon. lady if she will make inquiries and take appropriate action to lay on the table of the house papers called for in motions Nos. 41 and 42, which were agreed to by the house on February 2. These have to do with ship operating and shipbuilding subsidies in British Columbia, and are a matter of urgent concern.

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State): I should be glad to undertake to do that.

Inquiries of the Ministry
INTERPRETATION ACT

INQUIRY AS TO INTRODUCTION OF AMENDMENTS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Erik Nielsen (Yukon): May I ask the Minister of Justice whether it is the intention of the government this session to introduce any legislation dealing with amendments to the Interpretation Act of Canada, and if so, whether these amendments can be brought before parliament at the earliest possible opportunity because of the wide range of legislation any such amendments would affect.

Hon. Lucien Cardin (Minister of Justice): Mr. Speaker, we are contemplating amendments to the Interpretation Act, but I can give no commitment as to when that legislation may be brought in.

[Later:]

Mr. Cardin: May I take this opportunity of adding to the answer I gave to the hon. member for Yukon. I can inform him that the amendments to the Interpretation Act are now before the banking and commerce committee of the Senate.

[Translation]

INQUIRY OF THE MINISTRY

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Maurice Allard (Sherbrooke): Mr. Speaker, I wish to put a question to the Minister of National Defence.

Following the recent appearance of strange and mysterious objects flying over Toronto and elsewhere, does the minister intend to institute an inquiry to find out whether this is not a violation of national sovereignty?

[English]

Mr. Speaker: That question might be placed on the order paper.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

QUEBEC—DEATHS ATTRIBUTED TO BEER DRINKING

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Leader of the Opposition): I am about to ask a question that has no personal connotation. I would ask the Minister of National Health and Welfare whether the federal Department of National Health and Welfare has completed its investigation into the series of fatalities in the