

**Hon. Eric W. Kierans (Postmaster General):** Mr. Speaker, a team of high officials from my department and the External Affairs Department will represent Canada next week.

#### EXHIBITIONS

##### INQUIRY AS TO CONTINUING MAN AND HIS WORLD

**Mr. Georges Valade (Sainte-Marie):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

Can the minister tell us if he has considered in cabinet this morning the situation of "Man and His World" and if a decision has been taken? If so, what is the nature of this decision?

**Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce):** The decision will be announced in a few days, Mr. Speaker.

[English]

#### INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND DISPUTES INVESTIGATION ACT

##### AMENDMENTS TO CLARIFY BOARD POWERS, PROVIDE FOR APPEAL DIVISION, ETC.

**Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Prime Minister. Since it was not included in the list of bills to be dealt with during the present session, presented earlier today by the President of the Privy Council, does the government intend to reintroduce a measure that was before the previous parliament, Bill C-186, which would divide labour jurisdiction between the province of Quebec and the rest of Canada, and was strongly urged on the government by the C.N.T.U. at its meeting with the cabinet earlier this week as well as having been strongly advocated by the Prime Minister and the Minister of Manpower and Immigration during the last election campaign?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, I do not recall that that measure was announced in the Speech from the Throne.

**Mr. Hees:** A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. May we take it that the government has decided to abandon that legislation after speaking of it so favourably in the previous parliament? Is this part of the government's hearts and flowers approach to the C.L.C.?

#### *Inquiries of the Ministry*

#### EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

##### MAINLAND CHINA—REQUEST FOR REPORT ON OFFER OF RECOGNITION

**Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Prince Albert):** Mr. Speaker, may I ask the Secretary of State for External Affairs whether any word has been received yet from communist China in connection with the projected offer of the government of Canada to recognize that country?

**Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** Mr. Speaker, the answer is yes. I expect that negotiations or discussions will proceed normally.

**Mr. Diefenbaker:** May I ask the minister whether, in terms requisite to the recognition of Communist China, are included the cancellation of the debt of \$12 million owing to Canada and the sacrifice of Taiwan?

**Mr. Sharp:** On the first part of the question, as I said the other day I think that matter can be dealt with much more efficaciously when we have diplomats in both our capitals. On the second point, the question of Taiwan really revolves around the aspirations of the nationalist government to speak for China as a whole. As I said before, if we recognize Peking as the government of China, it will certainly affect the status of the nationalist government which makes the same claim.

**Mr. Diefenbaker:** When did the minister and the Prime Minister find that out? During the election campaign they said that under such circumstances recognition would not take place.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. May I suggest to the right hon. gentleman that the supplementary question was in the nature of an argument.

**Mr. Diefenbaker:** I rise on a point of order. I cannot see anything wrong with asking when the government changed its mind and decided to sacrifice Nationalist China.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please.