

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

**Mr. Lewis:** Would the minister undertake to make a statement in this house on the programs which the department does have with respect to student employment this year?

**Mr. MacEachen:** I will undertake to make a progress report which will be available to the house, either by tabling it or by making it orally.

**Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North):** When the minister makes that statement will he give this house the best information the department has on the extent of employment among university and high school students?

**Mr. MacEachen:** Yes, Mr. Speaker, I would be very glad to outline the situation which is facing the country in respect of this matter.

[Translation]

**AGRICULTURE****MILK—ISSUE OF SUBSIDY PAYMENTS**

**Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse):** Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the Minister of Agriculture, could his parliamentary secretary tell us whether the cheques for the adjustment of subsidies to the producers of manufactured milk for the 1968-69 dairy year have been sent, and if so, when?

If you allow me, Mr. Speaker, I would like to put a further question. Has the subsidy for April and May been paid and if so, when were the cheques mailed?

**Mr. Florian Côté (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Agriculture):** Mr. Speaker, I know that the cheques will be issued from July 15 to the end of July, but since there are over 256,000 milk producers, some delays might occur. Starting July 15, we will start forwarding cheques to farmers.

**Mr. Lambert:** I have a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker.

The parliamentary secretary answered insofar as the subsidies for April and May are concerned, but in connection with the adjustment for the 1968-69 dairy year, many producers have complained, that is at least what they told me, that they had not received anything as yet.

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

**Mr. Côté:** Mr. Speaker, I answer again in the same fashion. Some have not received any cheques, because their production was equal

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to the average production of the year. As to those who are entitled to subsidies, they will begin receiving them as of July 15.

[English]

**FINANCE****IMPOSITION OF RESTRICTIONS WITHOUT REGARD FOR ECONOMIC CONDITIONS**

**Mr. Lloyd R. Crouse (South Shore):** I wish to address my question to the Prime Minister, Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the Minister of Finance. In the light of the disclosure by the Bank of Canada that the chartered banks are rapidly reducing their lending, and that loans were off by \$20 million in one week alone, does the government intend to impose this tight money situation on all the regions of Canada equally, regardless of the economic conditions which face them?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** I believe the Minister of Finance has commented on this aspect and indicated what he hopes the banks will do. He will be in the house tomorrow if the hon. member wishes to ask him a question.

**GRAIN****ADDITION TO FUTURE DELIVERIES OF SHORTFALL IN QUOTAS**

**Mr. A. B. Douglas (Assiniboia):** My question is directed to the Minister without Portfolio, the hon. member for Saskatoon-Humboldt. Will those grain producers who undoubtedly will not be able to deliver their 5-bushel quotas by July 31 be permitted to add their shortfall to the 1969-70 deliveries?

**Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister without Portfolio):** The Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce has been in constant touch with the Wheat Board and with the railways in connection with deliveries of grain in order that quotas may be equalized, and the latest report is that the Wheat Board is still hopeful that the objective of equalizing delivery quotas at five bushels will be attained. The board has indicated that the railways are cooperating—and the minister himself was given their assurance—to do whatever is physically possible.

**PEACE RIVER AREA—BOX CAR SHORTAGE**

**Mr. G. W. Baldwin (Peace River):** Would the minister make enquiries of the railroad companies and the Wheat Board to see what