### INDUSTRY

AUTOMOBILES—REQUEST FOR STATEMENT ON PRICE INCREASES

On the orders of the day:

Hon. W. G. Dinsdale (Brandon-Souris): I have a question for the Minister of Industry. Recalling the hon. gentleman's repeated assurances in the house that the Canada-United States automobile pact would result in lower prices for automobiles in Canada, could the minister indicate what steps he has taken with regard to the current price increases?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): The hon. gentleman is apparently not aware that the recent price increases in the United States with application to 1968 model cars were considerably higher than was the case here.

Mr. Nicholas Mandziuk (Marquette): Is the minister not aware that Ford have increased the prices of their cars in Canada by \$90?

Mr. Drury: Is the hon, gentleman not aware that in the United States the increase is \$131?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

# CANADIAN FILM DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

INQUIRY AS TO ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION

On the orders of the day:

Mr. David MacDonald (Prince): My question is for the Secretary of State. I wonder whether along with her concern for parks she has shown a similar concern for the establishment of a Canadian film corporation, the subject of a bill which she was anxious to have passed earlier this year. Can the hon. lady tell us when the corporation will be set up and when it will begin to function?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State): We have been awaiting appointments to the C.B.C. I have been discussing this with various individuals and if the one matter has not been resolved soon, the other will be.

## HOUSING

EFFECT ON MORTGAGE RATES OF BANK INTEREST INCREASE

On the orders of the day:

Hon. George Hees (Northumberland): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Labour. Has the minister been ad-27053—162½ Supply—Trade and Commerce

vised by those concerned whether the increase of one half of one per cent in the interest rate charged by the Bank of Canada, as announced last night, will have any effect on mortgage rates of interest?

Hon. J. R. Nicholson (Minister of Labour): I will make inquiries, Mr. Speaker.

[Translation]

### LABOUR CONDITIONS

POSSIBLE UNEMPLOYMENT RESULTING FROM TARIFF REDUCTIONS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Roger Régimbal (Argenteuil-Deux-Montagnes): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the hon. Minister of Manpower and Immigration.

Since the Minister of Industry and Defence Production (Mr. Drury) indicated a while ago that he had been discussing the consequences of the lowering of tariffs, could the Minister of Manpower and Immigration tell us in which industries and regions such unemployment is expected?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, the program under study and the ideas that we are discussing concern all those industries which might have to tackle the problems mentioned by the hon. member but we have not referred to any particular industry.

[English]

• (3:40 p.m.)

## SUPPLY

The house in committee of supply, Mr. Tardif in the chair.

The Assistant Deputy Chairman: Order; house again in committee of supply, estimates of the Department of Trade and Commerce for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1968. Vote 1 will be found at page 492 of the bluebook. The details thereof are listed at page 493.

DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND COMMERCE

1. Departmental administration including fees for membership in the international organizations listed in the details of the estimates, \$8,429,500.

The Assistant Deputy Chairman: Shall this item carry?

Hon. Robert Winters (Minister of Trade and Commerce): Mr. Chairman, I am pleased I have this opportunity of returning so soon after the session reconvened to the estimates of the Department of Trade and Commerce. I