Inquiries of the Ministry

young Canadians seeking employment, would the minister indicate at an early opportunity what proportion of those receiving training under his department are under 30? Can the minister also at the same time supply the House with the number of those who have applied for training and the number of those who have been rejected?

Mr. Speaker: Order. I am sure the hon. member will appreciate that statistical information of this type ought normally to be given the House by way of a written reply to a question. Perhaps the hon. member would consider putting the question on the order paper.

Mr. Paproski: Mr. Speaker, I shall do so at an early date.

IMMIGRATION

GROUNDS FOR BARRING ENTRY OF ABBIE HOFFMAN

Mr. Steven E. Paproski (Edmonton Centre): Mr. Speaker, while I am on my feet I wonder whether I might ask another question of the Minister of Manpower and Immigration?

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member is irresistible.

Mr. Paproski: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So are you. My question to the Minister of Manpower and Immigration concerns a gentleman by the name of Abbie Hoffman. Can the minister explain on what grounds Abbie Hoffman was barred from entering Canada?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, I hate to inject myself into this exchange and I also have some hesitancy in speaking about an individual case, but perhaps I should say that so far as I know Mr. Hoffman has not presented himself for entry at this moment in time. As a result, he has not been barred. If, of course, he does present himself, the normal procedures will follow.

Mr. Paproski: Mr. Speaker, I realize he is not the type that we want in Canada, but I just want to know whether, if there has been such a decision, it indicates a change in government policy.

GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

VANCOUVER—SUGGESTED REFUSAL OF LEASE TO FOUR SEASONS HOTEL

Mrs. Grace MacInnis (Vancouver-Kingsway): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Transport. In view of the continued protest of the Vancouver Parks Board against the granting of a lease to the Four Seasons Hotel because such a project would destroy a great part of the beauty of the approach to internationally known Stanley Park, what action is the government taking in regard to approving or refusing the lease?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, I am going to have to insist that the delightful hon. member—

[Mr. Paproski.]

Mr. Baldwin: Also irresistible.

Mr. Jamieson: —revert to her former status, because I cannot even hear what she is saying.

Mrs. MacInnis: I am not going to take it off to please you, but I will repeat my question.

Some hon. Members: Take it off, take it off!

Mrs. MacInnis: As soon as hon. members simmer down, Mr. Speaker, I will repeat my question.

Some hon. Members: Oh. oh!

Mrs. MacInnis: In view of the continued protests of the Vancouver Parks Board against the granting of a lease to the Four Seasons Hotel, because such a project would destroy a great part of the beauty of the approach to the internationally known Stanley Park, what action is the government taking in regard to approving or refusing the lease?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I would think that this question could be placed on the Order Paper.

Mrs. MacInnis: I am sorry, Mr. Speaker, but this is-

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. If there is urgency we could all return at ten o'clock to consider it.

Mrs. MacInnis: Mr. Speaker, I should like to let you know, if it is not already known to you, that this is a very urgent question in Vancouver. It is now at the point of being decided, and I have asked that—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Perhaps I have misjudged the question. I find that the hon. gentleman is also irresistible, so we might allow the minister to reply to the question.

Mr. Jamieson: Mr. Speaker, the best offer I have had today is to meet with the hon. member at ten o'clock. I want to assure the hon. member that the matter is being given urgent attention at this time, to the extent that the National Harbours Board is involved in it, and no decision has been made at the moment. I have asked for additional information.

GRAIN

WHEAT ACREAGE REDUCTION—FORAGE PROGRAM FOR 1971-72

Mr. A. B. Douglas (Assiniboia): Mr. Speaker, my question is supplementary to a question asked earlier of the Minister of Manpower and Immigration who is in charge of the Wheat Board. My question concerns the forage program for 1971-72. Does the minister propose to go forward with the program for 1971-72 and, if so, will it be tied to wheat acreage reduction as it was in 1970?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, formal announcement of the program will be made after a final decision has been taken. In that regard, as is known to hon. members, the proposal is that up to \$40 million will be offered to the producers in the prairie region over a three-year period for additional forage crops of up to four million acres.