

## DISASTERS

## UNION SERVICE TO COMMEMORATE SUDBURY MINERS

**Mr. Stan Darling (Parry Sound-Muskoka):** Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of the men and women involved in the mining industry in Canada.

You will recall a seismic event measuring 3.5 on the Richter scale on June 20 of last year which killed four men in the Falconbridge Number Five mine shaft in Sudbury. In their memory, and of others who have met similar fates, the Sudbury Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' Union, Local 598, will hold a special service on June 20.

Country music singer and composer, Janet Moore, is releasing her new song entitled *The Rugged Miner*, at a press conference Wednesday morning in this building. I urge members of the Press Gallery to support this noble cause by presenting the Union's concerns to the people of Canada.

It is common knowledge that the mining industry is fraught with danger, due to the very nature of the work. Through the efforts of this Union and of Janet Moore, we are reminded of those persons toiling thousands of feet away from the light of day.

We are also reminded of the wives and children who have lost their dear husbands and fathers to the unsettled, shifting earth that was their workplace.

Tribute must also be paid to the miners who have perished from industrial disease. Their demise is less sudden, but no less tragic.

June 20 will be a day of remembrance for all Canadians. It is also a day of celebration in honour of those persons who toil amid danger for the common good.

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## HISTORIC EVENTS

## COMMEMORATION OF HOLOCAUST'S ENDING

**Mr. Speaker:** I believe there would be a disposition in the House at this moment to observe one minute of silence to commemorate the ending of the Holocaust and the closing of the concentration camps. Would the House join me for one minute's silence.

[*Editor's Note: Whereupon the Members stood in silence.*]

## Oral Questions

## ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

[*English*]

## AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

IMPORTATION OF FOREIGN MANUFACTURED VEHICLES—  
ONTARIO PREMIER'S STATEMENT

**Right Hon. John N. Turner (Leader of the Opposition):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion. Last Thursday in Toronto in the company of the Prime Minister, Premier Frank Miller made what I deem to be a disturbing statement. Mr. Miller said that he was going to call upon the Ontario Legislature to pass a resolution, and I use Mr. Miller's words, "stating our resolve to retain quotas" on foreign automobiles.

Given that the Premier met with the Prime Minister and is presumably privy to the Government's intentions in this particular respect, why would he consider it necessary to seek a resolution from the Legislature of Ontario to impress upon the federal Government the need to continue the auto quotas on Japanese imports?

**Hon. Sinclair Stevens (Minister of Regional Industrial Expansion):** Mr. Speaker, in reply to the Right Hon. Leader of the Opposition I would have to assure him, first, that Premier Miller can speak for himself.

**Some Hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**Mr. Blackburn (Brant):** That is debatable.

**Mr. Stevens:** As far as the Government of Canada is concerned, our actions to date have been exactly what Premier Miller has requested.

We have indicated to the Japanese, as I have stated in this House, that we feel, until suitable arrangements can be made, they should not increase the number of cars coming into Canada. That means they should stay at approximately an 18 per cent level of the Canadian market. We have had negotiations in Tokyo pressing this point last week, and I will be meeting with those negotiators when they return to Canada later this week.

## NEGOTIATIONS WITH JAPANESE

**Right Hon. John N. Turner (Leader of the Opposition):** Mr. Speaker, the Hon. Minister must know how well his negotiators did in Japan, if they did well at all. Did the Minister get the agreement he has just laid out before the House? Is it true that if there is an agreement, it does not meet that standard, and the reason the agreement is not being made public is to avoid upsetting the voters of Ontario, and the publication of that agreement is going to be delayed until after Thursday? Would the Minister tell us whether or not he has an agreement with the Japanese, and give us the substance of that agreement?