

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

**Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources):** I cannot at all accept the assumption that a great deal of progress has been made by the state of Alaska or by the government of the United States in plans or intentions to build a dam at Rampart. I think we have made it amply clear that at the present time the building of that dam and the transmission of power through Canada would not be in the interests of Canada.

**Mr. Herridge:** That is what we want to hear.

**Mr. Laing:** Moreover, the economic considerations involved in the transmission of power for well over 1,000 miles, as well as the fact that transmission would have to take place entirely through Canada would, I think, place us in a very strategic position.

**IMMIGRATION****TORONTO—STATUS OF PERSONS CONCERNED WITH NEWSPAPER STRIKE**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. J. N. Ormiston (Melville):** I have a question for the acting minister of citizenship and immigration. Has the hon. gentleman any further information regarding the presence in Toronto of two United States strike directors?

**Mr. Hubert Badanai (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Citizenship and Immigration):** I will take the question as notice.

**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE****REQUEST FOR ANSWER TO QUESTION ON ORDER PAPER**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. W. B. Nesbitt (Oxford):** I wish to direct a question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs. It refers to a question I asked the minister last week with reference to question No. 1,744 on the order paper, to be found on page 27 of today's routine proceedings. This question has been on the order paper since August 20. It seeks information which must be readily available in the external aid office, and I asked the minister last week whether he would see that it was answered. The hon. gentleman was very gracious and reassuring, but no answer has been given as yet. So I should like to ask this minister this. Have any Caribou aircraft been delivered to India so far?

[Mr. Herridge.]

**Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs):** I shall see that this question is given the attention it deserves. I am told the answer has already been tabled. The hon. member does not give the department the credit he should.

**LABOUR RELATIONS****INQUIRY AS TO FEDERAL LABOUR CODE**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Labour. Are the reports correct which appear to have been given to persons outside the house concerning the details of the proposed national labour code? May I ask, further, whether the notice respecting this legislation will be filed before six o'clock today so the item will be on the order paper by September 30, as the minister so solemnly promised?

**Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of Labour):** I have no comment to make with respect to the first part of the question. When I indicated that the notice would be on the order paper by the end of September, I thought September had 31 days. With that qualification I will meet the commitment I made to the hon. gentleman.

**FARM MACHINERY****PROVISION OF CREDIT FOR PURCHASES BY SYNDICATES**

The house resumed, from Tuesday, September 22, consideration of the motion of Mr. Hays for the second reading of Bill No. C-121, to provide for the extension of credit to farm machinery syndicates.

**Mr. Jack Roxburgh (Norfolk):** I rise to speak in favour of Bill No. C-121 because of the view which has been expressed by certain members of the opposition, among them the hon. member for Macleod and the hon. member for Acadia, that the present bill is of no value to the small farmer.

As my hon. friend from Kings said the other day, this is a most important bill as far as the small farmer is concerned. It is something which the small farmer really needs, and it can do a great deal to help him. I think it is well known that every small farmer—

**Mr. Kindt:** Mr. Speaker, may I ask the hon. member a question. I should like to correct a statement the hon. member made. We never made the statement that this would