LABOUR CONDITIONS

INQUIRY AS TO INTRODUCTION OF LABOUR SAFETY 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. Can he now tell us when it is intended to bring the proposed Canada labour safety code before the house?

Hon. J. R. Nicholson (Minister of Labour): At a very early date, Mr. Speaker; I would say within the next 15 days, or so.

COAL

INQUIRY AS TO REPORT ON ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Donald MacInnis (Cape Breton South): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Finance. As it was indicated by the Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys that Dr. Donald had dotted his "i's" and crossed his "t's" over three weeks ago, when does the minister expect to receive the Donald report?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Finance): I am expecting it at any time, Mr. Speaker. I am not absolutely sure but I understand Dr. Donald has now completed it and that it is on its way to me.

Mr. MacInnis (Cape Breton South): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. I wonder whether the Minister of Finance would be a little more specific, as was suggested by the former minister of finance, the hon. member for Davenport (Mr. Gordon).

Mr. Sharp: I have never been more specific in my life, Mr. Speaker.

CANADIAN FLAG

REQUEST FOR REGULATIONS RESPECTING QUALITY OF MATERIAL AND COLOUR

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Reid Scott (Danforth): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Prime Minister, notice of which I have sent him. In view of the continuing use in Canada of Canadian flags containing inferior content, both in colour and texture, which results in an undesirable presentation of the flag, can the Prime Minister assure the house that the government will shortly bring in regulations of departments and the government wishes to governing the quality of material and colour

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content in the flag so that some of the embarrasssing emblems now flying can be eliminated?

Mr. Speaker: Order. This question should be placed on the order paper.

NATIONAL DEFENCE

NEGOTIATION WITH FRENCH GOVERNMENT RESPECTING MYSTÈRE AIRCRAFT

On the orders of the day:

Hon. Marcel Lambert (Edmonton West): My question is to the Minister of Defence Production, Mr. Speaker. The other day I asked the Minister of National Defence a question with regard to the discussions and the stage in which they may be respecting the Mystère aircraft. He was not able to answer the question, saying that this matter lay within the jurisdiction of the Minister of Defence Production. Is that minister in a position to tell us the stage discussions have reached with regard to the acquisition by Canada of some Mystère aircraft?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): A very advanced stage, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Lambert: A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. In this new lexicon of government replies, what is an "advanced stage"? Is it almost at the hatching stage?

Mr. Drury: Almost at the hatching stage, Mr. Speaker.

GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

PROVISION FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW DEPARTMENTS

The house resumed, from Tuesday, May 24, consideration of the motion of Mr. Pearson for the second reading of Bill No. C-178, respecting the organization of the government of Canada and matters related or incidental thereto.

[Translation]

Mr. Henri Latulippe (Compton-Frontenac): Mr. Speaker, last night I was saying that the facts are not conformable to the present situation, that the departments cannot discharge their responsibilities, because something is not functioning properly from an economic point of view. They cannot meet the needs of the population.

Mr. Speaker, we now have a certain number create more. We had 26 departments, and I