

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

has expressed to my department its satisfaction with the manner in which it had been arranged for the general situation to be improved.

**FINANCE****IMPLEMENTATION OF SMALL BUSINESS  
LOANS LEGISLATION**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Frank McGee (York-Scarborough):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Finance. Can he tell the house when the small business loans legislation will come into operation?

**Hon. Donald M. Fleming (Minister of Finance):** I am glad to inform the house that rapid progress has been made; the regulations have been distributed and, I am informed, the forms have been sent to the some 5,000 bank branches throughout Canada. It is expected that lending operations will commence on January 19.

**Mr. W. M. Benidickson (Kenora-Rainy River):** May I ask a supplementary question. When the opposition so facilitated the advancement of this legislation, why is it necessary for the banks to be unaware of this affair until January 19?

**Mr. Fleming (Eglinton):** Mr. Speaker, in the first place it is not a fact that the banks will be unaware of this until January 19. The banks were aware of this measure from the time it was announced in the speech from the throne nearly two months ago. Of course the banks have no access to the regulations before they are made. That is what has been in the course of distribution. So, Mr. Speaker, I am afraid that the hon. member is just barking up the wrong tree completely today.

**CANADIAN BROADCASTING  
CORPORATION****REPORTED SENDING OF STAFF TO LABOUR  
INDOCTRINATION SEMINARS**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. D. M. Fisher (Port Arthur):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Minister of National Revenue whether he could obtain for us the response of the C.B.C. management to the charge contained in the current union publication called *Artech* and made by a Mr. Eldon Wilcox, that the C.B.C., at public expense, has sent management staff to indoctrination seminars on labour relations in the United States sponsored by the American management association, an association sometimes referred to as a union-busting organization.

[Mr. Monteith (Perth).]

**Hon. George C. Nowlan (Minister of National Revenue):** Mr. Speaker, I have no knowledge of the matter to which the hon. member refers. I will make inquiry and report in due course, without accepting responsibility therefor.

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS BY PRIME MINISTER  
AND LEADER OF OPPOSITION**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. L. J. Pigeon (Joliette-L'Assomption-Montcalm):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of National Revenue. Would the minister inquire from the C.B.C. why it was that on the French television network eleven o'clock news broadcast on December 25 the announcer expressed the Prime Minister's Christmas greetings without the latter's photograph appearing on the screen, whereas immediately afterward the announcer presented Mr. Pearson who, for four or five minutes, appeared on the screen and presented his Christmas greetings to the people, who are disgusted with the Leader of the Opposition for preferring Khrushchev's domination to an atomic war?

**Hon. George C. Nowlan (Minister of National Revenue):** I will take up this matter with the C.B.C., Mr. Speaker.

**BUDGET SPEECH—COMPLAINT RESPECTING  
COMMENTATORS**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Speaker:** The question which the hon. member has just asked reminds me that on reading *Hansard* for our last sitting I find, as recorded on page 1032, that I misunderstood the question asked by the hon. member for Roberval. Had I understood it correctly I would probably not have interrupted him at that time, and I wish to express my regret that I did, not having understood the full import of his question at the time.

**INQUIRY AS TO LIVE BROADCAST OF LIBERAL  
RALLY**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. D. M. Fisher (Port Arthur):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Minister of National Revenue a question about the C.B.C. based on a perhaps apocryphal report. Would the minister check into the report that the embarrassing incident of the live microphone on the Liberal rally platform during the television broadcast was an attempt by the C.B.C. to guarantee at least one "live Mike" at the Liberal rally?

**Hon. George C. Nowlan (Minister of National Revenue):** Mr. Speaker, I did not have the opportunity to listen to the program, so I am not in a position to comment thereon.