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Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I doubt whether this question is one that should be asked at this time.

Mr. Dinsdale: Mr. Speaker, this is a matter of great economic urgency in the north. Perhaps I could rephrase my question. Has the manufacture of Ookpiks at the Fort Chimo co-operative been discontinued?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): Not to my knowledge, Mr. Speaker.

GRAIN

ALBERTA—REQUEST FOR INCREASED WHEAT QUOTAS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. C. S. Smallwood (Battle River-Camrose): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Trade and Commerce, and in his absence I will direct it to either the acting minister or the Prime Minister. In view of the fact that as of October 2 there were still 213 points in Alberta without a one bushel wheat quota, can the minister inform the house what action the wheat board is taking to rectify this very serious situation?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Acting Minister of Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, I will check into this matter and provide an answer tomorrow.

Mr. Smallwood: I have a supplementary question. As of the same date there were 197 points in Alberta on a one bushel quota as compared to 548 points in Saskatchewan. Will this discrimination be rectified after October 11, which is an important date—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE RAIDS ON OFFICES OF SERBIAN

NATIONAL COMMITTEE

On the orders of the day:

Hon. Michael Starr (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct another question to the right hon. Prime Minister concerning the question I asked on September 28. At that time I inquired whether the Prime Minister had received correspondence dated September 16 from the Serbian national committee, whether he had acknowledged it, and what was the nature of his reply regarding this complaint. Can the Prime Minister answer this question now?

Inquiries of the Ministry

Hon. L. T. Pennell (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, as the minister responsible to parliament for the R.C.M.P. perhaps I might be permitted to deal with the question raised by the hon. member for Ontario. A letter under date of September 16 was received in the office of the Prime Minister on September 28. Acknowledgement of receipt of that letter was sent on September 29. A reply in substance will be forwarded from my office as soon as I have ascertained the facts concerning certain matters raised in the letter.

EXPO '67

REQUEST FOR FURTHER SHOWING OF FILM ON CANADA

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Harold E. Winch (Vancouver East): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Prime Minister. In view of the urgent need of a decision will the Prime Minister have immediate studies made as to the possibility of an agreement being reached to have the world famous film about Canada, which is being shown at the telephone pavilion at Expo, and already viewed by over 5 million people, retained and shown across Canada?

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, that matter is already under consideration. I am taking an active personal interest in this because, as I am sure all members will agree, this is something that should be shown in this country.

AGRICULTURE

FREIGHT SUBSIDIES ON TRANSPORTATION OF FEED GRAIN

On the orders of the day:

Mr. R. K. Andras (Port Arthur): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Ministry of Forestry and Rural Development. Can he tell us what decision if any has been made by the Canadian livestock board regarding an appeal for transportation subsidies on feed grain, to apply in that part of Ontario west of the lakehead?

Hon. Maurice Sauvé (Minister of Forestry and Rural Development): Mr. Speaker, an announcement will be made next week by the board in respect of the payment of transportation costs from the lakehead to various regions of northwestern Ontario.

Mr. E. F. Whelan (Essex South): Mr. Speaker, the minister informed the house last week that the board was considering similar