

Which is the policy on foreign investment? That is all I want to know.

Mr. Winters: I can only reflect policy as I deem it to be, and the policy I reflected in the speeches I made in San Francisco and Los Angeles are the policies of the government as I deem them to be.

EXPO '67

REPORTED DISMISSAL OF MEMBER OF YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Warren Allmand (Notre-Dame-de-Grâce): Mr. Speaker, I have another question for the Minister of Trade and Commerce. Last week in this house the hon. member for Cumberland asked the minister to investigate certain alleged discriminatory hiring practices at Expo in the youth pavilion. This matter was raised in Montreal originally by Mr. Oberfeld, who was a member of the Expo youth advisory council. I understand that because he raised this matter in Montreal Mr. Oberfeld has been fired from the youth advisory council. I would ask the minister if he has heard about this, and will he investigate the same?

Hon. Robert Winters (Minister of Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, I cannot imagine the firing, if such it was, being for that reason; but I will investigate this matter and report.

IMMIGRATION

SECURITY CHECKS ON PROSPECTIVE IMMIGRANTS FROM U.K. AND IRELAND

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Robert Muir (Cape Breton North and Victoria): Mr. Speaker, my question is to the minister in charge of immigration. I would ask him whether there is a security check on British and Irish immigrants. I would also refer to a recent statement of the minister that in future there will not be a security check on emigrants from France. This statement may have been misinterpreted, but I would like it clarified.

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, there is always some kind of security check on immigrants, mainly because we want to know of any criminal records of prospective immigrants. There are just as restrictive tests in respect of Great Britain, and the same thing will apply to France in the future.

Inquiries of the Ministry

HOUSE OF COMMONS

REPORTED DISSATISFACTION AMONG STAFF RESPECTING PROMOTIONS, ETC.

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Frank Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the Minister of National Revenue may I direct a question to the house leader with respect to collective bargaining matters for employees in the public service. I would ask the minister whether he would mind looking into the dissatisfaction that exists with respect to changed rules regarding promotions, the feeling that there is discrimination in the selection of people for promotion, and the general collapse of morale amongst the security staff in the house.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I do not think the question is in order on a number of grounds.

CANADIAN CENTENNIAL

POSSIBLE COUNTERFEITING OF DOLLAR BILLS —PRICE OF GOLD COINS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Raymond Langlois (Mégantic): Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Minister of Finance. Is the minister taking any special precautionary measures to prevent counterfeiting of the centennial bills, which bear no serial number at the moment?

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

Mr. R. A. Webb (Hastings-Frontenac): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Finance. In the past few weeks the public generally have been advised that in order to obtain a \$20 gold centennial piece they must purchase a package of coins at a cost of \$40. In a recent edition it was said that *Reader's Digest* are offering 200 of these \$20 gold pieces as contest prizes.

I wonder whether the minister could tell us how *Reader's Digest* could purchase these \$20 gold pieces.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I do not think the question is sufficiently urgent to warrant it being asked or answered at this time.

Mr. Webb: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, the Canadian public have been advised that they have to pay \$40 and can only buy these gold pieces in coin sets, while a publishing firm is buying them for \$20. I think the question is urgent.