Inquiries of the Ministry

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): Mr. Speaker, I do not know whether the movie industry was represented at today's meeting. I did not study the list of invitees that carefully. While I am sure hon. members are concerned about the prices of movies, and without degrading in any way the importance of obtaining reasonably priced entertainment, I think there are some other areas of the economy which have a priority position on the demands of the Prices and Incomes Commission.

Mr. Howe: Mr. Speaker, this item was in the recent report of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. They thought it was a contributor. Why does the minister not feel the same?

Mr. Thomas M. Bell (Saint John-Lancaster): A supplementary question. Would the minister mind investigating the movie being shown in a certain theatre on Rideau Street in the city of Ottawa to see if the people of Ottawa are getting value for their money?

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

## HARBOURS

COME-BY-CHANCE—PROVISION OF DOCKING FACILITIES FOR OIL REFINERY OPERATIONS

Mr. Walter C. Carter (St. John's West): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Public Works. On January 21 I asked the minister whether his department had received a request from the government of Newfoundland and a private industry for the provision of a docking facility at Come-By-Chance. I believe the minister replied that an application had been received but that certain information was not forthcoming from the private industry. Can the minister now say whether that information has been received and what the general situation is with regard to this matter?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): Mr. Speaker, I have had no further word.

## POLLUTION

REQUEST FOR PUBLISHING OF LIST SHOWING PHOSPHATE CONTENT IN DETERGENTS

Mr. Randolph Harding (Kootenay West): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. In view of the increasing demand by Canadians for information on the phosphate content of various detergent and soap products, will

the minister publish a list of all detergents showing the percentage of phosphate which each detergent brand contains as a guide to those Canadians who want to start the fight against phosphate pollution now?

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): Mr. Speaker, I think that question ought to be addressed to my colleague, the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, who is co-ordinating the government's anti-pollution program. I understand that recently such a table was published by Pollution Probe of Toronto.

## GRAIN

WHEAT—STATEMENT RESPECTING REDUCED
PRODUCTION

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Prince Albert): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Prime Minister. Can he say when the minister who reports for the Wheat Board will be back in the House? Also, will he tell the House whether the minister was uttering government policy when he is reported to have said in London that farmers will likely be advised by the government to reduce wheat production in the next crop year and that the advice will be accompanied by an advance announcement of the wheat delivery quota for the new crop year?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I shall have to consult with the minister about both these matters. He was away in London and I have not been in communication with him.

## AGRICULTURE

SUGGESTED AMENDMENT OF FARMERS' CREDI-TORS ARRANGEMENT ACT TO PROTECT DEBTORS

Mr. A. P. Gleave (Saskatoon-Biggar): Mr. Speaker, may I address a question to the Minister of Agriculture. In view of the representations made by the National Farmers Union in regard to the debt position of western farmers, is the government prepared to update the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act in order to give the farmers some protection against excessive demands on the part of creditors?

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, there has not been any concrete proposal made with respect to this matter. However, it was raised by a number of other