HOUSING

SPECULATIVE LOANS UNDER WINTER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

On the orders of the day:

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington South): I should like to direct a question to the Postmaster General, who answers in the house with respect to the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation. Will direct loans on speculative housing be made available through the corporation this fall? If they will not, the winter incentive home building program will not be assisted very much.

Hon. J. R. Nicholson (Postmaster General): I am glad to be able to inform the hon. member and other members of the house that in connection with the winter incentive housing program, arrangements will be made similar to those made last year, for substantially the same period of time, with regard to speculative loans.

EDUCATION

MANITOBA-APPLICATION FORMS FOR STUDENT LOANS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Finance. In his absence I would direct it either to the acting minister or to the parliamentary secretary. Is the government aware of the fact that within the province of Manitoba the forms being provided for students wishing to apply for loans under the federal government's student loan plan are those previously used by the Manitoba government itself? And is the hon, gentleman aware that these forms call for information not provided for in the government's own legislation, for example an affidavit by parents stating their financial position, and so on? I wonder whether this matter could be looked into over the week end in the hope that if something is being done which is not in accord with the understanding which was reached, it may be corrected.

Mr. L. T. Pennell (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Finance): I will be glad to take the question as notice and bring it to the attention of the minister, who will be returning shortly.

report in the Toronto Daily Star last night think the hon. member for Burnaby-Coquitthat the student loan program, at least in lam has a copy, it is stated that the only

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Ontario, is bogged down by red tape, I wonder whether the parliamentary secretary to the Minister of Finance would look into this situation, too, over the week end so these roadblocks, if they do exist, can be cleared out of the way.

Mr. Pennell: I will be pleased to accept the suggestion of the hon, member and to bring this matter also to the attention of the minister.

INCREASED ASSISTANCE TO UNIVERSITY CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

On the orders of the day:

Hon. W. G. Dinsdale (Brandon-Souris): I have a question for the Prime Minister. Having regard to the extreme crowding of university facilities due to the current soaring enrolment figures, can the right hon. gentleman inform the house when the increased assistance to university construction programs announced during his speech on the Brandon College campus on March 7, 1963 will be implemented?

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): No, Mr. Speaker. As soon as I am able to say something on this important matter I will be glad to do so, but I cannot be specific at the moment.

DEFENCE PRODUCTION

TENDERS FOR REPAIRS TO H.M.C.S. "PROVIDER"

On the orders of the day: Mr. T. C. Douglas (Burnaby-Coquitlam):

Mr. Speaker, may I ask the minister in charge of defence production or the Associate Minister of National Defence if either of them has received protests from the Halifax-Dartmouth and district labour council regarding the fact that H.M.C.S. Provider is not going to be repaired in the Halifax docks, and what action is being taken with regard to these protests?

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): Mr. Speaker, I did receive such a telegram. While the repairs to Provider had been sought by competitive tenders, the tender of the Halifax shipyard was somewhat higher than that of the Saint John dockyard, and as a consequence the contract has been awarded to the Saint John Drydock Company rather than to Halifax. I should Mr. Reid Scott (Danforth): In view of a point out that in the telegram, of which I