

*Inquiries of the Ministry***LABOUR CONDITIONS****EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS**

**Mr. W. B. Nesbitt (Oxford):** I have a question for the Minister of Manpower and Immigration, Mr. Speaker. Has the minister any immediate and specific plan for providing summer employment for students who are now leaving our universities in great numbers?

**Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Minister of Manpower and Immigration):** Yes, Mr. Speaker.

**Mr. Nesbitt:** Could the minister tell us what this plan is, and how soon it will come into effect?

**Mr. Speaker:** Before the minister rises, may I point out that the hon. member is asking a question which is very general in nature, and that the type of statement he is inviting the minister to make would normally be made on motions.

**Mr. Nesbitt:** Perhaps I could put it this way: Can the minister tell us how soon he will make a statement on motions providing us with this information?

**Mr. MacEachen:** No, Mr. Speaker.

**NATIONAL DEFENCE****NATO—NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF CANADIAN FORCES**

**Hon. D. S. Harkness (Calgary Centre):** I should like to direct a question to the Prime Minister, Mr. Speaker. Has the Canadian government informed our NATO allies, or some of them, that Canada intends to withdraw all its forces from Europe except one battalion?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Not that I know of, Mr. Speaker.

**Mr. Harkness:** Have the members of the military committee of NATO, who are responsible for military planning, been given information along that line?

**Mr. Trudeau:** I hope not, Mr. Speaker.

**CONSULTATION WITH TEACHERS OVERSEAS BEFORE CONTRACT CHANGE**

**Mr. David Lewis (York South):** I have a question for the Minister of National Defence arising out of a statement made by the Canadian Teachers Federation. Can the minister inform the house whether he has refused to consult teachers, or the federation

what I said, was that responsible bodies such as the provincial legislatures of the three prairie provinces as well as the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, the Farmers Union and a number of other bodies had made these representations to the government. Certainly, if responsible bodies such as these make representations, this government takes them seriously.

**Mr. S. J. Korchinski (Mackenzie):** I should like to ask the minister whether the government is now in a position to award an acreage payment to western farmers, something which the government headed by my right hon. friend from Prince Albert did.

**Mr. Olson:** That, also, is part of the representations which are under consideration.

[*Translation*]

**AGRICULTURE****SUGGESTION THAT POLICY BE PUBLICIZED**

**Mr. Gilbert Rondeau (Shefford):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Agriculture.

Since the minister has just said that whatever the government does will be just, does he not think that if the government waits too long before announcing its farm policy, the farmers will be led to believe that whatever the government does will be just for fun?

**Mr. Speaker:** It seems to me the hon. member's question is rather argumentative and, therefore, is out of order.

[*English*]

**HOUSING****AUSTRALIA—SALES OF SUBURBAN HOMES**

**Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings):** I have a question for the Prime Minister, Mr. Speaker. Could the Prime Minister have an appropriate member of his government contact the government of Australia and acquaint himself with the housing policies of that government which have made it possible for builders to sell first class three-bedroom suburban homes for \$13,000 on a down payment of \$1,200 and a mortgage at 5 per cent?

**Mr. Speaker:** I do not think a question in this form is acceptable by the Chair.

**Mr. Hees:** With great deference, on a point of order: If I do not give the Prime Minister the background he will make an awful mess of the answer.