

Board. In view of the fact that the western grain farmer is now subsidizing the eastern feeder to the tune of about eight or ten cents a bushel, does the government intend to compensate the growers of feed grains in western Canada for that loss?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Justice): Mr. Speaker, it would be wrong indeed to refer to the pricing practice of the moment as a subsidy by anyone to anyone else. The Canadian Wheat Board, which the hon. member certainly ordinarily supports, has made a decision about the selling practices it ought to adopt in order to protect the market in eastern Canada for western Canada feed grain as one of the most important markets in fact available to the western producers of grain.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Again there are a number of members seeking to ask supplementaries. I think I owe it to hon. members to indicate there must be a limit to supplementary questions because from day to day we manage to consider only two or three matters. I know I hear from other members who are deprived from day to day of an opportunity to ask questions, and we perhaps are being unfair to these hon. members. The hon. member for Dartmouth-Halifax East.

Mr. Forrestall: Mr. Speaker, my question is not a supplementary.

Mr. Speaker: I will recognize the hon. member for Dartmouth-Halifax East.

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URBAN AFFAIRS

CONSTRUCTION OF COMMUNICATIONS SPIRE IN PROPOSED TORONTO METRO CENTRE—POSSIBILITY OF FLIGHT HAZARD

Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Dartmouth-Halifax East): Mr. Speaker, may I ask the Minister of Transport a question with regard to the 1,800 foot thing that is going to be built in Toronto. I do not know whether it has been named. Has the minister assured himself through his departmental officials that this does not in fact constitute a very serious flight hazard, particularly for Toronto Island airport but also for the main international airport at Malton? Specifically, has the Department of Transport given the planners authority or approval for a structure of this height?

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[Translation]

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, ever since it has been announced that a tower would be built in Toronto, first by the Canadian Pacific and then by the Canadian National, contacts have been made with our department, studies have been carried out not only about Malton, but also about the Hamilton airport and the one which is planned for Pickering. It has been concluded that the tower will not be a hazard for air traffic.

Oral Questions

[English]

CANADIAN CULTURE

MULTICULTURALISM—MAINTENANCE OF RIGHTS OF CULTURAL GROUPS FOLLOWING TAKEOVER OF RADIO STATION CKSB BY CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Mr. Paul Yewchuk (Athabasca): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of State responsible for multiculturalism. Can he give us his assurance that the takeover by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation of radio station CKSB in Winnipeg, which until now has been functioning as a multilingual station, will not result in the loss of the customary rights enjoyed by other cultural groups than those using the two official languages?

Hon. Stanley Haidasz (Minister of State): Mr. Speaker, I have discussed this matter with my colleagues in the cabinet and everything possible is being done.

Mr. Yewchuk: Would the minister ensure that the hearing on the application to take over CKSB, now scheduled by the Canadian Radio-Television Commission to be held in Montreal on February 19, will be transferred to Winnipeg so that the people concerned can be heard?

Mr. Haidasz: Mr. Speaker, I have made representations on this matter to the chairman of the CRTC.

Mr. G. W. Baldwin (Peace River): Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question. In view of the electrifying and earth-shattering statement by the head in the Prime Minister's office that the Prime Minister has formed a new emotional attachment with the Canadian people, will the Minister of State not discuss this matter with the Prime Minister, or is this posture merely related only to the statement made last month by the Prime Minister that the primary responsibility of the government is to stay in office?

An hon. Member: Valentine's day.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

MULTICULTURALISM—POLICY OF CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Mr. Jake Epp (Provencher): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Secretary of State and it is in respect of the change in radio station CKSB. Will the Secretary of State ask the Commissioner of Official Languages to investigate the report that it is CBC policy not to allow languages other than French and English to be used over its facilities and whether this is in keeping with rule 38 of the Official Languages Act?

Hon. James Hugh Faulkner (Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, may I point out that any citizen can make such a representation to the Commissioner of Official Languages.