

**Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce):** No, Mr. Speaker, I cannot confirm nor deny that. I will find out.

### AGRICULTURE

#### AVAILABILITY OF LOWER PRICED PESTICIDES

**Mr. H. W. Danforth (Kent-Essex):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct this question to the Minister of Agriculture. Since farmers from coast to coast are now approaching the planting season, can the minister indicate whether any action has been taken or progress made by the government in an effort to make pesticides and other agricultural chemicals available to Canadian farmers at a price at least comparable to the price paid by farmers for the same chemicals in the United States.

**Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture):** I am sure the hon. member is well aware that we do not have any legislation which authorizes us to control the prices of these products. I think the hon. member is also aware that in so far as tariffs and that sort of thing are concerned, there is no great problem in that area.

### INDIAN AFFAIRS

#### YELLOWKNIFE, N.W.T.—REGULATIONS GOVERNING AKAITCHO HALL

**Mr. David Lewis (York South):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to address a question to the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. Some weeks ago I asked the minister whether he would consider tabling a copy of the new regulations governing the conditions at the student's residence at Akaitcho Hall in Yellowknife. I understand he now has a copy and I should like to inquire whether he would be in a position to table it.

[Translation]

**Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development):** Mr. Speaker, I have here the English and French versions of those regulations and the statement on the standards used and on the activity program for the students, which I want to table immediately in both languages, for the information of the house.

[English]

**Mr. Speaker:** Is it agreed?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

### Inquiries of the Ministry

[Translation]

### NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

#### SERIOUS ERRORS AND INADEQUACIES IN RECORDING OF EXPENDITURES

**Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development):** Mr. Speaker, I want to answer another question put to me a few days ago.

The hon. member for Skeena asked me a question about the findings of the Auditor-General in regard to the Northwest Territories and the answer is that the Commissioner for the Northwest Territories had meetings with the Auditor General on this matter. I am informed that they both agreed that the accounts referred to by the Auditor-General have been settled by the government of the Northwest Territories.

[English]

### GRAIN

#### ASSISTANCE IN FARM STORAGE COSTS

**Hon. W. G. Dinsdale (Brandon-Souris):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Agriculture. In view of the fact that the quantity of grain shipped at all points in western Canada during the current crop year will not likely exceed the six bushel quota, would the minister assist in financing the cost of new on-the-farm storage by granting an additional cash advance of 50 cents per bushel over and above the six bushel quota?

**Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture):** We will take the hon. member's question as a representation.

### HOUSING

#### THOMPSON, MAN.—AVAILABILITY OF MORTGAGE MONEY

**Mr. Robert Simpson (Churchill):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the minister in charge of housing. In his absence, however, perhaps the acting minister could either answer it or take it as notice. On April 29 I inquired into the availability of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation mortgage funds for the construction of high rise apartments at Thompson, Manitoba. At that time I was advised that the application was under consideration. I wonder whether I might now have an answer as to whether or not the application is approved, or when it will be approved.

**Hon. James Richardson (Minister of Supply and Services):** There is nothing further to report at this time.