

**Mr. Diefenbaker:** So the Prime Minister will look into this and find out what happened in the transition from the blues to *Hansard*, will he?

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### HEALTH

#### BAN ON CIGARETTE ADVERTISING ANNOUNCED BY BRITISH COLUMBIA—FEDERAL POSITION CONCERNING LEGISLATION OR VOLUNTARY PHASE-OUT

**Mr. Barry Mather (Surrey-White Rock):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question I wanted to ask the Minister of National Health and Welfare but perhaps in his absence someone opposite will take notice of it. Having in mind the very welcome decision by the government of British Columbia over the weekend announcing a ban on all cigarette advertising commencing in September, just what is the situation at the federal level? Are we going to have an early introduction of similar legislation or is the department, in consultation with the industry, seeking a voluntary-phase-out of cigarette advertising by the industry?

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### AGRICULTURE

#### PROPOSED FARM ADJUSTMENT PROGRAM—REPRESENTATION FOR ORGANIZATIONS ON COMMITTEE

**Mr. R. R. Southam (Qu'Appelle-Moose Mountain):** Mr. Speaker, I had a question for the Minister of Agriculture who, according to the roster, was to have been in the House this afternoon. In his absence I will direct it to the acting minister. My question refers to the meeting that the minister held on the weekend with the provincial Ministers of Agriculture to discuss a proposed nationwide farm adjustment program. In setting up the committee to deal further with the question and report back to a meeting of deputy ministers on April 28, will farm organizations have representatives on this committee?

[Translation]

**Mr. Marcel Lessard (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Agriculture):** Mr. Speaker, I would inform the hon. member that the Minister of Agriculture is away from the House because he is meeting today with the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States.

As to the question raised by the hon. member, I will make note of it for the minister's attention.

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### FINANCE

#### EFFECT OF APPRECIATION IN CANADIAN DOLLAR ON EXPORT INDUSTRIES—POLICY STATEMENT PRIOR TO BUDGET

**Mr. H. W. Danforth (Kent-Essex):** I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Finance, Mr. Speaker. In light of the current alarming trend and the growing concern about the dampening effect of the appreciation

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of the Canadian dollar on our export industries, is the minister now planning a statement in the House on government policy on this subject prior to his spring budget?

**Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance):** Mr. Speaker, I really could not indicate that.

**Mr. Danforth:** Mr. Speaker, may I ask the minister if he is considering an early meeting with representatives of these industries to endeavour to reach an early resolution of this problem which has such a direct bearing on Canadian job opportunities?

**Mr. Benson:** I meet with industries as they request. As a matter of fact, about two weeks ago I met with the pulp and paper industry in this regard.

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### YOUTH

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH PROGRAM—EXPEDITING OF APPLICATIONS IN ATLANTIC PROVINCES—PROVINCIAL QUOTAS

**Mr. Jack Marshall (Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe):** My question is for the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. In view of the fact that of the first 200 applications received under the Opportunities for Youth program only 14 came from the Atlantic provinces where unemployment is highest and the need greatest, will the minister initiate a stepped-up information program and decentralize staff from Ottawa to the provinces in order to expedite applications?

**Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister of Manpower and Immigration):** Mr. Speaker, the information is certainly available in the various regions of the country—

**Some hon. Members:** No!

**Mr. Lang:** —and the number of applications indicates that people are aware of it. I think the hon. member might help by stepping up his information about these programs.

**Mr. McGrath:** That is your job.

**Mr. Marshall:** To answer the minister, Mr. Speaker, I am sending out more information than is coming from his office. Would the minister consider again a proposal I put to him last week to allocate quotas to those provinces where the need is greatest for student employment?

**Mr. Lang:** Mr. Speaker, the general approach of the government has been to attempt to relate programs dealing with unemployment to the areas where unemployment is highest. I am sure this will be taken into consideration with regard to this program as well.

#### OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH PROGRAM—CRITERIA USED IN CONSIDERING APPLICATIONS

**Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville):** I have a supplementary question for the Minister of Manpower and