

Oral Questions

Mr. Yewchuk: A final supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. In view of the fact that the error was discovered approximately on June 21 and letters were written and dated at that time, can the minister say why they were not sent to the farmers until after the election was held?

Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, that is not accurate. Many farmers received letters before the election was held.

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IMMIGRATION**INQUIRY AS TO ASSISTANCE IN INTEGRATING IMMIGRANT CHILDREN INTO CANADIAN SCHOOL SYSTEM**

Mr. Steven E. Paproski (Edmonton Centre): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. What assistance is the minister giving to aid school boards across the country to integrate immigrant children into the Canadian system and help ensure that racism will not be allowed to raise its ugly head in our Canadian cities?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, the question of the education of children, whether immigrant or not, is primarily one of provincial jurisdiction and responsibility. However, in certain areas of the country there have been discussions with provincial authorities as to what assistance might be possible through the various range of federal programs, but no definite commitment to a program has been made as yet.

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MULTICULTURALISM**DATE OF REPORT OF CANADIAN CONSULTATIVE COUNCIL—REQUEST FOR TABLING**

Mr. Steven E. Paproski (Edmonton Centre): Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question for the minister in charge of multiculturalism. On March 3, 1975 the minister stated that the report by the Canadian Consultative Council on multiculturalism would be released in the near future. Would the minister indicate to the House when the report will be published and whether he intends to table it in the House?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of Labour): Mr. Speaker, the report is at the printers now. I am hoping it will be ready the latter part of June or mid-June and at that time I will be pleased to table it.

SUPPLY AND SERVICES**POSSIBLE USE BY GOVERNMENT OF PRIVATE MAIL DELIVERY SERVICES—REQUEST FOR STATEMENT OF COST**

Mr. Peter C. Bawden (Calgary South): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Supply and Services. Would the minister say whether the government of

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Canada is utilizing private mail delivery services in this country and, if so, why and at what cost?

[Translation]

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services): Mr. Speaker, I do not know whether the services being used are in any way competitive with the postal service. I am sure that such is not the case, but I shall surely inquire into the matter and submit an answer to the hon. member.

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[English]

CONSUMER AFFAIRS**ALLEGED MISLEADING ADVERTISING BY POST OFFICE—GOVERNMENT ACTION**

Mr. Peter C. Bawden (Calgary South): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker, which I will direct to the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. In view of the fact that the Post Office is still in a shambles, would the minister say why he is not fulfilling his responsibilities to the Canadian people by preventing further misleading advertising that assures Canadians of next day delivery, which is not true and does not work?

[Translation]

Hon. André Ouellet (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): Mr. Speaker, if the hon. member has some direct complaint about publicity seen or heard by him yesterday, he could submit such a complaint to me and I shall be glad to study it. But, in my opinion, he has not witnessed such publicity in recent days.

[English]

Mr. Bawden: A final supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. The minister knows very well that the mail service in this country is not meeting the statements contained in advertising being presented right across Canada. I should like to know why the minister is not taking steps to do something about it, and why he has one set of rules for the government of Canada and another set of rules for business and other Canadians?

[Translation]

Mr. Ouellet: For two reasons, Mr. Speaker. First, I fully trust the present Postmaster General, who will surely find a way to settle the conflict. Second, I have not witnessed such publicity in the past few days and I challenge the hon. member to submit to me such publicity if he has witnessed it recently.

[English]

IMMIGRATION**USE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT INTELLIGENCE UNIT—REQUEST FOR REPORT**

Mr. Perrin Beatty (Wellington-Grey-Dufferin-Waterloo): Mr. Speaker, last Tuesday the Minister of Manpower and Immigration took as notice a question that I asked him in regard to allegations by some police forces in the