

(3) Does the Government consider that this, the oldest and largest responsible boys' organization, is not as worthy of support as some of the hippy and activist groups already supported?

(4) Could the Deputy Government Leader explain to this chamber why the submissions of March 1971 of the Boy Scouts of Canada to the Department of the Secretary of State suggesting 116 projects covering 10 provinces, for the total value of \$185,000 and involving 180 boys for the benefit of 12,000 other boys, did not even receive the courtesy of an acknowledgement?

These questions have been in the form of a letter from the Secretary of State, dated June 23, 1971, which read as follows:

In answer to your letter of June 16, 1971 regarding the Honourable Senator Molson's question to the Honourable Senator Langlois in connection with the Opportunities for Youth Program, I wish to inform you that the total amount of money allocated for the Program is correctly \$23.4 millions. Those projects, submitted by the Boy Scouts of Canada that we accepted are:

"Camp Lloaskite" by the 18th Scout Group in Calgary, Alberta amount: \$12,125.

"Project Beachhead" by the 100th Rover Crew in Windsor Ontario amount: \$5,380.

With regard to the third question I wish to point out that the federal Government recognizes the validity and worthiness of the Boy Scouts Association. In this respect, the Citizenship Branch provides annually grants up to \$15,000 plus the moneys made available to them through the Young Voyageur program. The Department of Health and Welfare also provides them with substantial grants.

In respect to the Opportunities for Youth Program, all projects submitted were studied on an individual basis and evaluated according to their compliance with program criteria, which included the involvement of young people in the development, management and evaluation of projects, the provision of benefits to the community and the development of new services. In addition, the cost per job was considered, as was the regional and sub-regional distribution of jobs. All projects submitted were considered on the same basis and rated on these criteria. You can be assured that all projects submitted prior to the April 15th deadline were given careful and serious consideration and were analyzed within these criteria.

In answer to the fourth question, in view of the large number of applications received, totalling some 13,000, telephone contacts were used rather than written acknowledgements; I was also assured that several discussions were held between officials of the Boy Scouts Association and the Opportunities for Youth Program.

Hon. Mr. Burchill: May I ask who wrote that letter?

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Hon. Mr. Langlois: It was written by the Secretary of State to the Leader of the Government in the Senate (Hon. Mr. Martin).

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BILL TO AMEND—REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Leave having been given to revert to Reports of Committee:

Hon. Salter A. Hayden, Chairman of the Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce, reported that the committee had considered Bill S-9, to amend the Copyright Act, and had directed that the bill be reported without amendment.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. Langlois moved that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for third reading at the next sitting.

Motion agreed to.

POST OFFICE ACT

BILL TO AMEND—REPORT OF COMMITTEE

Hon. J. Campbell Haig, Chairman of the Standing Senate Committee on Transport and Communications, reported that the committee had considered Bill C-240, to amend the Post Office Act, and had directed that the bill be reported without amendment.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the third time?

Hon. Mr. Denis: Now.

Hon. Mr. White: Next sitting.

Hon. Mr. Denis moved that the bill be placed on the Orders of the Day for third reading at the next sitting. Motion agreed to.

COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION

GENERAL CONFERENCE IN KUALA LUMPUR

Leave having been given to revert to Notices of Inquiries:

Hon. Allister Grosart: Honourable senators, with leave of the Senate and notwithstanding Rule 44(2), I give notice that on Tuesday, June 29, 1971, I will call the attention of the Senate to the forthcoming General Conference of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association to be held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, from 3 to 18 September, 1971, and in particular to the participation therein of a delegation from Canada.

Honourable senators, I believe this is the traditional motion which has been passed over the years. I have no intention whatsoever of making a speech, but I will ask leave of the Senate to place in the record of our proceedings merely the agenda of that conference.