

## WINTER WORKS PROGRAMS

**Question No. 45—Mr. Clermont:**

1. For the years 1958-59, 1959-60 and 1960-61, and with respect to each province: (a) how many municipalities, cities or towns have submitted projects to the federal government under the winter works assistance program? (b) of these projects, how many have been approved? (c) what is the total estimated cost of the projects which have been approved? (d) what is the estimated amount of the federal contribution to the cost of these projects in terms of direct wages?

2. (a) which provinces are at the present time contributing to the winter works assistance program? (b) what is the amount of the contribution made by each of these provinces?

## EXPORTS TO AREA CONTROL LIST COUNTRIES

**Question No. 47—Mr. Carter:**

What is the value of Canadian exports to each of the countries listed on the area control list established under the Export and Import Permits Act for the years 1957, 1958, 1959 and 1960 to date?

**Mr. Hees:** Return tabled.

## MOTION FOR PAPERS

## RICHELIEU RIVER—REPORT ON DREDGING

**Motion No. 20—Mr. Cardin (for Mr. Dupuis):**

For a copy of each of the reports made by the economists and engineers of the Department of Transport, in connection with the possible dredging of the Richelieu river between the St. Lawrence river and lake Champlain.

**Hon. Leon Balcer (Minister of Transport):** Mr. Speaker, a similar motion was called on Monday. At that time I explained that these documents are departmental reports and that therefore they are privileged under the established practice of this house. Therefore I wonder whether the hon. member for Richelieu-Vercheres (Mr. Cardin) would be agreeable to withdrawing his motion.

**Mr. Cardin:** Mr. Speaker, I think the house will notice that all that is being asked for in this motion is the tabling of reports of economists and engineers of the Department of Transport. Owing to the wide interest that has been shown, and to the studies that have been made by organizations both in Canada and in the United States, I would urge the government and I would even insist that the government make these reports public.

**Mr. Speaker:** I am advised that the hon. member who acts on behalf of the hon. member in whose name this motion stands is not in a position to withdraw the motion. By consent of the house, I suggest that the motion stand until the mover is here. Agreed?

**Mr. Cardin:** No, Mr. Speaker. On behalf of Mr. Dupuis I would insist that the papers be tabled—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. I am advised that the hon. member has not the authority to move

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the motion, if it is opposed, nor to withdraw it. There seems to be no other course but to allow the matter to stand until the member in whose name it stands is present. Is it agreed that this motion stand?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

Motion stands.

## LABOUR CONDITIONS

REFERENCE TO EMPLOYMENT FIGURES  
IN DEPARTMENTAL RELEASE

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. L. B. Pearson (Leader of the Opposition):** I should like to ask the Minister of Finance whether, when he said last evening that employment had continued to increase in this country, he was aware that a dominion bureau of statistics publication issued this morning reported that over-all employment between the two quarters, that is the second and third quarters of 1960, remained unchanged.

**Hon. Donald M. Fleming (Minister of Finance):** I think I was aware of most of the statistics upon which the release which has been issued today was based. I think if the Leader of the Opposition will look at the release he will see that there were some 99,000 more persons employed on the date given in the release than were employed on the same date last year.

## GRAIN

## INQUIRY AS TO INCREASE IN DELIVERY QUOTAS

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Hazen Argue (Assiniboia):** I wish to address a question to the Minister of Agriculture arising out of the low grain delivery quotas in existence on the prairies, almost 1,300 of one bushel or less and 700 have a lower quota than this time last year. Can the minister hold out any hope or give any assurance that at an early date grain delivery quotas can be raised to the two or three bushel level?

**Hon. Alvin Hamilton (Minister of Agriculture):** Deliveries of spring wheat grades have been held back this year until a few weeks ago because of our success in selling oats and Durum wheat, thereby increasing the cash income to farmers in western Canada. I think all the indications are that we shall be catching up with spring wheat quotas in the next few months or so. I should like to emphasize that what really counts is the number of bushels sold by farmers to the elevators, which is higher this year than last year.