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STEPS TO PROTECT CHILDREN FROM POISONOUS PRODUCTS

Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. It is prompted by a coroner's jury request that products such as lemon oil furniture polish be required to bear lables on the container which will more clearly warn of the poisonous nature of such products. What steps is the minister taking to ensure that our children will be protected from such hazardous products?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, I would advise the hon. member that that question is more appropriately one for the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, who has responsibility for this matter.

## IMMIGRATION

ENTRY OF BLACK PANTHERS INTO CANADA

Mr. W. B. Nesbitt (Oxford): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Manpower and Immigration related to a question I asked in the House last Friday of the then Acting Prime Minister, the Solicitor General. It has to do with complaints from the governments of Saskatchewan and Alberta concerning the activities in this country of the Black Panther's organization. Is the Minister of Manpower and Immigration in a position to answer the question now or, indeed, the Solicitor General, since I understand that three of them have been kicked out of Canada?

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, I have examined the question and in reply I would say that three members of the Black Panthers were admitted to Canada last week to attend various functions at universities in the west at the invitation of the students unions at these universities. These people were admitted under the policy that we have been pursuing for a considerable time, namely, that otherwise prohibited persons are permitted to visit the country for a short period at the invitation of a reputable organization if there is no evidence that any disorder will result. This policy was carried forward in this case.

However, it was later discovered that two of the persons had misrepresented their identities at the border. When this was discovered an inquiry was held and an order of deportation was effected. In addition, two of these

persons were prosecuted and fined for the misrepresentation which took place at the border. This was an issue aside and apart from implementation of the policy respecting admission of prohibited persons into Canada for short periods.

## ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

ALLEGATION OF HARASSMENT AT LIBERAL CONFERENCE

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Solicitor General. In view of the fact that the Minister of Justice has already expressed concern about a student's charge that RCMP officers harassed him at the Liberal conference at Harrison Hot Springs, can the minister indicate to the House whether he is at present undertaking an investigation of this matter?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, the minister already has.

Mr. Nystrom: A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Can the minister indicate to the House what are the results of this investigation?

Mr. McIlraith: Yes, Mr. Speaker, the minister can. Two members of the RCMP on duty last Thursday afternoon were called in to remove certain persons who were loitering around the hotel. After this was done the person concerned came into the hotel. He was wearing jeans at the time, long hair and dressed somewhat similar to them.

Some hon. Members: Shame!

Mr. Bell: Explain.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

Mr. Fairweather: What colour—green jeans, blue jeans?

Mr. Speaker: I wonder whether there was wisdom in allowing the question in the first instance. I do not see that the question as asked is one that should be allowed at this time. I also wonder whether the minister should be entitled to continue his explanation.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Speaker: I appreciate that hon. members may be—

An hon. Member: Unanimous.

[Mr. MacEachen.]