

*Inquiries of the Ministry***ROYAL VISIT****LACK OF TRANSPORTATION FOR PREMIERS TO ATTEND DEPARTURE CEREMONIES**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Stuart A. Fleming (Okanagan-Revelstoke): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct my question to the Secretary of State, asking him why official transportation was not provided for the provincial premiers who wished to attend the departure ceremonies at Uplands airport on Tuesday morning, and why in one or two instances when it was requested this courtesy was refused.

Hon. Maurice Lamontagne (Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, I wish this question to be put on the order paper.

Mr. Fleming (Okanagan-Revelstoke): Do you want them out of town first?

AGRICULTURE**STATEMENT BY FORESTRY MINISTER RESPECTING ASSISTANCE TO EASTERN FARMERS**

On the orders of the day:

[*Translation*]

Mr. Clément Vincent (Nicolet-Yamaska): Mr. Speaker, may I put a question to the Minister of Forestry?

It follows from the statement made last night by the minister on television to the effect that the federal government will soon announce a comprehensive program designed to improve the standard of living of eastern farmers.

Could the minister tell us when this program will be announced and whether it will take into account the suggestions made by members of the opposition to establish a national dairy control board and a minimum price of \$3.50 per hundredweight for industrial milk?

Hon. Maurice Sauvé (Minister of Forestry): Mr. Speaker, I believe that the first part of the question asked by the hon. member deals with a comment made by the announcer and not with a statement I made.

Indeed, yesterday I addressed the co-operative milling trade of the province of Quebec, which had gathered under the auspices of the federated co-operative. I spoke before those representatives of the agricultural sector and I stressed the necessity for co-operation between the provincial governments and the federal government so as to improve living conditions in rural centres and particularly in the agricultural field.

[*Mr. Nicholson.*]

I raised many problems, but I did not announce any policy, and if my hon. friend would only read the text of my speech—

Mr. Vincent: Mr. Speaker, may I ask an additional question?

Does this mean that the present government has no legislative program to announce within a few days, a few weeks or a few months, to raise the standard of living of farmers in the eastern provinces?

Mr. Sauvé: My remarks had nothing to do with the legislative program of the government.

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TRANSPORTATION**QUEBEC—PROPOSED REDUCTION IN C.P.R. TRAIN SERVICE**

On the orders of the day:

[*Translation*]

Mr. Henri Latulippe (Compton-Frontenac): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Transport, but in his absence I will put it to his representative.

Is the minister aware that the Canadian Pacific intends to reduce by 50 per cent its schedules in various regions of the province of Quebec and, among others, cancel the run known as 202 and 203 between Lac Megantic and Montreal which is most useful to Megantic citizens?

Is the minister not aware that such an arbitrary decision cannot be taken without consulting the parties concerned, that is the people involved? Could the minister intervene to prevent or delay the implementation of that decision before October 25, 1964?

[*Text*]

Mr. Speaker: This is a question for the order paper.

INDIAN AFFAIRS**INQUIRY AS TO SETTING UP OF COURT OF CLAIMS**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Gene Rhéaume (Northwest Territories): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration whether he will be in a position to introduce the legislation concerning the Indian claims commission at an early date, in view of the uncertain position in which the Indian people of Canada find themselves with regard to their treaty rights.