COMMONS DEBATES

SPORTS

REQUEST FOR PUBLICITY FOR PAN-AMERICAN GAMES

On the orders of the day:

Mr. George Muir (Lisgar): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Prime Minister. In view of the millions of dollars being spent by the government to publicize Expo '67, would the government consider spending a proportionate amount to tell the nation there is also an important event taking place this summer in Manitoba, namely the Pan-American games?

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): I agree, Mr. Speaker, that this is a very important event as is indicated by the contribution of the federal government in terms of money. I would hope that we can participate with the provinces in the kind of advertising that may be required so that it will be as successful as I know Expo '67 will be.

LABOUR CONDITIONS

RETRAINING OF WORKERS LAID OFF BECAUSE OF AUTOMOBILE AGREEMENT

On the orders of the day:

Mr. T. C. Douglas (Burnaby-Coquitlam): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. In a statement he made to the house the day before yesterday he gave some interesting information. I wonder whether he can fill in the details now or make a statement later.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Is the hon. member asking the minister to make a statement?

Mr. Douglas: I am asking the minister to give me some information now or take notice of the question. The minister told us of some 5,732 persons who had been laid off in the auto industry since January 1, 1966. I am asking the minister whether he can give us any information concerning how many of those persons who have been laid off have actually been placed in employment by his department. Am I correct in my information that the figure is something less than 300? Would the minister give us the information now or take the question as notice and give us the information later?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Mr. Speaker, I will with the desire of the committee. 23033-8671

Equalization Payments to Provinces take the question as notice and give the information later. I do not know the answer.

FINANCE

PROVISION FOR FEDERAL PAYMENTS TO PROVINCES

The house resumed, from Thursday, March 2, consideration of the following resolution—Mr. Sharp—Mr. Batten in the chair:

That it is expedient to introduce a measure to provide for the payment to provinces out of the consolidated revenue fund, for each fiscal year in the period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1967 and ending on the 31st day of March, 1972, of provincial revenue equalization payments and post-secondary education adjustment payments, and for each fiscal year commencing on or after the 1st day of April, 1967, of provincial revenue stabilization payments and succession duty payments; to authorize tax collection agreements with provinces and to amend the Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act to extend for an additional three years the interim period relating to the health grants program.

The Chairman: In accordance with the order of February 28 I do now leave the chair. The committee will resume its consideration of this resolution at two o'clock.

SITTING SUSPENDED

SITTING RESUMED

The committee resumed at 2 p.m.

The Chairman: Order. The house again in committee of the whole on a certain proposed resolution to provide for certain federalprovincial fiscal arrangements.

Miss LaMarsh: Mr. Chairman, I concluded the few remarks I had to make last evening with one exception. The hon. member for Burnaby-Coquitlam, who I expect will be in the chamber in a moment or two, asked me to provide certain information in the form of tables. I now have that information. I regret that I have only six copies, but if it is satisfactory to the committee I am prepared to table these three tables showing in the first two a comparison of fiscal allocations at present and as intended under the new scheme to each of the provinces. The third table relates to the basis of calculation of the proposed 1967-68 federal transfers in respect of post-secondary education costs. I am prepared to table these documents if that meets

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