

and which he undertook on March 22 to investigate and report his findings to the house?

**Hon. J. W. Monteith (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** Yes, Mr. Speaker. One of the Vancouver members asked that question last week. An inquest has been held; I have had the report of that inquest, and I am preparing a complete report to give the house on this matter.

(Translation):

#### NORTHERN AFFAIRS

##### INQUIRY AS TO EDUCATION OF ESKIMOS

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. Lionel Chevrier (Laurier):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources. Is the minister aware of the debate that took place yesterday between Rev. Father Renaud, O.M.I., and his own deputy minister, with regard to the education of natives? Has the minister any comments to make on the matter?

**Mr. Pigeon:** He has already answered the question.

(Text):

**Hon. Alvin Hamilton (Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources):** No, Mr. Speaker.

##### "INVITATION TO CANADA"—INQUIRY AS TO FRENCH VERSION OF PUBLICATION

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Marcel Boivin (Shefford):** I would like to direct a question to the Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources. Would the minister be good enough to advise the house when we can expect French copies of the booklet just given to hon. members, entitled "Invitation to Canada"?

**Hon. Alvin Hamilton (Minister of Northern Affairs and National Resources):** Mr. Speaker, on Friday last the hon. member for Hull asked me about a possible French version of this booklet. This booklet is entitled "Invitation to Canada" and is destined primarily for distribution in the United States. The main language there is English, and for that reason that will be the only language in which this booklet will be published.

**Mr. Alexis Caron (Hull):** A supplementary question. Does the minister not think he might have a few of these booklets sent to French-speaking countries so they can also be invited to visit Canada?

**Mr. Hamilton (Qu'Appelle):** Mr. Speaker, this matter of the distribution of the pamphlets of the travel bureau in European

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and South American countries is under consideration by the department, but no particular decision has yet been arrived at.

#### INQUIRY FOR RETURN

##### FEDERAL PAYMENTS TO PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENTS

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. J. W. Pickersgill (Bonavista-Twillingate):** Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the Minister of Finance if there is anything he could do to expedite the return to the order of the house in response to a question of mine passed on March 9. The question had reference to federal payments to provinces.

**Hon. Donald M. Fleming (Minister of Finance):** As far as the Department of Finance is concerned, Mr. Speaker, this portion of the information sought by the hon. member was gathered and made available many days ago. I cannot of course answer for the other departments. I presume that in that case more difficult inquiries were involved as a result of the question asked.

**Mr. Pickersgill:** I wonder if I could repeat my question to the Acting Secretary of State.

**Hon. Leon Balcer (Acting Secretary of State):** The Acting Secretary of State will do everything that is humanly possible to be pleasant to the hon. member.

#### GRAIN

##### REFERENCE TO COMMITTEE OF DELIVERIES TO FEED MILLS

**Hon. Gordon Churchill (Minister of Trade and Commerce)** moved:

That the standing committee on agriculture and colonization be empowered to examine and inquire into the delivery of grain by producers to feed mills operating in the designated area as defined by the Canadian Wheat Board Act, and to report to the house observations and proposals thereon.

He said: This is a subject which provides a very proper field of inquiry for the committee on agriculture because it deals with a subject which is of great importance to western agriculture.

Over the last five crop years a situation has developed in connection with the feed-stuffs industry of the prairie provinces which has created some difficulty. Existing statutes, both provincial and dominion, make all feed plants subject to quota regulations; and those plants that elect to have agreements with the board, making them agents of the board, are required by such agreements to buy from producers at board prices and to issue producers' certificates.