

We are therefore dealing with specific cases and I cannot answer for each one of them, unless you define them individually.

[*English*]

Mr. Lawrence E. Kindt (Macleod): I have a supplementary question for the Minister of Citizenship and Immigration. As part of the agreement being worked out, is it the thought of the government that these labourers will be returned to Jamaica after their employment?

Mr. Marchand: It is a condition.

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INQUIRY AS TO OVERSPENDING BY PRODUCERS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. R. N. Thompson (Red Deer): My question is directed to the Secretary of State. Before asking it I would commend the good lady for her concern for the taxpayers' stake in the C.B.C. My question, of which I have sent her notice, is this. Is it true that one C.B.C. producer named Wilson Southam spent up to ten times what was approved, having been previously warned about overspending on other programs?

Mr. Speaker: Order. That question should be placed on the order paper.

AGRICULTURE

TRANSPORTATION OF LIVESTOCK—REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT OF CRIMINAL CODE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. H. W. Herridge (Kootenay West): I wish to address a question to my favourite Minister of Agriculture. In view of the increasing number of livestock being hauled by motor truck, and the representations made by the Canadian Federation of Humane Societies as well as other organizations for legislation to meet these changing transportation practices, has the minister given any consideration to amending the cruelty section of the Criminal Code to bring the provisions of section 389 in line with modern transportation requirements?

Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Agriculture): I should like to thank my favourite and venerable member for Kootenay West for giving me notice of his question. In reply I may say departmental officials are looking into this in conjunction with officials of the

Inquiries of the Ministry

Department of Justice. Many representations have been received with regard to this very important question, and if remedial action is deemed necessary the amendment to the Criminal Code will be announced in the normal manner.

Mr. W. B. Nesbitt (Oxford): I should like to address a supplementary question to the Prime Minister. In view of the fact most members of this house have received many representations concerning cruelty to animals in its various aspects, I was wondering if the Prime Minister would recommend to his colleagues that this whole subject be referred to an appropriate committee of parliament for general consideration and recommendation.

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): I will be glad to look into that matter, Mr. Speaker.

OTTAWA VALLEY—REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN SPEEDING UP LOANS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. R. R. Southam (Moose Mountain): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of Agriculture and is one which I feel is of the utmost urgency in view of the fact that many farmers in the Ottawa valley and the surrounding area, due to severe crop loss from the drought last year, are unable to procure seed and other supplies for this year's crop unless loans are made available immediately. Has the government received a request from the Ontario government for co-operative assistance to provide these loans and, if so, what action is being taken?

Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, as of this date I have received no request in this regard, although I am given to understand from a news release from Toronto that such a request is to be made.

SASKATCHEWAN—PETITION RESPECTING BROKENSHELL COMMUNITY PASTURES

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Lawrence Watson (Assiniboia): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Agriculture. Has he received a petition from the patrons of Brokenshell community pastures Nos. 1 and 2 protesting the use of "A.I."?

Mr. Speaker: Order. That question should be on the order paper.