

Official Languages

the entire federal public service. In concluding, Mr. Speaker, I repeat that it could have been done without introducing an official language bill because it was not necessary to establish bilingualism.

Under the constitution, even if it is a little out of date, the federal government should have preserved the rights, prerogatives and privileges of the minorities in provinces other than Quebec, but it never did.

In the present framework of the constitution, the only thing to do was to take our responsibilities, and there would have been no problem. The introduction of such a bill succeeded in scaring a major part of the country and it is now up to the minister and the government to patch things up.

[*English*]

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, I wonder whether I might have the consent of the house to reply now to the question put to me just a few minutes ago by the hon. member for Cardigan (Mr. McQuaid).

Mr. Deputy Speaker: Is this agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): The hon. member asked me whether I would produce figures to complement those I introduced on May 20 at second reading stage, which are found at pages 8839, 8840 and 8841 of *Hansard*. At that time I produced figures to show the comparison in the number of applications from university students to the public service of Canada in the years 1966 and 1969. I said they had doubled and that in 1965-66 there were 4,000 applications from university students of Canada and this year there had been 9,000. As will be found on pages 8840 and 8841, I listed the number of applications by universities.

I am prepared to table the figures for the year 1968-69 of the number of applications, the number appointed and the number of those appointed who were, in the opinion of the commission, bilingual, and to break those down in the form in which they appear at pages 8840 and 8841 of *Hansard*, by universities. Before doing that, in reply to the question asked I think I would be entitled to recite some of the more significant figures and let the rest of the table speak for itself.

The total number of applications as a result of the university recruitment programs in

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1968-69 was 8,719. Of that number 410 were appointed, and of that number 140 were bilingual. These figures are broken down in this way: administrative trainee group, number of applications 4,013, number appointed 135, number of bilinguals 62. Foreign affairs group: number of applications, 1,746; number appointed, 54; number of bilinguals, 21. Social-economic groups: number of applications, 776; number appointed, 63; number of bilinguals, 19. Biophysical groups: number of applications, 1,440; number appointed, 126; number of bilinguals, 30. Applied science groups: number of applications, 744; number appointed, 32; number of bilinguals, 8. The total of all groups: number of applications, 8,719; number appointed, 410; number of bilinguals, 140.

• (4:50 p.m.)

The university breakdown speaks for itself. The total number of graduates appointed was 410 in 1969, and 140 were bilingual. This is broken down university by university in the same order in which I tabled it on May 20.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Deputy Speaker: I have the honour to inform the house that a message has been received from the Senate informing this house that the Senate have passed the following bills without any amendment: Bill C-194, an act to amend the Patent Act, and Bill C-207, an act to authorize assistance to transportation in the Atlantic region.

**PROCEEDINGS ON
ADJOURNMENT MOTION**

SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE
DEBATED

Mr. Deputy Speaker: It is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 40, to inform the house that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: The hon. member for Vancouver-Kingsway (Mrs. MacInnis)—Income Tax—exemption increases in budgetary proposals; the hon. member for Burnaby-Seymour (Mr. Perrault)—Fisheries—dogfish—discussions between Canadian and Japanese officials; the hon. member for St. John's East (Mr. McGrath)—Fisheries—St. John's, Newfoundland—licensing of foreign vessels.