Inquiries of the Ministry

that Devco has hired a number of foreigners, and I believe I have told those responsible that it would be more advisable to give preference to Canadian citizens.

[English]

Mr. MacInnis: A further supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Would the minister check *Hansard* when this question was asked previously and see how far his present answer is removed from the truth?

[Translation]

Mr. Marchand (Langelier): Mr. Speaker, I should like—

[English]

INFORMATION

AMALGAMATION OF DEPARTMENTAL SERVICES UNDER INFORMATION CANADA

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct my question to the Minister without Portfolio responsible for the direction of Information Canada. Is it the government's intention to disband the information sections of each department and amalgamate them under Information Canada?

Some hon. Members: Order!

Mr. Speaker: The hon, member for Moose Jaw.

Some hon. Members: No information.

Mr. Hales: Mr. Speaker, maybe a minister has not been officially designated to that position. Therefore I will direct my question to the right hon. Prime Minister. Is it the intention of the government to disband the various information sections in each of the government departments and amalgamate them under Information Canada?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I think it was only yesterday that I answered the hon. member for York South—

Mr. Hees: No. no.

Mr. Trudeau: —that we would be making an announcement on the operations of Information Canada which as yet has not been officially set up. Therefore, I am not now in a position to make this announcement; it is not ready.

Mr. Hales: A supplementary question—
[Mr. Marchand (Langelier).]

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

Mr. MacEwan: Mr. Speaker-

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I interrupt the hon. member only to say that I think we should go on to another subject as we are running short of time.

GRAIN

REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF FARM STORAGE COSTS

Mr. John L. Skoberg (Moose Jaw): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the minister responsible for the Canadian Wheat Board. In view of the plan announced by the minister to move grain slowly to the Lakehead, which in effect means more grain being left on the farms for a longer period of time, would the minister say whether he will give favourable consideration to some payment to the producers for farm stored grain storage costs?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister without Portfolio): Mr. Speaker, the plan to promote steady movement to the Lakehead is one of deliberateness in moving the grain as effectively as possible. General plans with respect to the grain industry are under consideration.

[Translation]

TRANSPORT

PURPOSE OF MEETING BETWEEN FEDERAL AND QUEBEC MINISTERS

Mr. Georges Valade (Sainte-Marie): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Transport or to his Parliamentary Secretary, but since both are absent, I shall put it to the Prime Minister.

Could he tell the House—I wonder if he can hear me—whether the purpose of the meeting between the federal Minister of Transport and the Quebec Minister of Municipal Affairs is to discuss matters concerning the airport at Sainte-Scholastique?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, the minister actually told me about that meeting, but he has not indicated whether the Quebec minister and himself had agreed to divulge the purpose of the meeting. Therefore, I believe we shall have to wait until the minister is present to know if, by providing such information, I would infringe some agreement between the two ministers.