

Yukon and N.W.T. Government

report that a consortium of French entrepreneurs is planning to spend \$400 million in developing air trans-shipment facilities on St. Pierre and Miquelon, is the minister planning to support the concept of trans-shipment at Gander International Airport, which proposal has been investigated for several years now?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, I have indicated to the very aggressive committee at work at Gander that as soon as they can provide, with our assistance, some tangible evidence that the airlines would be interested in this concept, we would be happy to go ahead as fast as we can. It is a question of finding out whether there is a firm interest on the part of the airlines. We are assisting the committee in this regard as well as undertaking some research on our own.

POLLUTION**LEGISLATION AGAINST USE OF PHOSPHATES IN DETERGENTS**

Mr. Randolph Harding (Kootenay West): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. In view of the statement by the Ontario energy and resources management minister yesterday that legislation regarding the banning of phosphates in detergents is being considered by the Ontario government for this coming January, would the minister indicate whether the government of Canada is also giving consideration to introducing at an early stage legislation to ban the use of phosphates in all detergents used in Canada?

Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, as I indicated yesterday while speaking on second reading of the Canada Water Act, we are giving consideration to such action. I have asked for the views of the committee that will be studying the Canada Water Act. Whether this matter would be more effectively handled at the federal or at the provincial level is one of the questions very much in my mind at this time.

GRAIN**REQUEST FOR PAYMENT ON FARM-STORED CROPS**

Mr. John L. Skoberg (Moose Jaw): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister without Portfolio in charge of grain. In view of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics report

that wheat stocks have risen 17 per cent, which represents a direct increase in farm-stored grain, would the minister say whether he will now recommend a payment on farm-stored grain to relieve the storage problem of the producers?

Hon. Otto E. Lang (Minister without Portfolio): Mr. Speaker, any changes in policy with regard to existing situations will, of course, be announced by the government in due course.

● (11:50 a.m.)

GOVERNMENT ORDERS**BUSINESS OF SUPPLY****ALLOTTED DAY, S.O. 58—YUKON AND NORTHWEST TERRITORIES—FAILURE OF GOVERNMENT TO GRANT CONSTITUTIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS**

Mr. G. W. Baldwin (for Mr. Stanfield) moved:

This House condemns the constitutional and administrative policies of the government as enunciated by the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development with respect to the Yukon and the Northwest Territories and rejects the pathological refusal of the government to end the colonial form of government which exists in the said Territories and this House adopts the desires and aspirations of the people of the Yukon and Northwest Territories as expressed unanimously by the resolutions of the Yukon Territorial Council and the Northwest Territorial Council requesting evolutionary constitutional and administrative reform.

Mr. Erik Nielsen (Yukon): Mr. Speaker, I am very glad to see the minister has foregone the pleasure of going to Harrison Hot Springs, where most of his colleagues are today, in order to participate in this debate, as well as the hon. member for Northwest Territories (Mr. Orange), whose participation is going to be rather painful, I am sure. I am just as sure he will be with us during the debate.

Mr. Orange: It won't be painful for me.

Mr. Nielsen: But it will be painful for me.

I should like to recall some of the events that have occurred before becoming critical of the policy of the government as enunciated by the minister in Yellowknife on the tenth of this month and in Whitehorse on the twelfth of this month.

It was in 1958, on September 26, that a former Prime Minister of Canada, the right hon. member for Prince Albert (Mr. Diefenbaker) said:

This area, Yukon, will be a province surely in the fullness of time.