

**Mr. Lang:** Mr. Speaker, as I indicated to hon. members, Dr. Horner—who is the minister of transport in Alberta—did not raise this matter with me when we met on other subjects a few weeks ago. He had ample opportunity to do so. Indeed, after our meetings on the three main subjects were over, we raised several other matters of interest. He did not choose to raise this one.

**Mr. Hees:** Did you raise it with him?

**Mr. Lang:** Indeed, I had an informal question about this matter through my colleague, the hon. Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce, and I indicated to him that if such a request on the part of Alberta came forward, we would consider it most favourably. Nothing more has come forward in this regard.

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### FISHERIES

#### BRITISH COLUMBIA—SEASONAL EMPLOYMENT FOR NATIONALS OF OTHER COUNTRIES

**Mr. Benno Friesen (Surrey-White Rock):** Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of Fisheries and the Environment or his parliamentary secretary. Is he aware of the fact that the bonanza in the herring roe fishing industry in British Columbia is attracting some seasonal employment, and that Japanese nationals have been hired as technicians for that industry who are really not technicians but are out in the fishing grounds working along with the other fishermen and are taking jobs away from Canadians?

**Mr. Hugh A. Anderson (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Fisheries and the Environment):** Mr. Speaker, I am aware, as I believe the minister is aware, that fish buyers of Japanese extraction are out in various areas during the herring season. I am not aware of any Japanese nationals who are fishing with the herring boats off British Columbia.

#### VESSEL AND FOREIGN CREW OPERATING UNDER CANADIAN LICENCE

**Mr. Donald W. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich):** Mr. Speaker, my question also concerns the employment of Japanese. In light of the fact that the Minister of Fisheries and the Environment is not present in the chamber, perhaps Your Honour will permit a small preamble in order that the Prime Minister may understand what is happening in the Department of Fisheries and the Environment. Therefore, my question is directed to the Prime Minister.

In a recent letter to me, the minister stated that he was prepared to extend a licence to a ship with a capacity 25 times greater than the ship from which the licence was taken, on condition that the vessel went to sea with a Canadian crew. Now it is apparent that the vessel is going to sea with a Japanese captain and a Japanese engineer, within the 200-mile limit and under a Canadian licence. Is the Prime Minister

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aware of this? If he is not, would he be prepared to speak to the minister and ask him what devious political purpose he intends to achieve by this particular operation?

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**Mr. Hugh A. Anderson (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Fisheries and the Environment):** Mr. Speaker, I wonder if the hon. member—

**Mr. Munro (Esquimalt-Saanich):** Mr. Speaker, my question was addressed to the Prime Minister.

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, how can the hon. member expect to score points by referring to private correspondence between himself and the minister? Obviously, I have not read the correspondence. The parliamentary secretary has risen, perhaps to give an answer or perhaps to take notice of the question. I think this is a somewhat ridiculous example of what the Tories are asking.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

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### FINANCE

#### EXTENSION OF RELIEF MEASURES FOR STEEL BEAMS

**Mr. Ron Huntington (Capilano):** Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the right hon. Prime Minister. At the first ministers' conference, the Prime Minister left the message that if the premiers of Alberta and British Columbia got together on a mechanism to safeguard the interests of Algoma Steel, and at the same time maintain a steady supply of wide-flange steel beams from offshore sources at world prices, he would implement relief from the 30 per cent anti-dumping duty which was recently levied. Assuming agreement is reached between the provinces, will the Prime Minister confirm that it is still his intention to extend the relief beyond June 29?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, the names of the two provinces escaped me. Would the hon. member repeat them, please?

**Mr. Huntington:** Alberta and British Columbia.

**Miss MacDonald:** They are out west.

**Mr. Huntington:** Yes, they are out west.

**Mr. Hees:** Surely the Prime Minister remembers the place he flew to a little while ago.

**Mr. Trudeau:** Mr. Speaker, the facts on which the question is posed are not correct. Dealing with the first point, action was taken by the Minister of Finance in giving relief to the industry for a period which I believe extends to the end of June. Dealing with the second point, there was no suggestion by me that Alberta and British Columbia would have to get together to settle this question. The producers are in Ontario