- 2. The publication was designed by Design Partnership of Ottawa Ontario, at a cost of \$5,183 which is included in the above cost.
- 3. (a) A total of 134,900 copies printed by the department will be distributed at a cost of 29 cents per copy, plus postage.
  - (b) The publication will be distributed to various agricultural organizations and to private related institutions or agencies. The consuming public in general may obtain copies in response to individual requests. Educational institutions may obtain quantities for distribution according to their requirements.

In so far as the Department of National Health and Welfare is concerned: 1. \$25,973.01.

- 2. To be answered elsewhere.
- 3. (a) Ninety thousand copies will be distributed at a cost of 29 cents per book, plus postage.
  - (b) It is directed to and will be received by the consuming public and will be distributed via social and health agencies at provincial and municipal levels, e.g. provincial nutritionists, public health nurses, and visiting homemakers. There will be direct distribution to the public upon request.

#### LAWYERS IN THE CONSTITUENCY OF PROVENCHER

Question No. 264—Mr. Epp:

From June 1, 1974 to date, what lawyers in the Constituency of Provencher were given work by the Department of the Solicitor General and what amount was each paid per year?

Mr. Claude-André Lachance (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Justice): In so far as the legal agents of the Minister of Justice are concerned: none.

### FARM CREDIT CORPORATION—NEW BRUNSWICK

Ouestion No. 415-Mr. Howie:

Does the Farm Credit Corporation have a list of lawyers to whom legal work concerning mortgage loans is restricted and, if so, what are the names of such lawyers in New Brunswick?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): Farm Credit Corporation advises as follows: the corporation retains the services of solicitors, advocates or notaries approved by the chairman to place and disburse loans, to recover moneys lent and to perform related incidental legal services on such terms as the chairman may prescribe.

The name of the New Brunswick lawyer through whom the corporation's legal work is handled is Clarence H. Roy.

#### COMMISSIONER OF OFFICIAL LANGUAGES

Question No. 631—Mr. Epp:

- 1. What is the annual budget of the Western Regional Office of the Commissioner of Official Languages which was opened in St. Boniface recently?
  - 2. Who is the director?
- 3. What is his/her annual salary?

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- 4. What are his/her qualifications?
- 5. How many persons will be employed on a (a) full-time (b) part-time basis?

Mr. Yvon Pinard (Parliamentary Secretary to President of Privy Council): The Commissioner of Official Languages reports directly to parliament and not through a minister. Questions can be made directly to him.

[English]

**Mr. Speaker:** The questions enumerated by the parliamentary secretary have been answered. Shall the remaining questions stand?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

# **MOTION TO ADJOURN UNDER S.O. 26**

[English]

## CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD

PURCHASE OF HOPPER CARS

Mr. Frank Hamilton (Swift Current-Maple Creek): Mr. Speaker, I filed the required notice for this motion. The move by the Canadian Wheat Board to purchase up to 2,000 hopper cars at \$100 million is an unprecedented move in the 40 years of their lifetime, and we see it as a breach of the spirit and intent of the National Transportation Act. We question the legality of the Wheat Board's action in describing these hopper cars as personal property—it is too much to figure out.

This purchase was made without the consultation of the interested parties out west. Producers are up in arms and farm organizations are outraged and, despite what the minister said, there was no consultation. The railways are telling us there is unused capacity in the system, as evidenced by Canadian Pacific's refusal to have 1,000 cars fixed. I see no other way of bringing this matter before the House. Neither our motions under Standing Order 43 nor our questions in the question period can deal with this, nor can we deal with it in the next opposition day, which is a week away and which may be too late.

Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Qu'Appelle-Moose Mountain (Mr. Hamilton):

That this House do now adjourn.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member for Swift Current-Maple Creek (Mr. Hamilton) has given the Chair notice, in accordance with Standing Order 26, of his intention to make this application for a motion to adjourn the House or, in other words, for a motion calling for a special debate on that matter, pursuant to the terms of Standing Order 26.

There are two aspects of the matter which I think I should bring to the attention of hon. members. The first is that I consider it to be a very dangerous precedent to accept this subject under the terms of Standing Order 26 on the basis that