

Inquiries of the Ministry

subsidy eligibility quota is concerned, there may be some consequential and minor amendments required, but we do not intend to have a major change in the transfer of the subsidy eligibility quota at the moment.

DAIRYING—TRANSFER OF QUOTAS WITHOUT INCLUSION OF HERD AND IN SMALLER AMOUNTS

Mr. R. E. McKinley (Huron): I wonder if the minister, before making his statement on motions, would give consideration in the negotiations to having the federal quotas transferred without inclusion of the herd, and also would he consider whether smaller amounts could be transferred?

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture): That is one of the considerations that the negotiations are taking into account now.

[Translation]

DAIRYING—POLICY RESPECTING ANTICIPATED PENSIONS AND TRANSFORMATION OF CERTAIN OPERATIONS

Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the minister a supplementary question.

At the last meeting with provincial ministers, was any reference made to new funds or grants with regard to, if I am not mistaken, pre-retirement benefits for older producers and transformation of some operations? Is the minister in a position to say what he thinks about it and whether the policy will be announced soon?

[English]

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture): No, Mr. Speaker, I cannot give any further details respecting this until we have come to an understanding with the provinces. We have had one meeting with all the ministers. There is another meeting later this month of the deputy ministers. If at that time there are some positive details that can be announced that have been agreed on, I will be happy to do so.

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[Translation]

THE CENSUS

PUBLICATION OF LIST OF COMMISSIONERS AS APPENDIX TO HANSARD

Mr. Roland Godin (Portneuf): Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask a question of the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce.

In view of the fact that a large number of Canadians are currently seeking employment and that census commissioners are in a position to hire personnel, could the minister have printed in appendix to Hansard the list he tabled so that the unemployed know where to apply for a job?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, this list is available and should my hon. friend want a copy of it, I shall be pleased to send him one.

[Mr. Olson.]

[English]

NATIONAL DEFENCE

STATUS OF RESTRUCTURING OF PAY SCHEDULES OF CANADIAN ARMED FORCES

Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Dartmouth-Halifax East): My question is for the President of the Treasury Board. Can the minister bring us up to date on the present status of the restructuring by him and his colleague, the Minister of National Defence, of the pay schedules for the Canadian Armed Forces, promised for some time this month?

Hon. C. M. Drury (President of the Treasury Board): I will have to take notice of the question, Mr. Speaker.

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AGRICULTURE

PROPOSED SALE OF IMPORTED BULLS—RETENTION OF SEMEN FOR CANADIAN FARMERS AND RANCHERS

Mr. Cliff Downey (Battle River): My question is for the Minister of Agriculture. In view of the proposed sale by the Department of Agriculture of imported bulls presently being held for semen collection at the government experimental farms at Lacombe and Brandon, can the minister assure the House and farmers of the nation that any sale will be made with the assurance that a percentage of the semen collected will be retained by the Department of Agriculture so that semen will be available to Canadian farmers and ranchers at a price they can afford?

Mr. Speaker: I am not sure whether this might not be the kind of question which might easily be placed on the order paper.

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HOUSING

URBAN RENEWAL FUNDS—DIRECT DEALING WITH MUNICIPALITIES

Mr. John Gilbert (Broadview): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the minister in charge of housing. In view of the statement issued by the Federation of Mayors and Municipalities that present federal government policies may be making the housing situation worse instead of better, would the minister put an immediate end to the freeze on urban renewal funds and in so doing deal directly with the municipalities which have a better view of the situation and are more sensitive to the needs of the people?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister without Portfolio): Mr. Speaker, there was not a curtailment of urban renewal funds. We are in fact spending more on urban renewal now than before the dialogue and debate arose as a result of the task force on housing and urban affairs about two years ago. I did tell the mayors we were interested in discussing this as well as all other urban problems in tri-level consultations which are hopefully scheduled to begin before too long.