#### Order for Return

2. Did the government receive any guarantee of • (2:50 p.m.) minimum quality standards of effluent when it made these funds available?

Mr. Martin P. O'Connell (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion): 1. No.

2. Not applicable.

#### TOBACCO EXPERIMENTAL FARM-DELHI, ONTARIO

Question No. 1,504-Mr. Buchanan:

With reference to Question Number 962 answered on February 23, 1970, is the Delhi Research Station working on the development of a tobacco strain or variety that would make safer cigarettes?

Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture): The Delhi Research Station is conducting a tobacco breeding program for the production of strains and varieties with lower nicotine and tar content.

#### \*PLACE DE VILLE, OTTAWA-RENTAL OF SPACE BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Question No. 1,584—Mr. Diefenbaker:

- 1. Has the government entered into a lease or agreement for lease for twenty years with Mr. Campeau or one of his Companies, to rent the Place de Ville—a building now under construction in Ottawa and, if so (a) on what date (b) what are the terms thereof?
- 2. What is the total amount that the lessor will receive from the government?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): Mr. Speaker, the answer to the first part of this question is no. The second part, of course, is not applicable.

## QUESTION PASSED AS ORDER FOR RETURN

CENSUS POPULATIONS FOR CERTAIN PROV-INCES, ASSUMED POPULATIONS WITHOUT INTERPROVINCIAL MIGRATION

Question No. 1,402-Mr. MacLean:

- 1. What was the population of each of the Provinces of Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario and Quebec for 1871, and each census year since?
- 2. Using the population of 1871 as a base in each case, and applying the known birth rates and death rates, what would have been the population of each of these provinces for each census year since, if there had been no migration across provincial boundaries, and ignoring population increases of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec due to extension of their areas?

Return tabled. [Mrs. MacInnis.]

# ORAL OUESTION PERIOD

## THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

INFLATION—MEETING WITH CANADIAN LABOUR CONGRESS—CO-OPERATION IN CONTROL PROGRAM

Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Prime Minister. Would he take the House into his confidence and advise whether, in his meeting with the leaders of the Canadian Labour Congress this morning, he was assured of their co-operation in the government's program to control inflation?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I do not have to take the House into my confidence. The meetings were open and public, and I am sure they will be well reported. I suppose it would be a fair summary to say that the policies that we are pursuing did not meet with the enthusiastic approval of the labour movement.

Mr. Hees: A supplementary question. I take it from what the Prime Minister has said that the government was not given any assurance whatever of the agreement of the labour bodies to the proposals that it has been making for some time through the Prices and Incomes Commission. Did the leaders of the Canadian Labour Congress suggest to the government this morning that the government should reverse its policies, which have produced the highest cost of living ever and the highest level of unemployment for the past six years, policies which-

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

Mr. Hees: —are leading the country—

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Hees: —in a disastrous direction?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Perhaps the hon. member might like to ask a question. It seems to me that he is making a speech instead of asking a question.

Mr. Hees: Then I will put a supplementary question. Since the leaders of the Canadian Labour Congress very clearly pointed out, I take it, the inadequacies of the government's proposals-

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Mr. Hees: —is it the intention of the government to reverse its programs, which have