

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): Did he agree or did he not agree? He retired and therefore he could not have concurred in the new arrangement.

Mr. GIBSON: I did not say he did not concur in the new arrangement. I said he did not wish to remain on under the new arrangement.

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): That is the same thing.

Mr. GIBSON: Oh, no.

### LABOUR CONDITIONS

#### DEPARTMENTAL SURVEY OF POST-WAR PROSPECTS OF EMPLOYMENT IN INDUSTRY

On the orders of the day:

Mr. M. J. COLDWELL (Rosetown-Biggar): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Labour. Will the government make available to the house a copy of the Department of Labour survey dealing with post-war prospects of employment in industries with two hundred or more employees, which has been completed, and, we understand, presented to the cabinet? I think it is important that this house should have a copy of that report in order that we may understand what in the view of the government are the post-war prospects.

Hon. HUMPHREY MITCHELL (Minister of Labour): I shall be glad to take into consideration the request of my hon. friend.

Mr. COLDWELL: I should like to get the report, not consideration.

#### REQUESTS FOR REVISION OF WARTIME WAGES CONTROL ORDERS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. J. W. NOSEWORTHY (York South): I should like to ask a question of the Minister of Labour. Has the government received representations from labour organizations for an immediate revision of P.C. 9384 and P.C. 1003? Can the minister indicate whether any action is contemplated?

Hon. HUMPHREY MITCHELL (Minister of Labour): The answer to the first question is, yes. The answer to the second question will be made known to the hon. member in due course when the government decides on its policy.

#### SELECTIVE SERVICE REGULATIONS—FARM WORKERS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. M. C. SENN (Haldimand): I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Labour (Mr. Mitchell), or more properly to the parliamentary assistant, who, I believe, tabled certain orders in council to-day having to do with changes in the national selective service regulations. The newspapers carried recently an announcement that some change has been made in the national selective service regulations designating certain man-power for farm help during the summer months. Have any arrangements been made to regulate wages to be paid by farmers for such help during those months?

Hon. HUMPHREY MITCHELL (Minister of Labour): The answer is, no.

### BACON

#### QUESTION AS TO DECREASE IN CANADIAN HOG PRODUCTION

On the orders of the day:

Mr. P. E. WRIGHT (Melfort): I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Gardiner): The production of Canadian bacon plays a very important part in maintaining an adequate diet for the British people. What action, besides talking about it, does the government propose to take to deal with the serious decrease in hog production which is taking place this year in Canada—between forty and fifty per cent in western Canada and thirty-two per cent in Canada as a whole. What action does the government propose to take to encourage farmers to resume production?

Hon. J. G. GARDINER (Minister of Agriculture): In case my hon. friend should think I was just talking about it again, I suggest that if he will bring the matter up when my estimates are before the house I shall be pleased to go into it with him.

### PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

#### INQUIRY AS TO REFUNDING OF BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. G. H. ROSS (Calgary East): Is the Minister of Finance aware of the plan for refunding Alberta's bonded indebtedness, announced by Premier Manning in his budget speech recently? Did the minister offer the cooperation of the dominion government in