

## NATURAL GAS

## PRESENTATION OF DOCUMENTS BY TRANS-CANADA PIPE LINES BEFORE FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. H. A. Olson (Medicine Hat):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to address a question to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources and ask him whether the request by the Federal Power Commission in the United States for additional information respecting Trans-Canada's application for the Great Lakes Pipe Line has now been satisfied. I think last Friday he said that a few hours time would prove his information was more accurate than that given in the press.

**Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources):** Mr. Speaker, I have no reason to believe that the information I had on Friday was not right.

**Mr. Olson:** As a supplementary question, I would like to ask the minister very directly whether the additional information requested by the commission has been supplied to it by Trans-Canada?

**Mr. Pepin:** Mr. Speaker, I was informed that when the copies of correspondence are tabled according to the wishes of this house, copies will be made available to the Federal Power Commission.

**Mr. T. C. Douglas (Burnaby-Coquitlam):** Then may I ask the minister when he intends to file the documents which were called for by the house in the motion that was passed last week?

**Mr. Pepin:** We are doing the collecting of the documents at this moment, Mr. Speaker.

## TELEVISION

## MANITOBA—REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL COVERAGE

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Robert Simpson (Churchill):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Secretary of State. In view of the recent meeting or meetings which the Secretary of State may have had with the President of the C.B.C., is she now in a position to advise the house of any progress which has been made in relation to C.B.C. television service for northern Manitoba?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order please. I am wondering if the hon. member would not consider that this question should be placed on the order paper.

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

## HOUSE OF COMMONS

## ACTIVITIES OF MEMBERS FOLLOWING QUESTION PERIOD

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. H. W. Herridge (Kootenay West):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to address a question to the Minister of Public Works in his capacity as house leader. In view of the fact that many members of the house leave at the conclusion of the question period to attend committees and for other duties, and in view of the fact that the reason few members remain in the house is frequently misunderstood by visitors in the gallery, would it be possible in this instance to follow a practice of the United States Senate by including in the literature handed to visitors an explanation of this exodus of members of parliament to attend other duties?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. My understanding is that this question is one that might be more properly directed to the Chair, and I am sure the suggestion made by the hon. member will be taken into consideration.

## WOMEN

## STUDY OF STATUS BY ROYAL COMMISSION

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. Michael Starr (Ontario):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to address a question to the right hon. Prime Minister, and ask if he is prepared to grant the reasonable request made by the delegation from the Committee for the Equality of Women which recently came to Ottawa, seeking the establishment of a royal commission on the status of women, which request has been wholeheartedly supported by the Secretary of State.

I may say that they claim they were not given a proper hearing by the Minister of Labour (Mr. Nicholson) and by the Minister of Justice (Mr. Cardin) and I ask whether the Prime Minister will accede to their request?

**Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, the Secretary of State is very actively pursuing this matter in the cabinet at the present time.

**Mr. Donald MacInnis (Cape Breton South):** As a supplementary question; the Secretary of State may be very much in favour of such a royal commission, but is not the Prime Minister fully aware that the Minister of National Defence (Mr. Hellyer) is against it?