

*Inquiries of the Ministry*  
**SEARCH AND RESCUE**

**SEARCH FOR MISSING ARMY INTELLIGENCE  
 OFFICER**

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. W. G. Dinsdale (Brandon-Souris):** I have a question for the Minister of National Defence. Could the hon. gentleman inform the house whether the search for Captain Flewin of the Canadian army intelligence service, who went missing on a flight from Toronto to Ottawa on January 17 last, I think it was, is still continuing?

**Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of National Defence):** I thank the hon. gentleman for giving me notice of this question. I am informed that the search was called off on January 27 after 12 days of intensive search activities. It will be resumed in the spring-time as soon as there is more real hope of being able to pick up the trail. An area of 97,000 square miles was covered and a total of 840 flying hours involved in the search activities up to January 27.

**COAL**

**REPORTED LIMIT ON SUBVENTIONS TO DOMINION  
 STEEL AND COAL CO.**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Robert Muir (Cape Breton North and Victoria):** I have a question for the minister of mines. Perhaps in his absence I could direct it to the acting minister. Has the minister, or any representative of the government, directly or indirectly indicated to the Dominion Steel and Coal Company that their production of coal in Nova Scotia should be limited to the present production or to any specified tonnage, and that in the event of increased production further subventions would not be forthcoming to assist in the sale of any such increase?

**Hon. H. J. Robichaud (Acting Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys):** I will take this question as notice in the absence of the Minister of Mines and Technical Surveys.

**LABOUR CONDITIONS**

**SYDNEY, N.S.—RE-EMPLOYMENT INTERVIEWS BY  
 NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Donald MacInnis (Cape Breton South):** I have a question for the Minister of Labour. Can the minister indicate to the house whether any success has been derived from the re-employment interviews now being held by the office of the national employment service in Sydney?

[Mr. Pearson.]

**Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of Labour):** I have had no report on this matter. I would be glad to let the hon. member know any information I can get later on.

**REPRESENTATION OF YUKON AND NORTHWEST  
 TERRITORIES AT LABOUR CONFERENCE**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Gene Rheame (Northwest Territories):** My question is for the Minister of Labour. Can the hon. gentleman tell the house whether an invitation has been extended to the commissioners of the Yukon and the Northwest Territories to participate in the forthcoming federal-provincial conference on labour?

**Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of Labour):** I will check and answer the hon. member later.

**PROSPECTIVE LAY-OFFS AT POINT EDWARD  
 NAVAL BASE**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Donald MacInnis (Cape Breton South):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of National Defence. Would the minister consider a very early visit to Cape Breton in order to review at first hand the repercussions which will take place at the Point Edward naval base as a result of impending lay-offs?

**Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of National Defence):** Mr. Speaker, I do not know how soon it can be arranged, but I should like to get down to Cape Breton in the not too distant future; and I hope my hon. friend will be able to meet me when I get down there.

**Mr. MacInnis:** A supplementary question. Do I take it from the minister's answer that there has not been any directive that he and others of his colleagues in the house stay away from Cape Breton at the present time?

**Mr. Hellyer:** Mr. Speaker, I am sure we would be as welcome in Cape Breton as we are in all other parts of the country.

**Mr. MacInnis:** Mr. Speaker, I did intend a further supplementary question. I must compliment the minister on speaking very well on behalf of what the Cape Bretoners' attitude will be, but my question was directed to him and to the attitudes of his own cabinet colleagues. I will ask him directly, is there a directive which suggests that they do not go to Cape Breton?

**Mr. Hellyer:** Most certainly not. I think on the contrary.