

Inquiries of the Ministry

main groups of hockey executives in Canada had been invited.

Mr. Speaker: Perhaps the minister could answer this very properly and more easily at the time of adjournment.

RESEARCHSTUDY BY STANDING COMMITTEE AS TO
TREATMENT OF ANIMALS

Mrs. Grace MacInnis (Vancouver-Kingsway): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct this question to the house leader. In view of the public alarm and indignation over bills now before the Ontario legislature which would force animal shelters and pounds to turn over unwanted dogs and cats to experimental research would the federal government ask the Standing Committee on Agriculture or some other standing committee to study and report forthwith on the matter of the treatment of animals.

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council): I would be glad to discuss that with my colleagues.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

ABSENCE OF MINISTERS

Mr. Thomas M. Bell (Saint John-Lancaster): Mr. Speaker, this question is for the Acting Prime Minister. Will he take up with his fellow colleagues in the cabinet the fact that four members of the cabinet who are supposed to be here today are not here, on a day when most of us are ready in our places to undertake the week's work.

An hon. Member: It doesn't look like it.

**CANADIAN BROADCASTING
CORPORATION**STATEMENTS BY PERSONS DECLARED TO BE
UNDESIRABLE

Hon. J. A. MacLean (Malpeque): Mr. Speaker, I should like to address to the Secretary of State a question which is related to previous questions which have been asked of the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. What is the policy, if any, of the C.B.C. with regard to the broadcasting of statements and opinions of persons who have been declared by the Department of Immigration to be so undesirable that they should not be allowed into the country.

[*Translation*]

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, I am not too well aware of the C.B.C.'s policy in that regard, but I will [Mr. Simpson.]

gladly pass on the hon. members' question to the corporation and make the answer known to him.

[*English*]

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington): Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question for the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. When the officials of his department are listing the group of people they deem to be undesirable for entry into the country, could they send a list of these names to the officials of the C.B.C.?

INDIAN AFFAIRSSECHLT, B.C.—ALLEGED HARASSMENT BY
R.C.M.P.

Mr. Frank Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Solicitor General asking him whether any complaints have reached his ears about harassment, to say the least, and brutality in some cases by the R.C.M.P. in respect of native Indian people living at Sechelt on the coast of British Columbia and, if he has heard such complaints, what action is being taken in respect thereto?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, I have heard no such complaints.

Mr. Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the minister whether he would mind inquiring into this matter which I understand, incidentally, was raised in the legislative assembly of that province not long ago?

Mr. McIlraith: Yes, Mr. Speaker, I will be very glad to inquire into the matter.

PUBLIC WORKSRECONSIDERATION OF NEGATIVE DECISIONS
ON CAPITAL PROJECTS

Mr. John Lundrigan (Gander-Twillingate): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Minister of Public Works whether his department is reconsidering negative decisions in respect of capital projects in some regions of Canada in order to co-ordinate the work of his department with that of the Department of Regional Development?

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Public Works): Mr. Speaker, I gather from the question the hon. member has asked that he regards the distribution of work under my department as unfair in respect of the maritimes. I had a look at the program over the weekend, and I cannot agree with him. As a