

Inquiries of the Ministry

before me later and will ask them. I am unaware of any such tax or payment, but I would not want to deny it without consultation.

the resignation of the Minister of Trade and Commerce, which I understand has—

Mr. Speaker: Order. The hon. member knows that his question is not in order.

CANADA PENSION PLAN

INQUIRY AS TO REFUNDS OF EMPLOYEES

On the orders of the day:

Mr. A. D. Hales (Wellington South): Mr. Speaker, I should like to address my question to the Minister of National Revenue. Is the minister in a position to report to the house on the progress his department has made with respect to the refunding of overpayments by employers to the Canada Pension Plan?

[*Translation*]

Hon. Jean Chrétien (Minister of National Revenue): Mr. Speaker, in order to solve this problem, a new legislation would have to be introduced and I do not think that we could announce the government policy immediately.

We have already been in consultation with some provinces and we shall inform the house of any decision in due time.

[*English*]

HIGHWAY SAFETY

ESTABLISHMENT OF SAFETY STANDARDS FOR USED CARS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Barry Mather (New Westminster): Mr. Speaker, I wonder if I could ask the Minister of Transport whether as part of the federal program for highway safety consideration has been given to encouraging the provinces to establish safety standards for used cars on an interprovincial basis.

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, this is one of the questions that we expect to discuss with the provinces when we meet with provincial representatives. Personally I think an effective standard for used cars is essential, and I should like to see one adopted which could be applied by all provinces of Canada.

THE MINISTRY

INQUIRY AS TO RESIGNATION OF TRADE MINISTER

On the orders of the day:

Hon. George Hees (Northumberland): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Prime Minister. Could the Prime Minister advise the house when he expects to accept

INCOME TAX

ASSESSMENTS RESPECTING TIPS RECEIVED BY BARTENDERS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Bud Germa (Sudbury): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of National Revenue. Have his inspectors in the income tax department been instructed to make arbitrary assessments when making a determination as to tips received by bartenders in Canada?

Mr. Speaker: Order. The question should be put on the order paper.

AGRICULTURE

POTATOES—IMPORTS FROM U.S. INTO WESTERN CANADA

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Ed. Schreyer (Springfield): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of Agriculture. I should like to ask the minister whether he and his officials have yet made a determination in the claim of the western Canada potato growers that importations of United States potatoes into western Canada are at prices that constitute dumping.

Mr. Speaker: Order. It seems to me that this is a repetition of the question asked yesterday.

Mr. Schreyer: On a point of privilege, Mr. Speaker, I should tell Your Honour that yesterday you advised me that the question should be asked during consideration of the estimates, but this was impossible because the minister was filibustering his own estimates.

Mr. Speaker: Orders of the day.

Mr. Schreyer: Mr. Speaker, either the minister has not heard my question or he refuses to answer. I should like to restate my question.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I am sure the minister heard the question.

Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, the hon. gentleman is asking for a legal opinion. He should know that the rules of the house do not permit me to give a legal opinion.