

*Inquiries of the Ministry***ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE****USE OF RETIRED JUDGES TO DISPOSE
OF DOCKETS**

Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Justice. In view of the large numbers of Canadians held, while awaiting trial, in various jails during the July and August summer vacation when there is little activity in the courts, would the minister consider calling on retired judges, who are experienced, to assist the courts to clean up these dockets during the summer vacation? Many of these people are unable to get bail or cannot afford it.

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): That is a very good idea, Mr. Speaker. I want to say that the administration of justice is constitutionally the responsibility of the provincial Attorneys General. This is something I would like to talk to them about.

Mr. Woolliams: Mr. Speaker, in view of the fact that many of these people being incarcerated are young men and women charged under the Narcotic Control Act, which is a direct responsibility of the minister's department, will he contact these very special Crown prosecutors across the nation to see whether these people can be released on bail? Many of them are high school and university students.

Mr. Turner (Ottawa-Carleton): I will take that into consideration, Mr. Speaker.

[Translation]

AGRICULTURE**REVISION OF DAIRY POLICY**

Mr. André Fortin (Lotbinière): Mr. Speaker, I should like to address a question to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Agriculture.

In view of the fact that more than 13,000 dairy producers have been forced to give up dairy production, could the Parliamentary Secretary tell us if the government's dairy policy will be reviewed this year?

Mr. Florian Côté (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, the dairy policy is reviewed and considered every month by the Advisory Board of the Canadian Dairy Commission which is made up of nine persons, most of them farmers. Every month that problem is studied.

[Mr. Speaker.]

Mr. Fortin: Mr. Speaker, may I direct a supplementary question to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Agriculture?

I wish to ask him whether, during these discussions, the Quebec Dairy Producers Union is officially consulted about the development of this dairy policy?

Mr. Côté (Richelieu): Yes, Mr. Speaker. The Union is invited to the discussions almost every month.

[English]

ATOMIC ENERGY**SHORTAGE OF HEAVY WATER**

Mr. P. V. Noble (Grey-Simcoe): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct this question to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, but in his absence perhaps I could direct it to the Prime Minister. Has the government been able to find any solution to the problem of the critical shortage of heavy water in Canada?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Does the question not concern the government of Nova Scotia, Mr. Speaker? Is the hon. member referring to the problems of Deuterium Company of Canada?

Mr. Noble: I believe the plant at Chalk River will have to slow down unless a supply of heavy water can be obtained.

POLLUTION**CANCELLATION OF FORESTRY RESEARCH
BRANCH PROJECT**

Mr. G. H. Aiken (Parry Sound-Muskoka): Mr. Speaker, this question is for the Minister of Fisheries and Forestry. Has the minister's department cancelled a research project in the entomology section of the forestry research branch which might have provided an alternative to the use of chemical sprays, and has this been done as a result of the government's budgetary restrictions?

Mr. Speaker: Order. I suggest this is a question which might well be placed on the order paper. If it is urgent it could be considered at the time of adjournment this evening.

Mr. Aiken: Mr. Speaker, without in any way suggesting that Your Honour is wrong in ruling me out of order I should like to say that this is an urgent matter.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. If it is urgent the hon. members knows that the matter can