

Inquiries of the Ministry

question, since it has been asked a number of times for some six months.

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): I believe the Leader of the Opposition is exaggerating when he says the question has been asked for some six months, but I do recognize that we will have to take a position on this matter before the six months are up. I will report to the house in due course.

Mr. R. Gordon L. Fairweather (Fundy-Royal): I have a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Surely the government has taken a position. The question now is: How is the expurgated version coming along? Surely we are entitled to have this.

SPORTS

REQUEST FOR EARLY REPORT BY TASK FORCE

Mr. Arnold Peters (Timiskaming): I have a question for the Minister of National Health and Welfare. Is he in a position to tell the house when the task force on sports is expected to report, whether this report will be made public, and whether the government intends to send the report when received to a committee of the house.

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): I expect the report to come to the government some time next month, that is the month of March, when it will be for the government to decide whether it will be made public.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

ALLEGED INJUSTICES RESULTING FROM INVESTIGATIONS TO REVEAL FRAUD

Mr. John Lundrigan (Gander-Twillingate): I have a question for the Minister of Labour. Can he tell the house what action his department has taken to eliminate the many injustices now being caused to people who would receive unemployment insurance benefits, brought about by the crackdown to eliminate fraud and enforce the regulations?

Hon. Bryce S. Mackasey (Minister of Labour): The only people in Canada who have anything to fear from the crackdown are those who intend to defraud the government and the Unemployment Insurance Commission.

Mr. Lundrigan: Mr. Speaker, I would like to say that I have received quite a number of—

[Mr. Stanfield.]

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member cannot say anything; he can only ask.

Mr. Lundrigan: I would like to ask the minister if he could tell the house whether the people who are making representations to a number of hon. members, including myself, are in actual fact dishonest, and whether—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member's supplementary question is argumentative.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

REQUEST THAT BILLS BE PRINTED IN GREATER NUMBERS

Mr. Stan Schumacher (Palliser): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the President of the Privy Council. In order that interested members of the public can participate more fully in our democratic processes on an informed basis, can the minister give the house some assurance as to the printing in the future of larger numbers of important public bills, such as the omnibus bill amending the Criminal Code, the bills amending the Estate Tax Act, and the official languages bill, so that a wider distribution of these bills can be made to members of the public who are interested.

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council): It is a little difficult to decide in each case which bill will be of wide interest and will require a larger distribution, but I am prepared to speak to the responsible officials in the house on this matter.

IMMIGRATION

TIMING OF DISTINCTION BETWEEN DESERTERS AND DRAFT DODGERS

Mr. J. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby): My question is for the Minister of Manpower and Immigration. In view of his statement made to the house last Thursday, and of the recent problems of U.S. students at the border, would he inform the house when his department first made the distinction between deserters and draft dodgers.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The question as put cannot be asked at this time.

CANADIAN YOUTH PARLIAMENT

REQUEST FOR RECONVENING OF AD HOC COMMITTEE

Hon. W. G. Dinsdale (Brandon-Souris): My question is for the right hon. Prime Minister. Now that the Ontario government has revealed its support for a Canadian youth