

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. It seems to me that the hon. member is asking the minister to express an opinion on a certain matter, and as such I do not think the question is acceptable.

**Mr. MacInnis:** On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, with regard to the ruling that you have just made about members of the opposition asking members of the government for opinions, does that same ruling not apply to the government when members of the opposition ask questions and the Prime Minister and other ministers get up and give opinions?

**Mr. Speaker:** It applies to all members.

#### INQUIRY OF THE MINISTRY

**Mr. John L. Skoberg (Moose Jaw):** Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Prime Minister. In view of the fact that the city of Moose Jaw has proclaimed itself the band capital of North America, having conducted the largest band festival on the continent, would the right hon. Prime Minister accept a Bette Graham theme song record dedicated to that great city of harmony, and which I would be pleased to deliver to his office?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please.

[Translation]

#### POST OFFICE

POSSIBLE NATIONAL STRIKE—REQUEST THAT PRIME MINISTER INTERVENE IN DISPUTE

**Mr. Gilbert Rondeau (Shefford):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Prime Minister.

In view of the failure of the mediator to settle the postal dispute and since the leaders of the postal unions are prepared to resume negotiations, is not the Prime Minister of the opinion that it would be advisable for him to attend these negotiations so that an agreement can be reached as soon as possible?

**Mr. Speaker:** Once again, the hon. member is inviting the government to express an opinion and I do not think that his question as worded is in order.

[English]

#### SOCIAL SECURITY

INQUIRY AS TO TABLING OF WILLARD REPORT

**Mr. Steven E. Paproski (Edmonton Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct my question to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. When does the minister plan to table the Willard report?

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#### Inquiries of the Ministry

**Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare):** Mr. Speaker, I have already indicated on a motion to table this report that the government has no intention of tabling it because it is a confidential document. It was an assessment, as the House knows, of our policies on which we are basing the white paper which is presently being worked on by the government.

**Mr. Paproski:** A supplementary question. Why does the minister speak in Algoma about the poverty-stricken and the poor when he has had this report before him for 16 months and we know that the cabinet has looked it over and that there are a lot of things that can be done for pensioners and the poverty-stricken?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. The hon. member's supplementary is really an argument in support of his original question; it is not a supplementary question.

#### TRADE

ACTION OF QUEBEC BOARD CONCERNING MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTERPROVINCIALY

**Mr. Stan Schumacher (Palliser):** Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of Justice and relates to a question asked him on May 28 concerning the Federation of Quebec Egg Producers, at which time he indicated that he would look into whether or not this body was legal. Bearing in mind that this matter affects interprovincial trade, is the minister in a position to answer the question?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. The minister might be allowed to reply but only to the extent that the hon. member for Palliser is not asking the minister to express a legal opinion. As the hon. member knows, this is not in order.

**Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice):** Mr. Speaker, within the limitations you have set for me may I say that I have consulted with the Minister of Agriculture, but I am not free, as Your Honour has suggested, to give a legal opinion in the House.

#### EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

CANADIAN ACTION BECAUSE OF SOUTH AFRICA'S APARTHEID POLICIES

**Mr. Paul Yewchuk (Athabasca):** Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Prime Minister. I should like to ask the Prime Minister