

Inquiries of the Ministry

Mr. Douglas: The minister is the Acting Prime Minister at this time.

Mrs. MacInnis (Vancouver-Kingsway): Can the Acting Prime Minister say, since in his speech to the students at the University of Toronto he said that part of their university education is paid for from proceeds of the sale of Canadian goods including arms to the United States, some of which have been used in Viet Nam, whether the government considers it wrong for students to protest against this situation?

Mr. Speaker: The question as asked is not proper, and is not acceptable to the Chair.

Mr. Ed. Schreyer (Springfield): Mr. Speaker, I wish to address a question to the Acting Prime Minister. Since this country has sent an increasing amount of war material to the United States and since that material has been used partly in the escalating war in Viet Nam, does the government plan to increase its financial aid for higher education? I ask that question because these two matters seem to have some relationship in the mind of the Acting Prime Minister.

Mr. Speaker: Since the question asked by the hon. member is of a general nature, I think it is out of order. I do not think it can be answered at this time of day during the question period. I suggest to the hon. member that if a statement is made on motions he can make his remarks at that time.

Mr. Schreyer: Is it in order to ask the Acting Prime Minister whether he is going to make a statement with respect to the subject matter of his remarks before the students of the University of Toronto?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, I have no intention of making such a statement. My advice to the hon. lady who raised this subject in the first instance—I see she is not here—is not to take too seriously everything she reads in newspapers. I could be glad to discuss with my hon. friend what I actually said and the context in which I said it. There was a wonderful exchange of words with a great group of young students, and I enjoyed the occasion thoroughly.

Mr. E. Nasserden (Rosthern): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the government house leader in his capacity as Minister of National Health and Welfare.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh.

[Mrs. MacInnis (Vancouver-Kingsway).]

Mr. Nasserden: Would the minister use his good offices to make the one hundredth anniversary of parliament's first meeting a truly memorable occasion for the senior citizens of our country by providing them with a bonus of \$100 each for this year?

Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, I shall draw that suggestion to the attention of the Minister of Finance.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh.

Mr. Knowles: How unkind can you be.

Mr. Douglas: How naïve.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**INQUIRY AS TO BUSINESS FOR
BALANCE OF WEEK**

On the orders of the day:

Hon. Michael Starr (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the government house leader. To allow the opposition to plan its work in advance, can the government house leader say what business the house will be expected to discuss tomorrow and for the next few days after that?

Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, if we complete second reading of the broadcasting bill today we shall take second reading of the capital punishment bill tomorrow and continue with that for several days. Later in the day I shall be better able to judge what tomorrow's business will be. Much will depend on whether we complete second reading of the broadcasting bill by the end of the day.

INDIAN AFFAIRS**REQUEST FOR EARLY MEETING OF
HOUSE COMMITTEE**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Erik Nielsen (Yukon): Mr. Speaker, I direct another question to the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development. Will he use his good offices with the chairman of the standing committee on Indian affairs, human rights and citizenship and immigration to have that committee meet at the earliest opportunity? Will he also refer to the committee the report "Indians and the Law" which was prepared for his department by the Canadian Corrections Association?