

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

[English]

**HEALTH AND WELFARE****MEDICARE—PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS OF  
FEDERAL CIVIL SERVANTS**

**Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, may I direct another question to the President of the Treasury Board. I should like to test his hopefulness again. Can the minister say whether a decision will soon be made and announced regarding the federal government's participation in the medicare premiums of its employees and superannuates in view of the great cost of these premiums in some provinces, particularly here in Ontario?

**Hon. C. M. Drury (President of the Treasury Board):** In the chronological sense, I am much more hopeful.

**REGIONAL ECONOMIC EXPANSION****SASKATCHEWAN—EXTENSION OF DESIGNATED  
REGIONS**

**Mr. John Burton (Regina East):** I have a question for the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion, Mr. Speaker. Since the population of Saskatchewan fell by 6,000 during the past year, the only province to experience such a decline, and since it has also experienced a serious decline in the income level, is it the intention of the government to extend or add to the designated regions in that province established under the Regional Development Incentives Act?

**Mr. Speaker:** I suggest to the hon. member that this type of question ought to be placed on the Order Paper or asked at the time of adjournment. The minister might like to make a statement on motions about the matter.

**TRANSPORT****PLACING OF FERRY, "PRINCE EDWARD  
ISLAND", IN MUSEUM**

**Mr. Heath Macquarrie (Hillsborough):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to address a question to the Minister of Transport. By his tie he could be a red Tory, but I am sure he is not. The question concerns the placing of that historic vessel, the *Prince Edward Island*, as an exhibit in two museums, in Ottawa and Prince Edward Island. Would he give consideration to having this fine old ship rest in one museum in one place? I could suggest such a place.

**Mr. Speaker:** That is a question for debate at the time of adjournment.

[Mr. Marchand (Langelier).]

**AIR TRANSPORT****WABUSH—REQUEST FOR STATEMENT ON  
FACILITIES FOR LANDING**

**Mr. Ambrose Hubert Peddle (Grand Falls-White Bay-Labrador):** Mr. Speaker, my question is to the Minister of Transport. In view of the evidence given by executives of Quebecair yesterday to the Standing Committee on Transport and Communications indicating that Department of Transport facilities at Wabush, Labrador, are far from adequate for the safe landing of large aircraft, and in view of the tragedy near the airport recently, will the minister be making a statement soon in regard to this extremely urgent matter?

**Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport):** Mr. Speaker, I have not seen the evidence that was given to the committee, but I should like to inform the House that Mr. Arnold Slangen of Quebecair has indicated that the news stories have misquoted him. These stories are all I have seen, but I have asked for a transcript. I understand that I am to appear before the transport committee tomorrow morning, at which time I will be glad to make a statement.

**BROADCASTING****SALE OF TELEVISION STATION CKLW—  
REQUEST FOR STATEMENT**

**Mr. Mark Rose (Fraser Valley West):** Mr. Speaker, I enjoy participating in the question period finale, though I seldom have enough breath left to put my question. My question is addressed to the Secretary of State. Given the urgent situation created by the sale of Windsor television station CKLW and the further Americanization of Canadian airwaves, plus the concentration of the communications media in Canada, would the minister make a statement on motions indicating what action either he or the CBC intends to take in this regard?

[Translation]

**Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State):** I am quite ready to consider that suggestion, Mr. Speaker.

[English]

**LAW REFORM****ESTABLISHMENT OF PERMANENT COMMISSION**

**Mr. John Gilbert (Broadview):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Justice, just in case he feels lonely or ignored. Has the minister set up the permanent law reform