

Inquiries of the Ministry

Canadian government go to the United States government and ask the United States government to go to their court of record, as a courtesy, and ask it to expedite proceedings so this emergency may be avoided?

Mr. Pepin: Our concern has already been brought to the attention of the United States government.

MR. JUSTICE LANDREVILLEINQUIRY AS TO PENSION ELIGIBILITY
FOLLOWING RESIGNATION

On the orders of the day:

Mr. David Lewis (York South): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Justice. In view of the nature of Mr. Justice Landreville's resignation and the circumstances in which that resignation was induced, will the minister assure the house that the government has no intention of compensating Mr. Justice Landreville by a generous pension?

Hon. P.-E. Trudeau (Minister of Justice): Mr. Speaker, the word "induced" used by the hon. member might apply to persons he knows, but I do not think he should put that word in my answer.

Mr. Lewis: I was referring to the Rand report, not the minister. He is as innocent as the driven snow.

Mr. Trudeau: What about the report, sir?

Mr. Lewis: The Rand report.

Mr. MacInnis (Cape Breton South): He does not know what you are talking about.

Mr. Trudeau: Mr. Speaker, I do not know that the Rand report refers to a pension—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

[Later:]

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a supplementary question to the Minister of Justice. Will the minister assure the house that no retired judge's pension will be awarded to Mr. Landreville without the matter first being brought to the attention of parliament?

Mr. Trudeau: Mr. Speaker, I see no reason why I should give that assurance.

[Later:]

Mr. Knowles: May I direct a further supplementary question to the one I asked of the [Mr. Hamilton.]

Minister of Justice, in the light of the answer that he gave me a few moments ago. Has the question of a retired judge's pension for Mr. Landreville already been settled?

Mr. Trudeau: No, Mr. Speaker.

LABOUR CONDITIONSBELL ISLAND, NFLD.—IMPLEMENTATION OF
RECOMMENDATIONS OF ATLANTIC
DEVELOPMENT BOARD

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Joseph P. O'Keefe (St. John's East): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Transport. Can the minister tell the house whether the government has yet reached a decision on the recommendations of the Atlantic Development Board in connection with Bell Island, Newfoundland?

Hon. J. W. Pickersgill (Minister of Transport): Yes, sir, I am happy to say that the government has made a favourable decision on the recommendations. I hope an announcement of the details by the Atlantic Development Board will be possible some time soon.

VETERANS AFFAIRSINQUIRY AS TO INTRODUCTION OF
PENSION LEGISLATION

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Harold E. Winch (Vancouver East): I desire to direct my question to the Minister of Veterans Affairs. In view of the fact that the government has seen fit to insert paid advertisements in newspapers across Canada proclaiming the week of June 11 to June 17 as veterans week and calling upon all veterans to wear their insignia as evidence of their service to Canada, will the minister inform this house when the Wood commission report will be received and whether the government will honour Canadian veterans by legislative enactment on pensions this year?

Hon. Roger Teillet (Minister of Veterans Affairs): As to the Wood commission report. I had the opportunity of speaking to the secretary in Winnipeg the day before yesterday. It is still hoped that the report will be in our hands by the end of this month.

As to the second question, I did answer it on a number of occasions in this house and I have nothing to add.

Mr. Winch: A supplementary question. Since the Wood report will be received by the end of this month, will legislative action be taken this session?