Inquiries of the Ministry

give serious consideration to sponsoring the MPs all-star ball team and the Press Gallery team on a cross-Canada tour so that the MPs all-star ball team could defeat the Press Gallery ball team in all provinces of Canada, thereby contributing to national unity?

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Baldwin: Put it under the Opportunities for Youth program.

Mr. Reid: I thought of that.

POWER

BAY OF FUNDY TIDES—REVIEW OF PROGRAMMING BOARD'S REPORT—REQUEST FOR STATEMENT ON NEGOTIATIONS

Mr. Robert C. Coates (Cumberland-Colchester North): Mr. Speaker, this question is directed to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. Would the minister give consideration to making a statement in the House before the summer recess on the status of negotiations between officials of his department and officials of the governments of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick concerning the terms of reference leading to a re-examination of the programming board's report in 1969 on Fundy power?

Hon. J. J. Greene (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, fairly recently I answered a written question on this matter to the effect that we still had not received a reply from the province of Nova Scotia in regard to continuing the studies.

Mr. Coates: I have a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. In view of the fact that the Premier of Nova Scotia has said he is not satisfied with the terms of reference proposed by the federal government, would the minister give consideration to reinstituting negotiations between Nova Scotia and New Brunswick and his officials so we can obtain an agreement and go forward with this re-examination that is so vitally important to the area and to Fundy power?

Mr. Greene: Mr. Speaker, without admitting the premise of the hon. member's suggestion, I would be very glad to consider it although I am not aware that Nova Scotia is not satisfied with the terms of reference, only that that province has not yet replied.

AIR CANADA

ALLEGED DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES AGAINST UNILINGUAL PERSONS

Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Minister of Transport if he will

[Mr. Reid.]

examine the evidence presented yesterday to the Standing Committee on Transport and Communications by the chairman and president of Air Canada, from which it would appear that there are certain discriminatory practices taking place in Air Canada in respect of unilingual French Canadians and unilingual English Canadians, and will the minister report back to the House?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Yes, Mr. Speaker, I will be glad to look at the testimony and if as a result of so doing I find there is some matter on which I can elaborate to the House I shall be glad to do so.

CRITICISM OF REGIONAL AIR POLICY BY CHAIRMAN—REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION

Mr. Thomas M. Bell (Saint John-Lancaster): Mr. Speaker, will the minister also clarify the regional air policy before the end of the session, since this policy has been criticized quite openly and singularly by the chairman, so that Air Canada will conduct its responsibilities in a proper way in the Maritimes?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Yes, Mr. Speaker. I do not know why the chairman would take that attitude. Without questioning the hon. member's statement, I should say I have not seen these comments in writing but I shall be glad to look at them.

[Translation]

INDUSTRY

TEXTILES—REPORT OF TEXTILE AND CLOTHING BOARD ON JAPANESE IMPORTS

Mr. Henry Latulippe (Compton): Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask a question of the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce but in his absence I shall direct it to the Acting Prime Minister.

Despite federal measures, Japanese imports are increasingly threatening the textile industry. Could the minister tell the House if the Textile and Clothing Board charged with the application of the new policy of the government has brought in a report? If so, what steps are recommended by the Board?

Mr. Speaker: It seems that such a question was raised just a few days ago. Anyhow, the minister concerned will be able to reply in due time to the hon. member.

[English]

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY

CARR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS—REQUEST FOR DEBATE

Mr. A. D. Alkenbrack (Frontenac-Lennox and Addington): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of Transport. Can the minister assure the House that no action will be taken on the inflation-producing recommendations of the William Carr and Associates