Hon. James Richardson (Minister of National Defence): Mr. Speaker, there are no plans to announce in that respect.

Some hon. Members: Shame!

Mr. Hees: Is it then the policy of the government, in educational institutions over which the federal government has complete jurisdiction, to deny to young women the same opportunities now available to young men, made available by the federal government?

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Perhaps before calling orders of the day I will recognize on supplementary questions the hon. member for Mackenzie and the hon. member for Burnaby-Richmond-Delta.

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ACCEPTANCE OF VALUATIONS OF FARMLANDS MADE BY OTHER THAN DEPARTMENTAL APPRAISERS

Mr. S. J. Korchinski (Mackenzie): Mr. Speaker, I will forgo my supplementary question to the Minister of National Health and Welfare and will direct my question, after three weeks, to the Minister of National Revenue. I wish to ask him if he is now prepared to answer the question I raised on February 1 whether evaluations made of farmlands by so-called appraisers will be recognized by the Department of National Revenue? I must apologize at this time, Mr. Speaker, but I feel a supplementary question coming on.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Hon. Robert Stanbury (Minister of National Revenue): Mr. Speaker, noticing the difficulty which the hon. member had in being recognized, I wrote him a letter some time ago giving him the answer. However, I know that this is a matter of concern to many farmers, and I want to respond in the House so that farmers will beware of people who misrepresent themselves as employees of the Department of National Revenue. Any appraisers offering their services at a fee are not employees of the department, and any appraisals made by them would not necessarily be accepted by the department.

Mr. Korchinski: Mr. Speaker, I do have a supplementary question. May I ask whether the department will now consider accepting some of these evaluations because of the difficulty in carrying out estate planning and because next of kin or those who may be left behind may have difficulty in trying to explain the position which has been established by former appraisers? Will the department at this time accept these appraisals? Will it consider that possibility in order to facilitate estate planning?

Mr. Stanbury: I will be glad to have any particular cases looked into that the hon. member might want to draw to my attention and see if that can be done. If the department is not satisfied with the valuation offered by an

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owner, then of course any valuations done by the department would be at the department's own expense, not at the owner's expense.

Mr. Korchinski: As a further supplementary-

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The Chair will recognize the hon. member for Burnaby-Richmond-Delta and then call orders of the day.

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INQUIRY OF THE MINISTRY

Mr. John Reynolds (Burnaby-Richmond-Delta): Mr. Speaker, my supplementary is directed to the right hon. Prime Minister. In view of the fact the Prime Minister stated in the House today that the Indians of James Bay have had to take the government of Quebec to court, and in view of the fact that the people of Sea Island are taking the government to court on Monday to seek stoppage of the expropriation of land for the Vancouver Airport, is it the policy of the government that the only recourse the people of Canada now have is to the courts of Canada, not through the parliament of Canada, to stop this government's illegal actions in expropriation proceedings?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. That is not a question but argument. The hon. member for Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe on a point of order.

Mr. Marshall: Thank God for points of order, Mr. Speaker, or I would never get recognized. Can the government House leader advise when the Standing Committee on Veterans Affairs will be called to deal with the basic pension rate and the joint study report?

Mr. Lang: Mr. Speaker, I understand work is under way to try to bring the committee's organization into being about Tuesday.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

SUPPLY

APPROPRIATION ACT No. 1, 1973

The House resumed, from Thursday, February 15, consideration in committee of Bill C-141, for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money for the public service for the financial year ending 31st March, 1973—Mr. MacEachen (for Mr. Drury)—Mr. McCleave in the chair.

On clause 2-Schedule.

The Chairman: When the committee rose last evening Vote 20a in the schedule relating to environmental services was under consideration. The hon. member for Timiskaming.

Mr. Nielsen: Mr. Chairman, I rise on a point of order in connection with speeding up the business of completing this bill. As you will recall, Sir, last evening we offered to