

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

the proposals of the Independent Petroleum Association of Canada contained in the association's brief which was presented to the cabinet recently?

**Right Hon. P.-E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** I will have to take notice of this question, Mr. Speaker.

**Mr. Paproski:** I would like to ask a supplementary—

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I must bring to the attention of hon. members that the question period has expired. In fact it expired a few moments ago. I have noted with vigilant eye those members who have tried to get the floor, and I shall make it my duty to recognize them at the earliest possible moment tomorrow.

**Mr. J. P. Nowlan (Annapolis Valley):** I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker. I waited patiently during the question period because I did not want to interrupt the flow of thought that occurred during a portion of the period. I was hoping that before the conclusion of the question period the Minister of Transport or his stand-in, the Minister without Portfolio, would be able to give me the answer the minister said he would give me in respect of the National Harbours Board decentralization study. Perhaps this might simplify matters tomorrow, since the committee is to meet to deal with the report which the Minister of Transport indicated he might very well table in the house today.

**Hon. James Richardson (Minister without Portfolio):** Mr. Speaker, I was in Winnipeg yesterday, but from reading *Hansard* in this regard I believe the Minister of Transport said he would read the report overnight.

**Mr. Bell:** Where the hell is he?

**Mr. Richardson:** I receive a lot of questions about the Department of Transport, but I do not know what the minister's bedtime reading is.

**BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE**

**Mr. G. W. Baldwin (Peace River):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the President of the Privy Council if he would give us the business of the house for the remainder of this week and next week.

**Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, as hon. members know, we will be in committee of supply today dealing with the estimates of the

[Mr. Paproski.]

Department of Agriculture. Tomorrow we will return to committee of supply to deal with the estimates of the Department of Transport. On Monday it is proposed that we deal with the estimates of the Department of Fisheries and upon their conclusion the resolution dealing with the fresh water fish marketing corporation. On Tuesday it is proposed that we deal with the motions to concur in the reports of the procedure committee. It is anticipated that this will take several sitting days next week. Therefore it is difficult to predict what will be the order of business for the balance of the week. The business that would follow, however, would be the resolution preceding the anti-dumping legislation after the completion of the consideration of the reports of the committee on procedure and as soon as the report is received from the finance committee.

**SUPPLY**

The house in committee of supply, Mr. Béchard in the chair.

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

1. Departmental administration including the Canadian agricultural services co-ordinating committee, contributions to the Commonwealth agricultural bureaux, and a contribution to the agricultural economics research council in an amount equal to one half the contributions to the council from other sources during the fiscal year but not exceeding \$50,000, \$8,520,375.

**The Deputy Chairman:** Order. House in committee of supply. Revised estimates of the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1969. Vote No. 1 will be found at page 8 of the blue book and the details thereof are listed at page 11.

**Hon. H. A. Olson (Minister of Agriculture):** Mr. Chairman, first I should like to express my appreciation to the chairman and members of the standing committee on agriculture for the manner in which they conducted the examination of the estimates of the Department of Agriculture before the standing committee. As hon. members of the committee are aware the examination of these estimates was concluded today. Again, I wish to commend the officers of the committee and the members of the committee for the manner in which they conducted this examination. I might also say at this time that at the beginning of the examination of these estimates before the standing committee I made a statement in general terms relating to the estimates. I am