Mr. Speaker: Order, please.

Mr. Korchinski: This is a serious question, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The question may be very serious, but it would be just as serious if it were placed on the order paper.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

POSSIBLE LEGISLATIVE CHANGES RESPECTING JUVENILE DELINQUENCY

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Frank Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Solicitor General. I would ask the minister whether he can indicate to the house when he might be preparing for introduction changes in the law based upon the recommendations of the committee on juvenile delinquency.

Hon. L. T. Pennell (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, we are now in the final stages of preparation of a draft discussion paper, which will be forwarded to the various provincial authorities. We shall be proposing a meeting perhaps a little later in the year.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

PRESENCE IN GALLERY OF SIR ROBERT MENZIES OF AUSTRALIA

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I wonder whether I might have the permission of the house to draw attention to the presence in the gallery of a very distinguished commonwealth and world statesman, the former prime minister of Australia, Sir Robert Menzies.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear.

HEALTH AND WELFARE

MEDICARE—REQUEST FOR REVIEW OF LEGISLATION

On the orders of the day:

Mr. G. L. Chatterton (Esquimalt-Saanich): Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday the right hon. Prime Minister undertook to look into the question of whether the request of the provinces for a conference on medicare would be acceded to. Can the Prime Minister now give us an answer?

Inquiries of the Ministry

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): No, Mr. Speaker. Unfortunately the Minister of National Health and Welfare had to leave yesterday. I hope to be able to do this tomorrow morning.

[Translation]

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

VISITS TO CANADA BY MEMBERS OF FRENCH GOVERNMENT

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Gilles Grégoire (Lapointe): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Secretary of State for External Aflairs (Mr. Martin).

Can the minister tell us if the French ministers who are coming to Quebec one after the other to sign agreements with that province are invited to Ottawa and, if so, why they fail to come as they might be expected to?

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, I can assure the hon. member—and he knows it very well—that all those ministers are always invited to Canada and that our relations with the government they represent are normal.

INQUIRY OF THE MINISTRY

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Auguste Choquette (Lotbinière): Mr. Speaker, may I put a question to the hon. Minister of Justice and Attorney General (Mr. Trudeau)? I assure you it is not the one I put yesterday.

Mr. Speaker, can the hon. minister tell us whether since the Conservative party and the member for Winnipeg South Centre (Mr. Churchill) have adopted the "two nations" theory, the committee headed by Mr. Carl Goldenberg has reported to him on the matter, and whether he agrees with that theory?

Mr. Speaker: Order. The question may be different, but it is just as out of order as the one asked yesterday.

[English]

TRADE

REASON FOR DECREASE IN EXPORTS LAST AUGUST

On the orders of the day:

Hon. George Hees (Northumberland): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Trade and Commerce. Could