

Question of Privilege

stated his department is not responsible for that decision. Would the Prime Minister make an inquiry in order to find out who took that decision which prevented the Royal 22nd from hoisting the fleur-de-lis flag, and report to the house in due course?

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Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): I will look into the matter, but of course the normal procedure that is followed in these ceremonies will be followed as it has been in the past on similar occasions.

[Later:]

[Translation]

Mr. Boutin: Mr. Speaker, I want to direct a question to the Secretary of State.

As the Prime Minister stated that my question of privilege this morning concerned the protocol division, for which the hon. Secretary of State is responsible to the house, could the latter answer the question of privilege I raised this morning, as well as the question asked by the hon. member for Shefford (Mr. Rondeau) with regard to the Royal 22nd regiment being refused permission to fly the fleur-de-lis flag during the ceremonies commemorating its 50th anniversary?

Hon. Maurice Lamontagne (Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, a short while ago the Prime Minister promised to study the question and, if possible, to give an answer next week. As far as I am concerned, I have nothing to add.

[Later:]

Mr. Boutin: Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question.

Would the Secretary of State tell us whether or not this matter is a responsibility of his department?

Mr. Lamontagne: Mr. Speaker, although I am not quite sure, I am under the impression that this matter is a responsibility of the Department of Public Works.

Mr. Boutin: Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Public Works.

Can he give us explanations with respect to the question of privilege I raised this morning?

Hon. J. P. Deschatelets (Minister of Public Works): Mr. Speaker, I will answer that question early next week, and the facts I shall establish will defeat the allegations the hon. member for Dorchester made this morning, because the members of the Royal 22nd were given a warm welcome.

[Mr. Rondeau.]

The hon. member can be assured that I will supply information which will clarify the point he raised this morning. He may be assured also, as well as all hon. members, that there was no discrimination whatsoever toward the Royal 22nd.

Mr. Boutin: A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker.

[Text]

Mr. Speaker: Order. This is becoming a debate.

AIR TRANSPORT**PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO CRASH OF T.C.A. PLANE**

Hon. Guy Favreau (Minister of Justice): Mr. Speaker, I should like to advise the house that the Minister of Transport has decided that a public inquiry should be held into the tragic loss of the aircraft at Ste. Thérèse, Quebec, on November 29, 1963, and that I have ascertained that Associate Chief Justice Chailles of the superior court of Montreal is willing to undertake this inquiry.

In view of the magnitude of the accident and the great loss of life, it was considered desirable by the government that the inquiry should be conducted by a judge of the superior court, and I am sure there will be general satisfaction that Mr. Justice Chailles is willing to act. The board of inquiry will be formally established and its terms of reference announced next week.

CRIMINAL CODE**AMENDMENTS RESPECTING PUBLICATION OF JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS**

Mr. G. C. Lachance (Lafontaine) moved for leave to introduce Bill No. C-125, to amend the Criminal Code (restriction on publication of proceedings).

Some hon. Members: Explain.

[Translation]

Mr. Lachance: Mr. Speaker, this bill would prohibit, except in cases mentioned in section 151 of the Criminal Code or any other legislation, the printing or publication of the names, addresses, professions or occupations of all parties and witnesses in all legal proceedings.

[Text]

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.