

either to the Minister of Finance and Receiver General, or to the President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada and Registrar General of Canada, or to either one of the parliamentary secretaries with respect to the legislation on fishing vessels.

Is the minister to which my question applies considering the possibility of appointing a parliamentary committee to review the various bankruptcies which have occurred, so that justice may be done to those persons affected by them?

[English]

Hon. L. T. Pennell (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, I will take this question as notice and bring it to the attention of the Acting Registrar General when he returns.

HIGHWAY SAFETY

REQUEST FOR POLICY STATEMENT BY PRIME MINISTER

On the orders of the day:

Mr. P. V. Noble (Grey North): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct this question to the Prime Minister. In view of the fact that in this our centennial year our highways will be taxed to the limit, will the Prime Minister make a statement now or within a few days and tell this house precisely where the government stands on the important aspects of highway safety, and what may be expected by way of leadership on the problem?

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I do not think that it would be appropriate on orders of the day to make a statement of that kind, which would be fairly lengthy. However, I can say that I had a very useful meeting with my colleague the Minister of Industry and members of the Canadian Highway Council the morning before last, when we assured them of our co-operation in the work that they are doing. Perhaps at a suitable opportunity the minister concerned will be able to make a statement in more detail.

FINANCE

INQUIRY AS TO TAXATION COMMISSION REPORT

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Reynold Rapp (Humboldt-Melfort-Tisdale): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Prime Minister. When will the Carter report on taxation be presented to the house?

Inquiries of the Ministry

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, may I answer this question because I think I have some later information than the Prime Minister. It is my hope that the Carter commission report, at least the first five volumes, will be submitted to me during the month of February, and I hope to table it as soon as I receive it.

Mr. L. M. Brand (Saskatoon): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. In view of statements made yesterday by one of the members of the Carter royal commission and the chairman of the Canadian Tax Foundation, I should like to ask the Minister of Finance whether he agrees with Mr. Vineberg that Canadians will be profoundly shocked and will suffer pain and anguish from the contents of the Carter report.

Mr. Speaker: Order.

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, arising out of the question asked by the hon. member for Saskatoon may I ask whether Mr. Vineberg, one of the members of the commission, was correct when he said that the report would be made public on a Saturday, possibly February 11, 18 or 25, to avoid affecting the stock markets during trading hours. Was he also correct in the prediction that he made as to its contents, and the fact that a capital gains tax, not retroactive in effect, would be one of the recommendations?

Mr. Sharp: Mr. Speaker, I am sure the right hon. gentleman is more familiar with the views of this commission, which he appointed, than I would be. I have not read this report. I have the same information as is reported in the newspapers about the possible dates, but I really do not know anything more than that.

[Translation]

LABOUR RELATIONS

MONTREAL—REFUSAL TO RECOGNIZE BARGAINING UNITS AT ANGUS SHOPS

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Maurice Allard (Sherbrooke): Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a question to the Prime Minister.

Since the Canada Labour Relations Board has just refused to recognize normal bargaining units, with regard to the request made by the Angus factory workers, would the government finally agree to amend the federal Industrial Relations and Disputes Investigation