

Inquiries of the Ministry

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I am not in a position to divulge what agreements might transpire between Canada and New Zealand.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

INQUIRY AS TO LEGISLATION RESPECTING JUVENILE DELINQUENTS

Mr. John Gilbert (Broadview): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the likeable and lovable Solicitor General.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

An hon. Member: Now you will have to answer, George.

Mr. Gilbert: I should like to ask the Solicitor General whether, in view of his desire to incorporate into legislation the recommendations of the report on juvenile delinquents, he will bring in amendments to the Juvenile Delinquents Act or bring forth a young offenders act? If so, will that be done before the present session finishes?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, we are in the process of drafting legislation on the subject of young offenders. The name of the new bill, of course, will not be determined until shortly before it is disclosed to the House. We are now at the stage of the fourth draft of the legislation and it will have to be considered by the government for official approval before being presented to the House for its consideration. I am unable to say at the moment whether or not that will be done during the present session.

Mr. W. C. Scott (Victoria-Haliburton): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Will this new legislation also apply to the young American draft dodgers?

TRADE

ATTENDANCE OF CANADIAN REPRESENTATIVES AT CANTON FAIR

Mr. David Anderson (Esquimalt-Saanich): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce. I should like to know whether the apparent impasse in the Canadian-Chinese talks at Stockholm has affected the presence of officials of his department at the Canton Trade Fair, which it is normally their practice to attend twice a year?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, my officers and trade commissioners are there, as

[Mr. McKinley.]

well as 50 Canadian businessmen. I might say very confidentially to the House—

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Pepin:—that Canadian trade commissioners are the only ones in the world who have been allowed to stay there for the full duration of the fair.

GRAIN

WHEAT—ACREAGE REDUCTION PROGRAM—AMENDMENTS TO WHEAT BOARD ACT REGULATIONS

Mr. John Burton (Regina East): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister without Portfolio in charge of the Wheat Board who is on the roster for today. In his absence, I will direct it either to the government House Leader who tabled the wheat inventory reduction regulations, or another appropriate minister. In view of the fact that these regulations tabled today cover only one portion of the Operation Lift program, can the minister indicate if the amendments to the regulations under the Canadian Wheat Board Act, also involved in this program, have been passed by this date?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): I do not know Mr. Speaker. I will find out and report next week.

Mr. Burton: A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. In view of the fact that the wheat inventory reduction regulations were passed on April 21 and only made available today, will all necessary steps be taken to expedite both the passage and publication of the regulations under the Canadian Wheat Board Act?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member will recognize that he is now making a submission which he has to assume has been noted. Orders of the day.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker, with regard to today's business. I may say there have been some discussions and the order has been inverted. The first item to be called will be the Supreme Court Act, to be followed by the Bill of Exchange Act. I also wish to report there have been some discussions regarding the calling of the Law Reform Commission Bill today. There is no agreement amongst the parties to bring it forward; therefore it will not be called today.