

request and our reply to the mayor of Moncton. It was along the lines I have already given, namely, that I hope to introduce the legislation very early, at the earliest possible time.

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ENERGY

EXPORT CONTROLS ON PETROLEUM PRODUCTS— DETRIMENTAL EFFECTS ON EASTERN CANADIAN REFINERIES—REQUEST FOR ADJUSTMENTS

Mr. Fred McCain (Carleton-Charlotte): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources and refers to previous answers in respect of the petroleum products control regulations. The implication in his remarks was, it seemed to me, that they will discourage investment in the construction of future petroleum industrial structures in eastern Canada. Would the minister adjust the present regulations to remove those aspects which might impede investment in the petroleum industry in the Atlantic area?

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources): Mr. Speaker, the primary purpose of the regulations is to protect refinery output intended primarily for Canadian consumption. Any particular project that might be proposed for re-export of the kind I referred to previously in my answer to the hon. member for York South would have to be considered on an individual basis. Naturally, a new project coming forward would not be affected in the same way that an existing refinery would be.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Hon. members will appreciate that we have now gone beyond the question period. I apologize to any members who are waiting for an opportunity to ask their questions, but I suggest that when we have so many supplementaries we encounter difficulties. I do not think there was one single question which did not carry two, three or more supplementaries. I think that is not an ideal practice to follow. Having said this, the hon. member for Carleton-Charlotte will be recognized, as were other members.

Mr. McCain: I should like to direct a supplementary question to the Acting Prime Minister. I wonder to what extent the government feels it can continue to impede investment and development opportunities in the Atlantic area in view of the statements of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources and the Minister of the Environment in the last month?

Mr. Speaker: I suggest to the hon. member that is argument.

Oral Questions POST OFFICE

ALLEGED MISUSE OF THE MAIIS IN RESPECT OF KLONDIKE DAYS

Mr. Erik Nielsen (Yukon): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Postmaster General. Is he aware of the fact that the mails are being used for the purpose of disseminating false and misleading information with respect to Klondike Days being designated as located at Edmonton. If so, has he taken the matter up with the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs and will he also inform all hon. members that the Klondike really is not in Edmonton but 1,500 miles north?

Mr. Speaker: I am not certain whether the hon. member for Edmonton Centre is rising on a point of order. In any event, perhaps he should be recognized.

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HEALTH AND WELFARE

LACK OF DAY-CARE CENTRES FOR CHILDREN OF WORKING MOTHERS—GOVERNMENT ACTION TO RECTIFY

Mr. Steven E. Paproski (Edmonton Centre): Mr. Speaker, I should really rise on a question of privilege but I will not until I have an answer to this question. It is directed to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. In light of the fact that there are day-care facilities in Canada for only 4 per cent of the children up to the age of six whose mothers work, and in light of the fact that a significant proportion of federal participation is in the form of LIP grants, would the minister tell the House whether the government has prepared any significant program to provide adequate day-care facilities across Canada and, if so, when will a statement be made?

Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, this subject, as well as several other aspects of social services, was raised and discussed in the working document I tabled in the House on April 18. We are discussing these matters with the provinces. I do not expect to be in a position to make a specific statement on the problem raised by the hon. member in the near future. I think this is a matter that will take several months of discussions with the provinces.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Sault Ste. Marie.

Mr. Diefenbaker: I rise on a question of privilege, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Speaker: I will recognize the right hon. member in a moment. The Chair has recognized the hon. member for Sault Ste. Marie.

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HEALTH

GRANTS FOR CANCER RESEARCH

Mr. Cyril Symes (Sault Ste. Marie): Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question for the Minister of National