

Inquiries of the Ministry

Mr. Monteith: I shall be very brief, Mr. Speaker. I take it then that the legislation will not be enacted in time to have it take effect in September?

Mr. Munro: I do not think that would be possible.

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POLLUTION**PROVISION OF FUNDS TO ENABLE FISHERIES RESEARCH BOARD TO EMPLOY STUDENTS THIS SUMMER**

Mr. Lloyd R. Crouse (South Shore): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Fisheries and Forestry. In view of the emphasis presently being directed toward environmental protection, as indicated by the minister's speech in Kamloops on April 24, will the minister indicate whether any funds have been made available for the hiring of students this summer for pollution control work and studies by the Fisheries Research Board?

Hon. Jack Davis (Minister of Fisheries and Forestry): The answer is yes, Mr. Speaker.

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NATIONAL REVENUE**EMPLOYEES' COURSES ON TAX REFORM—NATURE OF INSTRUCTION**

Mr. Mac T. McCutcheon (Lambton-Kent): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of National Revenue. In view of the fact that key employees of the Department of National Revenue are to be given two-week courses on tax reform, can the minister state if this instruction is based on the principles originally set out in the white paper on tax reform or is it on an amended version?

Hon. Herb Gray (Minister of National Revenue): Mr. Speaker, any instruction in this regard will come after the bill is before the House.

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CANADIAN KENNEL CLUB**INVESTIGATION OF DELAY IN PROCESSING REGISTRATIONS AND TRANSFERS**

Mr. Les Benjamin (Regina-Lake Centre): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of Agriculture. In view of the fact that many complaints are being received that it takes a year or more to obtain registrations, transfers of ownership, and so forth from the Canadian Kennel Club and that this organization seems to be going to the dogs, can the minister advise if any investigation is being made into the operations of the Canadian Kennel Club and is he having his officials oversee their operations and enforce the legislation for which he is responsible?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member's incisive and biting question should be placed on the order paper.

[Mr. Speaker.]

AIRPORTS**EDMONTON—DECISION ON CONTINUED USE OF INDUSTRIAL AIRPORT BY 737s**

Mr. Hu Harries (Edmonton-Strathcona): Mr. Speaker, may I ask the Minister of Transport when a decision will be made by his department in respect of the continued use of the Edmonton industrial airport by 737s.

An hon. Member: When you are next back in the House.

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, I hope the decision to which the hon. member refers can be made within the next week or ten days. There is a necessity for consultation with the city of Edmonton on this issue and such talks, which have been going on for some time, will be resumed on Monday, I believe.

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TRANSPORT**DISCUSSION OF WESTERN CANADA RAILWAY FREIGHT RATES WITH PROVINCIAL PREMIERS**

Mr. R. R. Southam (Qu'Appelle-Moose Mountain): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Transport. This seems to be his day in the House. My question relates to the study that has been taking place now for several months by the minister and his officials and the premiers and officials of western Canada in connection with the excessively high freight rates prevailing in that region. Can the minister indicate whether this problem is reaching a resolution and, if not, when does he anticipate it will?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, I suppose the matter of freight rates in western Canada or in any part of Canada will never reach what the hon. member calls a resolution, but some easement or improvement of the situation I hope will result from the current talks. As to the timetable, I am afraid I cannot be specific other than to say I hope it will be within a matter of weeks.

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INFORMATION CANADA**POSSIBILITY OF REDUCING COST OF PUBLICATIONS FOR STUDENTS**

Mr. Léonel Beaudoin (Richmond): Mr. Speaker, I want to direct a question to the Secretary of State.

Can he indicate to the House what possibilities there are for Information Canada to lower the prices of books sold to students in order to make it easier for young students who would like to use these books to get information?

Hon. Gérard Pelletier (Secretary of State): Mr. Speaker, I think that the hon. member directed his question to the wrong minister.