

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

did not have a sense of responsibility and that they were unwanted in parliament?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. In my opinion, this question is not in order.

**Mr. Grégoire:** Mr. Speaker, the Minister of Justice made statements which are apparently quite irresponsible.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. The hon. member cannot raise this point in the circumstances—

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

Can he tell the house whether he delegated his Minister of Justice to the public meeting in Sorel last Sunday and whether it is his intention to allow other federal ministers to go and help Mr. Lesage?

[English]

**Hon. Michael Starr (Ontario):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Public Works. When he makes announcements in my riding about public works, will he also give the announcements to the radio station as well as to the newspaper? He might also send a copy to me.

**Mr. R. Gordon L. Fairweather (Royal):** Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Finance. Is the minister optimistic about the success of plans which would prevent the hon. member for Davenport, as requested by the leader of the Liberal party in Manitoba, from carrying his party into a Toronto oriented policy?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I cannot accept that question.

**Mr. Fairweather:** Ten o'clock, Mr. Speaker.

**FISHERIES****NORTH PACIFIC—DISPUTE WITH U.S.  
OVER SALMON**

On the orders of the day:

**Hon. H. J. Robichaud (Minister of Fisheries):** Mr. Speaker, I regret that I was unable to reply to the question from the hon. member for Red Deer on Friday last, due to my absence from the house. I may say also that I received notice from the hon. member for New Westminster that he intended to ask a

[Mr. Grégoire.]

question similar to that put by the hon. member for Red Deer.

I agree with hon. gentlemen that the situation arising out of the controversy about salmon net fishing limits in the Noyes island area off Alaska is one which requires the urgent attention of the Canadian government. I should like to assure the hon. gentlemen that the Canadian government has been giving this matter its most serious attention and is taking steps to deal with it as effectively as possible.

Contrary to rumours circulating in recent days to the effect that a proposed meeting to be held in Seattle was to be cancelled, in fact such a meeting is to be held in Seattle between officials of the Canadian and United States governments to renegotiate the location of lines along the coasts of California, Oregon, Washington, British Columbia and Alaska, to the seaward of which net fishing for salmon will be prohibited for Canadian and United States fishermen. The Canadian government is fully aware of the unsatisfactory situation which has prevailed because of the discrepancy in the net fishing limits as applying, on the one hand, to British Columbia along with California, Oregon and Washington, and on the other hand to the state of Alaska, a discrepancy which is not satisfactory from the Canadian standpoint.

I wish to assure this house that the Canadian representatives at the Seattle meeting will do their utmost to work toward arrangements regarding net fishing limits on the west coast which are satisfactory to Canada.

**Mr. G. L. Chatterton (Esquimalt-Saanich):** May I ask a supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. May I ask the minister whether any representations have been made to the minister by the United States administration with regard to a possible retaliation by way of our exports of fish products, if Canada takes unilateral action?

**Mr. Robichaud:** No, Mr. Speaker, no such representations by the government of the United States have come to my attention.

**AGRICULTURE****QUEBEC—FAILURE TO PAY FULL  
MILK SUBSIDY**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Heward Graffey (Brome-Missisquoi):** Mr. Speaker, last week it was pointed out to the Minister of Agriculture that a few days