

Inquiries of the Ministry

two young men who in their second race together were able to win a gold medal for Canada.

The government, of course, is always considering improvement of the fitness and amateur sport program. As my hon. friend knows, each year another \$1 million is added until the \$5 million originally planned has been expended. It is obvious that even when the \$5 million is reached this will be insufficient to provide all the money necessary for capital works or for other uses to which money might be put, but the fact is that the government is from time to time giving increasing attention to the possibility of expanding this program.

Mr. Harold E. Winch (Vancouver East): Mr. Speaker, what did the hon. member mean by "unexpected" when it is Vancouver that is involved? Our athletes have won a gold medal and a bronze medal.

Mr. Aiken: A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Is the minister aware that in both cases, the bobsled team last winter and the rowing team this fall, the participants had difficulty in getting themselves and their equipment to the Olympics?

Miss LaMarsh: Yes, Mr. Speaker, but that obviously did not deter them from carrying off the highest awards, and this situation is far from unique to Canada.

Mr. Erik Nielsen (Yukon): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Can the Minister of Justice advise the house whether the government is planning to give Hal Banks a gold medal for bail jumping?

LABOUR RELATIONS**MARITIME UNION TRUSTEES—APPEARANCE BEFORE HOUSE COMMITTEE**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Bow River): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Labour. In view of the pending S.I.U. elections I wonder whether the minister has now made a decision to bring the trustees before a standing or special committee of the House of Commons at this time, particularly since Mr. Banks has now shown up in New York and has his judicial thumb on some aspects of the election.

Mr. Diefenbaker: How do you know the government knows?

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Portage-Neepawa.

[Miss LaMarsh.]

Mr. Enns: Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Justice—

Mr. Woolliams: Mr. Speaker, did the Minister of Labour hear my question? I asked him whether he was intending to bring the maritime trustees before a standing committee of the House of Commons, and I think it is an important question.

Hon. A. J. MacEachen (Minister of Labour): Mr. Speaker, I heard the question. I answered it two days ago.

[Later:]

Mr. Woolliams: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a question of privilege with respect to a question I put to the Minister of Labour today. Briefly, I asked him was it the intention of the government to bring the maritime trustees before a special or standing committee of the House of Commons to be questioned on matters affecting the S.I.U.

The minister said he had answered this question two days ago. I have checked *Hansard* very carefully, and this is the first opportunity I have to bring the matter to Your Honour's attention. My question was entirely different from the question put to the minister two days ago by the hon. member for Winnipeg North and the hon. member for Kootenay West. The minister has tried to mislead the house. He has been evasive and, above all, he has been most arrogant in his evasion so far as this matter is concerned. It is arrogance of the worst kind.

CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION**VANCOUVER—POSSIBLE USE OF FORMER R.C.A.F. BASE**

On the orders of the day:

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Leader of the Opposition): May I direct a question to the Prime Minister, because it is a matter covering several departments. It has to do with the Kitsilano reserve property in Vancouver. Is it correct that a statement has been made in this connection indicating that the government will lease 15 acres of the 26 acre Kitsilano reserve site for a 99 year period to the city of Vancouver for park use at one dollar per year; that the C.B.C. will lease the buildings on this property from the city of Vancouver for a period of 10 to 15 years at an annual rental of \$52,000 per year, and that the balance of the 26 acre site, namely 11 acres, on which the defence buildings stand, will be purchased by Vancouver for \$250,000?