

HEALTH

SAFETY DEVICES TO CONTROL EXHAUST EMISSIONS
FROM PROPOSED NUCLEAR REACTORS

Mr. J. M. Forrestall (Dartmouth-Halifax East): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of National Health and Welfare. Some weeks ago I asked the minister whether Canada had sought any assurance in respect of safety from the United States agencies which are planning to construct at least 20 or perhaps more nuclear generating plants along the shores of the Great Lakes during the 1970's.

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Not that I am aware of, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Forrestall: I wonder if the government and the minister would see fit, in view of the alarming studies that are coming to light now as a result of tests made on nuclear generating plants, to find some method of communicating to the United States authorities Canada's concern about the dangers of smoke and exhaust emissions from these nuclear generating plants?

Mr. Munro: I will be pleased to take that suggestion under advisement.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

SEIZURE OF CANADIAN FISHING VESSEL BY
UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES

Mr. H. W. Danforth (Kent-Essex): I should like to direct my question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs. Is he in a position to indicate briefly now or perhaps by a statement on motions the circumstances regarding the seizure yesterday by United States authorities on Lake Erie of a Canadian fishing tug and crew, and whether representations will be made on their behalf?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Yes, Mr. Speaker. The Canadian consulate in Cleveland has been following the situation closely. Immediately on learning yesterday of the arrest by Ohio state wildlife authorities of the Canadian tug *The Liddle Brothers* and its Canadian master and crew the consulate got in touch with Captain Liddle to ensure that he would have the services of legal counsel when the case came into court in Lorain, Ohio, today. Action was also taken to arrange for a consular officer to be present as an observer and to establish that while awaiting trial the Canadian fishermen are released on bail and allowed to stay aboard their vessel.

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CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

MINIMUM WAGES—SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTE WITH
CHATEAU LAURIER HOTEL EMPLOYEES

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, may I ask the Minister of Labour whether there are any developments he can report to the House con-

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cerning the case of the Chateau Laurier and other Canadian National hotels with regard to the payment of minimum wages?

Hon. Bryce Mackasey (Minister of Labour): I am pleased to announce that a settlement was reached about an hour ago between the Chateau Laurier and the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway, Transport and General Workers. I hope the settlement will include above-minimum wages. Because collective bargaining has achieved liveable wages does not change my opinion that this Crown corporation should abide by the Canada Labour (Standards) Code.

TRANSFER OF AIRBRAKE REPAIRING FROM MONCTON
TO MONTREAL

Mr. Guy Crossman (Westmorland-Kent): My question is directed to the Minister of Transport. Would the minister ask the CNR to reconsider its decision to transfer airbrake valve repair from Moncton to Montreal, which will mean 30 jobs less in the Moncton shops?

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): I will be very glad to make that representation.

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

STUDY OF WEST GERMAN ECONOMIC POLICIES BY
MINISTER ON TRIP TO EUROPE

Mr. Lloyd R. Crouse (South Shore): I wish to direct my question to the Secretary of State for External Affairs. In view of the fact that West Germany has a severe shortage of workers today while Canada has officially some 500,000 unemployed, did the Secretary of State for External Affairs have an opportunity to study the policies in effect at present in West Germany while he was in Europe recently in the hope that some of them may be implemented in Canada to ease our unemployment situation?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): While I was in Germany I only had the opportunity to visit our base at Lahr. I did not have an opportunity to speak to any ministers about this particular problem.

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REGIONAL ECONOMIC EXPANSION

SEMINAR ON DEVELOPMENT OF MARKETS IN UNITED
STATES FOR ATLANTIC PROVINCES PRODUCTS

Mr. Robert C. Coates (Cumberland-Colchester-Hants): My question is for the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion. Is the minister now in a position to inform the House if his officials have met or are willing to meet officials of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce for the purpose of bringing about a business seminar in the Atlantic provinces to assist in the development