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can determine whether it is the kind of report sorts of material which will assist them in the which should go to a parliamentary committee for consideration, to see how these wage slaves-some of whom receive a much larger income than does the hon. member-are treated.

## NATIONAL DEFENCE

### REQUEST THAT EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER PARTICIPATE IN UNIFICATION DEBATE

On the orders of the day:

Hon. Gordon Churchill (Winnipeg South Centre): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the minister of external affairs, who appears to be in a better mood this week than last week. Will the minister contribute to the discussion of unification of the armed forces this week by indicating to the house the importance to his department of destroying the identity of the three services, the navy, the army and the air force, as intended by the Minister of National Defence?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I would think there is a possibility that the minister might want to contribute to the debate later this afternoon along the lines suggested by the hon. member, but I do not think that question can be asked now.

Hon. Paul Martin (Secretary of State for External Affairs): On a question of privilege, Mr. Speaker, I should like to say that I was in the west last week and noticed in my hon. friend's constituency a great deal of disunification.

Mr. Churchill: I will be out there this week to correct the bad impression left by the minister.

#### [Later:]

Mr. Churchill: My question is for the Minister of National Defence and it concerns the propaganda task force which he has posted just behind the press gallery. Would the minister instruct his propaganda agents to draw to the attention of the press my speech of November 4 in which I accused the minister of knowingly and deliberately misleading the House of Commons?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of National Defence): I asked these people to attend during the present debate because indications are that the hon. gentleman and some of his colleagues have such a primitive knowledge of the subject under discussion that we are happy and willing to make available to them all ment outside the legislature that he had asked

[Mr. Pearson.]

preparation of their speeches.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh.

Mr. Churchill: Will the minister make available to us in the opposition the slick, 47 page booklet complete with photographs of military hardware which he has distributed to servicemen, veterans groups, writers and other interested persons and organizations? This contains his speech of December 7, which was most uninteresting. With the addition of the photographs and pictures we might be enlightened and amused.

Mr. Hellyer: I would be pleased to do that.

Mr. Donald MacInnis (Cape Breton South): I would ask the minister to review his last answer to the hon. member for Winnipeg South Centre. Does he recognize that his answer contains an admission that this propaganda force is actually in being?

Mr. Speaker: Order. That is hardly a proper question.

## CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

DECISION NOT TO TELEVISE UNIVERSITY DEBATE ON VIET NAM

On the orders of the day:

Mr. L. R. Sherman (Winnipeg South): My question is addressed to the Secretary of State. It arises out of the fact that ten Canadian university teams will debate the Viet Nam war on March 17 at York University, and that two United States networks are apparently planning to televise the event. Since the C.B.C. has said it does not plan to carry this program, would the hon. lady consider using her influence to try to obtain a reversal of that decision?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State): No.

#### CRIMINAL CODE

POSSIBLE AMENDMENT RESPECTING ELECTRONIC LISTENING DEVICES

On the orders of the day:

Mr. David Orlikow (Winnipeg North): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Justice. In view of the statement made yesterday in the Ontario legislature by the attorney general of that province that the Ontario Provincial Police use electronic listening devices in criminal cases, and his state-