

An hon. Member: Rise and shine.

Mr. David MacDonald (Egmont): Mr. Speaker, I put a somewhat similar question some days ago to the Minister of Transport and he assured me that within a day or two he would be prepared to make a statement both on the rates and on some of the difficulties that have been encountered recently with regard to the C.N.R. operations. Is that being postponed again, or may we expect a statement this week?

Hon. Paul Hellyer (Minister of Transport): I doubt that it will be possible to make it this week, but I hope that we can have this matter settled in a just manner within a few days.

Mr. James A. McGrath (St. John's East): I have a further supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Is the minister prepared to say to the house whether a decision has been taken to raise the rates on this important service this summer?

Mr. Hellyer: Yes, Mr. Speaker. The answer is no as of now.

INQUIRY OF THE MINISTRY

Mr. Barry Mather (Surrey): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs. Having in mind the fact that this month a great many consumers across the country are having to pay a great deal more money for a much reduced mail service, I wonder whether the minister would investigate those responsible for this situation, possibly starting with the Postmaster General?

EXPROPRIATION

INQUIRY AS TO INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION

Mr. R. N. Thompson (Red Deer): Mr. Speaker, my question is directed to the Minister of Justice. In view of past assurances by the minister that legislation to amend the Expropriation Act would be introduced to the house this session, can the minister inform the house when this might be?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): I said, in answer to a question from the hon. member for Peel South a few days ago, that I hope the legislation will be introduced in the next two or three weeks.

Inquiries of the Ministry CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

WORLD HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS IN SWEDEN

Mr. Steven E. Paproski (Edmonton Centre): My question is directed to the Secretary of State and it relates to the coverage by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation of the recent world hockey championships in Sweden. In view of the government's declared intention to avoid waste, can the minister report to the house the reason for sending 56 C.B.C. employees to Sweden for three weeks, when the television contract for the world hockey games had already been secured by C.T.V.?

Mr. Speaker: I am afraid this question should be placed on the order paper.

PEST CONTROL

USE OF D.D.T. IN CANADA

Mr. A. P. Gleave (Saskatoon-Biggar): I would direct a question to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. In view of the fact that Sweden has banned outright the use of d.d.t. in that country because of its harmful effects on human beings and other higher forms of life—

An hon. Member: Explain.

Mr. Baldwin: He must mean Conservatives.

Mr. Gleave: —is the effect of this chemical and its use in Canada being investigated?

Mr. Speaker: The question can be placed on the order paper or debated at the time of the adjournment.

NATIONAL DEFENCE

A.B.M. SYSTEM—MISSILE SITE IN MICHIGAN AREA

Mr. Maurice Foster (Algoma): My question is for the Minister of National Defence. Can the minister tell the house whether the United States anti-ballistic missile site for the Michigan-Ohio area will be located in the vicinity of Sault Ste. Marie, in the upper peninsula of Michigan?

Mr. Speaker: I would think that this question, if it is in order, should be placed on the order paper.