

body as the right hon. member for Prince Albert seems inclined to think.

[English]

Mr. Diefenbaker: Mr. Speaker, that is scarcely an answer to the question. I never took the minister to be other than a nonentity.

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[Translation]

POST OFFICE

ISSUE OF STAMP IN HONOUR OF PIERRE LAPORTE

Mr. Ian Watson (Laprairie): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Postmaster General.

Does he intend to issue a stamp in memory of Pierre Laporte?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Côté (Minister without Portfolio): Mr. Speaker, even though the 1971 commemorative stamps program has already been published the department is considering the possibility of issuing in 1971 a stamp in honour of Pierre Laporte, which would mark Mr. Laporte's 50th anniversary.

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[English]

IMMIGRATION

ADMISSION TO CANADA OF BLACK PANTHER MEMBER, RAYMOND HEWITT

Hon. W. G. Dinsdale (Brandon-Souris): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Prime Minister. In light of the conflict arising from the statement of the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion equating the FLQ and the Black Panthers as fellow revolutionary terrorists, and in light of the permissive attitude expressed by the Minister of Immigration yesterday with reference to the visit of Black Panther Ray Hewitt to a university campus in the province of Manitoba, would the Prime Minister clarify the government's position on this matter to allay the concern of many responsible citizens in the keystone province?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, the Minister of Manpower and Immigration stated the government's position perfectly adequately yesterday.

Mr. Dinsdale: Do I take it from the Prime Minister's statement that it is the policy of the government to detain under the War Measures Act visitors to Canada who belong to movements committed to the overthrow of law and order by terror and violence, or does the policy apply only to Canadians?

Mr. Thomas M. Bell (Saint John-Lancaster): Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question which is similar to the question the Prime Minister did not answer. When the government considered this matter of the Black Panthers, did it take into consideration the new statements made by the fugitive Black Panther leader, Eldridge Cleaver, contained in the *New York Times* for

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November 1, wherein he openly advocated political assassination, the killing of Richard Nixon and encouraging people all over the United States to kill police? If so, why did the government make such a decision?

Mr. Trudeau: Mr. Speaker, my reading on terrorists is not as adequate as that of the hon. member—

Mr. MacInnis: That is your problem.

Mr. Trudeau: —but I am glad his party is at last getting around to realizing that the government did right in invoking the War Measures Act.

With regard to the previous question, which I did not answer because I did not understand the last words of the question, even though I am being asked for a legal opinion I think I can be permitted to state my opinion on the matter. We would treat aliens in the same way as we treat Canadians if they fall under the definitions in the War Measures Act regulations or the new law. If the hon. member reads the regulations he will find they were directed at a special circumstance, but were not limited in regard to the nationality of people who might be accused under the regulations.

Mr. Dinsdale: A further supplementary question to the Solicitor General. Could the minister inform the House whether any aliens fitting into the category of revolutionary terrorists have been detained up to the present moment?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, I would have to get more information to answer fully on that point, but there is one such case with which I am familiar.

Mr. J. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby): A supplementary question, Mr. Speaker. Would the Solicitor General give serious consideration to having everybody wearing a pink shirt arrested?

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CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

NON-PAYMENT OF MINIMUM WAGE—RETIRED EMPLOYEES PENSIONS—GOVERNMENT ACTION

Mr. John L. Skoberg (Moose Jaw): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Labour. Taking into consideration the well received stand last week by the Minister of Labour in connection with payment by the CNR of less than the federal minimum wage, would the Minister of Labour inform the House what action has now been taken in this regard?

Hon. Bryce Mackasey (Minister of Labour): Mr. Speaker, I have not changed my opinion that Crown corporations should pay minimum wages, as should all industries that come within federal jurisdiction. I expressed this opinion two weeks ago and gave my department the authority to proceed in the matter in the usual manner. I refer to the application of the rules and regulations under which the Department of Labour normally proceeds in such cases. I presume that advice is now being