

*Inquiries of the Ministry*

**Hon. Lionel Chevrier (Minister of Transport):** I may say that the proposal has not been discussed, but it is the intention to discuss it at a future date. In reply to the question whether extraterritorial rights will be granted to the United States, I think my hon. friend well knows that the answer is no.

I have forgotten the third question.

**Mr. Pouliot:** Who intends to build the aerodrome? Who will own it if it is built, and who will operate it?

**Mr. Chevrier:** If the project comes to fruition in Canadian territory, the airport will certainly be operated by the Department of Transport. As I say, there have been no discussions but I am informed that it is the intention to have some. Until those discussions have taken place it is impossible to give more definite information.

**UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE****EMPLOYEES OF HOSPITALS AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS—PUBLIC HEARINGS**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Angus MacInnis (Vancouver East):** Mr. Speaker, in the absence of the Minister of Labour (Mr. Mitchell) I should like to ask his parliamentary assistant if the public hearings that were called by the unemployment insurance commission to discuss the bringing of employees of hospitals and charitable institutions under the Unemployment Insurance Act have been cancelled, and, if so, for what reason. The meeting was called for February 24.

**Mr. Paul E. Cote (Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Labour):** This proposed meeting has not been cancelled. I believe that the date has been delayed somewhat in order to meet the convenience of a number of delegates.

**PUBLIC BUILDINGS****CHARLOTTETOWN—QUESTION AS TO CALLING FOR TENDERS**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. W. Chester S. McLure (Queens):** Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Public Works. Have tenders been called for the erection of the dominion public building at Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island? If not, when will they be called? Perhaps the minister would prefer to make a statement with reference to this matter, and if so he can take this question as notice.

**Hon. Alphonse Fournier (Minister of Public Works):** To the best of my knowledge, tenders [Mr. Pouliot.]

have not been called, but they will be called as soon as the plans and specifications are ready, which I hope will be soon.

**POST OFFICE****RURAL MAIL COURIERS—INQUIRY AS TO COMMITTEE ON POST OFFICE ACT AMENDMENT BILL**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Gordon Graydon (Peel):** I should like to ask the Postmaster General if when the bill with respect to the Post Office Act, envisaged in the speech from the throne, is introduced, it will be sent to a committee to consider the problems of the rural mail couriers.

**Hon. Edouard Rinfret (Postmaster General):** We have not discussed the matter yet. I shall take it under advisement.

**Mr. Graydon:** The Postmaster General can take this as notice that we should like to have that done.

**TARIFFS AND TRADE****MEASURES ARISING OUT OF GENEVA AND ANNECY CONFERENCES**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Donald M. Fleming (Eglinton):** I should like to ask the Minister of Finance if it is the intention to bring before parliament at this session any measure arising out of the conferences at Geneva and Annecy?

**Hon. Douglas Abbott (Minister of Finance):** No decision has yet been taken as to whether any such measures will be brought before parliament. One factor in arriving at such a decision will be the action which may be taken by the congress of the United States.

**RAILWAYS****ADDRESS OF MINISTER OF TRANSPORT IN TORONTO, FEBRUARY 20**

On the orders of the day:

**Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Transport. Can he say whether in the speech which he is reported to have delivered yesterday in Toronto on railway matters he was enunciating government policy, and is he prepared to table a copy of that speech in full so that hon. members may have it?

**Hon. Lionel Chevrier (Minister of Transport):** The speech which I delivered yesterday in Toronto dealt with a general consideration of railroad matters. It dealt with the position