

Inquiries of the Ministry

make a statement to the house with reference to the news report that a meeting will be held in Ottawa this fall of nations interested, with Canada, in the forming of peace keeping machinery to be available to the United Nations? Are these reports correct, and can the Prime Minister make a statement on the matter to the house?

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, the matter is under consideration. Discussions have taken place through diplomatic channels and I hope a report on this matter will be made in a very short time either by myself or my hon. friend the Secretary of State for External Affairs.

ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE**IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS RESPECTING JUVENILE DELINQUENCY**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Eldon Woolliams (Bow River): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Justice; he may not be in a position to answer it today. I put a question on the order paper with reference to juveniles incarcerated in the penitentiaries of Canada. The answer to that question showed that one child under 14 or 15 years of age was in a penitentiary. Is his department considering implementing the recommendations of the royal commission with reference to the investigation of juvenile delinquency, and in particular taking some steps in regard to children of that age being placed in the penitentiaries of Canada?

Hon. Guy Favreau (Minister of Justice): Mr. Speaker, I thank the hon. member for bringing this to my attention.

WATER RESOURCES**LAKE ONTARIO—POLLUTION THROUGH DUMPING OF OILY WASTE**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. A. D. Alkenbrack (Prince Edward-Lennox): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Transport of which I have given him notice. In view of the current heavy pollution of the waters and shores of lake Ontario bounding Prince Edward and Lennox counties, which is apparently created by the ruthless dumping of oily wastes by shipping on the lake and which is ruinous to the beaches, the tourist industry and to fish and game, will the minister use his authority to investigate forthwith the origin of this pollution and use all means available to him to

apprehend, prosecute and stop this flagrant and barbaric breach of the law?

Hon. J. W. Pickersgill (Minister of Transport): I am very much against pollution, Mr. Speaker, and I will do everything I can.

INDUSTRY**PETERBOROUGH, ONT.—REMOVAL OF PART OF PLANT TO U.S.**

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Fred F. Stenson (Peterborough): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct my question to the Minister of Industry. Is he aware that the Fisher Gauge plant in Peterborough is moving part of its operation to the United States on account of the 11 per cent sales tax that is going to be levied on production machinery? I should also like to ask him if his department was in touch with this plant in Peterborough.

Hon. C. M. Drury (Minister of Industry): Yes, Mr. Speaker, my officials have been in touch for some time with the Fisher Gauge operation in Peterborough. We are aware of the factors which have led them to consider removing part of their operation to the United States. I think it would be unwise or untrue for me to suggest that the 11 per cent sales tax was the only reason for this move. There are a number of complex factors, and we are endeavouring to correct as many of those factors as we can to try to prevent this move taking place.

Mr. Winkler: Have you discussed it with the Minister of Finance?

Mr. Stenson: A supplementary question. I understand the Department of National Revenue has had auditors in the plant. What recommendations have been made to the minister's department or the Department of National Revenue with regard to this plant? I asked the minister, I think, and the Minister of National Revenue for this information some time ago, and I have not received it.

Mr. Drury: Mr. Speaker, I do not believe the hon. member really wishes me to disclose recommendations made by one department to another.

Mr. D. V. Pugh (Okanagan Boundary): A supplementary question to the Minister of Finance. Some time ago I asked if he kept a breakdown of the returns to the government from the 11 per cent tax. I ask him again, does he keep such a breakdown?