

disabled veterans, the amount of the basic rate of the disability pension, and the need for some increase in the war veterans allowance, particularly for veterans who are below the age of 65.

Will the President of the Privy Council, with the weight and the clout of his position, get on the side of the Minister of Veterans Affairs in cabinet in an effort to get this legislation before the House very soon? Veterans just do not understand why they have to wait so long for this urgent legislation. I hope he is now in a position to tell us that it will be in the House in time for us to pass it before any summer recess.

Mr. Pinard: Madam Speaker, it all depends on when there will be a summer recess, if any. I agree with the hon. member that the subjects he just talked about are very important and are priorities on this side. I witnessed his questions to the hon. minister during the week, and I can assure him that those subject matters are under consideration.

As far as the legislation itself is concerned, surely the hon. member will know that there are many items on the order paper which must be dealt with before the summer recess. I hope we are in a position, with the collaboration and good will of both sides of the House, to get through the backlog and at the same time deal with the very important issues raised by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre.

Mr. Knowles: Madam Speaker, as a supplementary question, may I ask something of the minister. I do so because I would not want my suggestion that this should be done before the summer recess to end in nothing because there is no summer recess. We will work that out. I hope something can be done this month with a view to its being passed certainly before the end of July.

While the government is considering this matter, may I point out that certain legislation before the House last December had an effective date of April 1, 1980. I hope the government will consider making any legislation for veterans retroactive to that date.

Mr. Pinard: I will take the remarks of my hon. colleague under serious consideration.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

PETITION

LOCATION OF PARKS CANADA REGIONAL OFFICE

Madam Speaker: I have the honour to inform the House that the Clerk Assistant of the House has laid upon the table the sixth report of the Clerk of Petitions, stating that he has examined the petition presented by the hon. member for Peterborough (Mr. Domm) and finds that it meets the requirements of the Standing Orders as to form.

Order Paper Questions

[Translation]

TWO-PRICE WHEAT ACT

MEASURE TO AMEND

Hon. Yvon Pinard (for the Minister of Transport) moved that Bill S-6 (from the Senate), to amend the Two-Price Wheat Act, be read the first time.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

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INTERNATIONAL INCOME TAX CONVENTIONS ACT

MEASURE RESPECTING DOUBLE TAXATION

Hon. Yvon Pinard (for the Minister of State, Finance) moved that Bill S-2, to implement conventions between Canada and Spain, Canada and the Republic of Liberia, Canada and the Republic of Austria, Canada and Italy, Canada and the Republic of Korea, Canada and the Socialist Republic of Roumania and Canada and the Republic of Indonesia and agreements between Canada and Malaysia, Canada and Jamaica and Canada and Barbados and a convention between Canada and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for the avoidance of double taxation with respect to income tax, be read the first time.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. D. M. Collette (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 124, 217, 272, 361, 562, 677 and 867.

I ask, Madam Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

[Text]

NEW HORIZONS PROGRAM—LEEDS-GRENVILLE—AMOUNT OF GRANTS

Question No. 124—**Mr. Cossitt:**

Since its inception, what is a list of all grants made under the New Horizons Program to the former constituency of Leeds and the present constituency of Leeds-Grenville and what was the total of all money granted?

Hon. Monique Bégin (Minister of National Health and Welfare): List "A" lists all New Horizons Projects granted in the constituency of Leeds. List "B" lists all New Horizons Projects granted in the constituency of Leeds-Grenville and total of all money granted.