NATIONAL DEFENCE

REPORTED ESTABLISHMENT BY U.S. OF AERIAL TOWERS ACROSS CANADA

On the orders of the day:

Hon. Lionel Chevrier (Laurier): Mr. Speaker, may I direct a question to the Minister of National Defence. Is the minister aware of a news report last evening to the effect that a series of aerial radio towers are being established across Canada to be operated in part by the United States and in part, I believe, by Canada, following a lease of the ground rights for the construction of the towers from Canada to the United States? Is the minister able to enlighten the house on whether that report is accurate?

Hon. G. R. Pearkes (Minister of National Defence): No, Mr. Speaker, the report is not accurate.

AGRICULTURE

PRICE STABILIZATION—LIMITS ON QUANTITIES ON WHICH DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS TO BE MADE

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Hazen Argue (Assiniboia): I would like to direct a question to the Minister of Agriculture. Has the Minister of Agriculture yet had any advice from the Department of Justice as to whether an amendment or amendments to the Agricultural Stabilization Act are required in order to put certain limits on the quantity of goods which may be accepted on which deficiency payments may be made?

Hon. D. S. Harkness (Minister of Agriculture): No, Mr. Speaker.

OLD AGE SECURITY

REPORT OF DR. CLARK—REQUEST FOR STATEMENT AS TO GOVERNMENT POLICY

On the orders of the day:

Mr. W. H. McMillan (Welland): Mr. Speaker, I would like to direct a question to the Minister of National Health and Welfare. In view of the great urgency to have Dr. Clark's report made available, can the minister say if any action has been initiated on the basis of that report?

Hon. J. W. Monteith (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, Dr. Clark's report has been available for some weeks, and the department is now in the process of giving it very close study.

Hon. Paul Martin (Essex East): Is there had health insurance for the last 90 years. any possibility that the government will We all realize, further, that it took two bring forward legislation this session based on that report?

Hon. Paul Martin (Essex East): Is there had health insurance for the last 90 years. We all realize, further, that it took two elections within the short period of nine months in order to bring to a termination

Income Tax Act

Mr. Monteith (Perth): I do not anticipate any.

Mr. Martin (Essex East): Another promise not carried out.

CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

PROTESTS RESPECTING PROGRAM ON FRENCH NETWORK

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Louis Fortin (Montmagny-L'Islet): In the absence of the Minister of National Revenue I should like to direct a question to the acting minister.

On May 7 the hon. member for Berthier-Maskinonge-Delanaudiere asked the minister certain questions pertaining to a television program which appeared on the French network of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation on May 3. My question is, can the minister tell the house whether the inquiry promised by the president of the C.B.C., Mr. Ouimet, has been conducted, and if so, what disciplinary action if any has been taken against those who were responsible for the production of that program?

Hon. Donald M. Fleming (Minister of Finance): I shall be glad to bring this question to the attention of the Minister of National Revenue on his return.

INCOME TAX ACT

Hon. Donald M. Fleming (Minister of Finance) moved the third reading of Bill No. C-48, to amend the Income Tax Act.

Mr. M. W. Martin (Timmins): Mr. Speaker, members of the C.C.F. group are far from satisfied with this bill at the present time. We feel that it is bound to hamper the successful operation of the Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Services Act. We feel also that the minister has not given satisfactory answers to questions which were addressed to him at previous stages of the debate on this bill.

This is a matter which we consider to be of urgent importance. We all realize that for 40 years there has been procrastination as far as health insurance in this country is concerned. We have had 40 years of Liberal and—yes—Tory promises on this subject. We all realize, also, that this is no new idea which has suddenly dawned upon the world. Germany, to give only one illustration, has had health insurance for the last 90 years. We all realize, further, that it took two elections within the short period of nine months in order to bring to a termination