

Mr. Speaker: I wonder if that question should be accepted. If the hon. member feels that it is of immediate urgency, I will gladly see to it that it is considered on the adjournment motion.

Mr. LeBlanc (Rimouski): Mr. Speaker, ten o'clock.

[English]

FINANCE

INQUIRY AS TO SALES OF CANADA SAVINGS BONDS

On the orders of the day:

Hon. D. S. Harkness (Calgary North): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Finance. In view of the serious decline in bond prices and thus the manifest impossibility of the government securing its borrowing needs from the market at bearable rates of interest, can the minister inform the house whether sales of this year's issue of Canada savings bonds are equal to those of last year?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, sales of Canada savings bonds are proceeding. I am not yet in a position to give the results, since there are several weeks to go before the campaign will be completed.

Mr. Harkness: As a supplementary question, is the minister in a position to say how much new money he expects or needs to raise from this year's sales of Canada savings bonds?

Mr. Sharp: As much as possible, Mr. Speaker.

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SASKATOON—INQUIRY AS TO STATION CONSTRUCTION

On the orders of the day:

Mr. L. M. Brand (Saskatoon): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Prime Minister. Another week has gone by and I wonder whether the Prime Minister has had time to prepare an answer to my question, will a C.B.C. station be built in Saskatoon? He promised to answer within a few days. Now a week has gone by, because I gave him a few days' grace.

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I wonder if my hon. friend would give me a few more days' grace. I

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hope to be in a position to answer this question next week.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

PRESENCE IN GALLERY OF VILLAGE COUNCIL OF TWEED, ONT.

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Lee Grills (Hastings South): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the right hon. Prime Minister. Something very unique took place in the village of Tweed, in my riding, this centennial year. An all-lady council has been elected there. I wondered whether the Prime Minister was aware of that, and is he aware that they are sitting directly behind him in the gallery today?

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear.

Right Hon. L. B. Pearson (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I am grateful to my hon. friend for making me aware of this important fact. If I had known they were sitting in the gallery behind me my back would have been turned to the hon. member long before now.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I suggest to the hon. member that this should have been raised as a question of privilege.

LABOUR CONDITIONS

PROPOSAL OF ALUMINUM COMPANY TO INCREASE CHARGES FOR BOARD

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Frank Howard (Skeena): Mr. Speaker, I wish to direct a question to the Minister of Finance. Has the minister made, in the context of his suggested wage and price guide lines, or will he make representations to the Aluminum Company of Canada asking that company not to proceed with its plan to increase board and lodging charges to certain of its employees at the Kemano power site?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, the hon. gentleman is putting words in my mouth. I have not spoken about wage and price guide lines, and I think it would be premature to think in these terms. However, I do hope that all concerned will be exercising restraint, and I hope we can have voluntary co-operation on this basis.

Mr. Howard: The minister has not answered my question. Will he make such representations as I have alluded to?