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he has had with his United States counterpart in an effort to have the term of 30 days notice to employees with 20 to 25 years service extended so that they might have some indication of the extent of his negotiations?

Mr. Sharp: As I indicated in my previous answer, our representations have not been very successful. We have been unable to change the practice of the United States government in this respect, notwithstanding the strongest possible representations on behalf of Canadians.

TRANSPORT**TRUCKING—EXAMINATION OF COMPANIES' RECORDS BY INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION**

Mr. Thomas S. Barnett (Comox-Alberni): Mr. Speaker, I should like to ask the Right Hon. Prime Minister the following question. On October 29 I asked him a question which arose from a report that officers of the United States Interstate Commerce Commission were entering Canada to examine the records of Canadian truckers. He said he would look into the matter. Has he any further information to give the House at the present time?

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): I did look into the question, Mr. Speaker, and discussed it with the Department of Transport. Perhaps officials of that department could give a more detailed answer. In summary, we understand there has been no such intervention or inspection in Canada by the ICC, but the responsible United States agency does have some arrangement whereby it inspects Canadian trucks in the same way that we have a similar arrangement with the United States which entitles us, as I understand it, to make certain inspections. This is a matter of convenience between the two governments, and the companies involved, so that instead of stopping the trucks at the border there is inspection inside the country. If the hon. member wishes further details he might ask the Minister of Transport when he is in the House.

ATOMIC ENERGY**BRUCE NUCLEAR GENERATING PLANT—EFFECT OF FEDERAL SAFETY REGULATIONS**

Mr. Randolph Harding (Kootenay West): Mr. Speaker, I have a question for the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources. Since, as a result of instructions of the federal Energy [Mr. Lundrigan.]

Control Board, Ontario Hydro has been forced to halt construction on its Bruce nuclear generating station and move it to a new site, was the federal Energy Control Board aware of the original building plans of Ontario Hydro for the Bruce nuclear generating station?

Mr. Speaker: I suggest this question should be placed on the order paper.

DRUGS**PLACING OF CATNIP ON RESTRICTED LIST**

Mr. W. B. Nesbitt (Oxford): Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of National Health and Welfare. In view of the reported prosecution in Port Arthur of a person for selling catnip to the R.C.M.P.—

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh.

Mr. Nesbitt: This is a serious question, Mr. Speaker. In view of this fact, has the minister put catnip on the restricted list? If not, will he consult with his colleague the Solicitor General concerning whether prosecutions of this nature are in order?

Hon. John C. Munro (Minister of National Health and Welfare): I will be pleased to consult with my colleague the Solicitor General on this question.

MARIJUANA—CONSIDERATION OF LEGALIZATION

Mr. Eldon M. Woolliams (Calgary North): Mr. Speaker, I have a supplementary question for the Minister of Justice. In view of the statement made by the Minister of National Health and Welfare to the effect that his department is considering legalizing marijuana, what has the Minister of Justice to say about this?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member for South Western Nova.

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Mr. Louis-Roland Comeau (South Western Nova): Mr. Speaker, may I ask the Prime Minister where applications—

Mr. Munro: Mr. Speaker, on a question of privilege—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I wonder whether the minister would allow the hon. member who started his question to continue, and then I will return to the minister's question of privilege.