Inquiries of the Ministry

the Canadian Coastguard College from its present location?

• (4:10 p.m.)

Mr. Jamieson: Mr. Speaker, I have answered this question in a variety of ways before but, to reassure the hon. member, there are no immediate plans for the removal of the college. What is under way is a thorough re-examination of the role of the college, the kind of classes it will teach, and so on, with the hope that we can integrate this training into the college in view of the fact that at the present time it is costing something like \$70,000 to graduate a cadet from the college.

Mr. Muir: One further supplementary—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. We reached the end of the question period a few minutes ago, but perhaps the Chair might recognize the hon. member for a last supplementary and try to see one or two hon. members who have been gallantly trying to get the floor for the last 40 minutes.

Mr. Muir: Through you, Mr. Speaker, may I ask the minister whether, in view of the fact that there is 25 per cent unemployment at the present time in the island of Cape Breton and we have the Minister of Regional Economic Expansion setting up Devco to try to create employment, the minister realizes—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Would the hon. member ask the question?

Mr. Muir: Does the minister realize that removing this college from Cape Breton Island will cause greater unemployment and create more economic difficulty—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I think that is argument or a submission for the consideration of the minister. The hon. member for Broadview.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

METRO DEVELOPMENT CENTRE, TORONTO—ALLEGED AGREEMENT TO DEMOLISH UNION STATION

Mr. John Gilbert (Broadview): My question is directed to the Minister of Transport. Has Canadian National Railways entered into an agreement with Metro Development Centre to sell Union Station in Toronto and, if so, does the federal government agree with the demolition of Union Station?

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I have some doubts whether this question is so urgent that it should not be placed on the order paper, but perhaps other questions of about the same degree of urgency have been asked, so the minister might be allowed to reply.

Hon. Donald C. Jamieson (Minister of Transport): Mr. Speaker, the hon. member I believe is aware that it is a consortium that is planning what is commonly referred to as Metro Centre. It has the full support of the government. We have given a good deal of assistance to the main parties concerned in order to get it going. One of the objectives is a new terminal, and I believe this involves the destruction of Union Station, but I would assume that the decision whether it is to be destroyed or not would be up to the municipal—

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Before we go on to orders of the day there might be time for a few quick supplementaries.

[Translation]

A while ago, the hon. member for Bellechasse wanted to ask a supplementary.

AGRICULTURE

DAIRYING—IMPORTATION OF BUTTER—REQUEST FOR MODIFICATION OF INDUSTRIAL MILK PRODUCERS QUOTAS

Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse): Mr. Speaker, I should like to put a supplementary question to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Agriculture.

If Canada were to import butter in the coming months, would the Minister of Agriculture or the Canadian Dairy Commission be prepared to recommend changes in the manufacturing milk quotas in order to remove the penalty imposed on producers at this time?

Mr. Marcel Lessard (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Speaker, this matter of the penalty with respect to quotas is under active consideration and if it becomes necessary to review it, it will be in due time and the minister will then be in a position to inform the House. But I must say to the hon. member that representatives of the agricultural industrial do not always necessarily agree on complete revisions—

[English]

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I suggest to hon. members that we have run out of time. Perhaps, as I said a moment ago, we might pursue these questions when we meet again tomorrow. Orders of the day.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

INCOME TAX ACT

The House resumed, from Monday, November 15, consideration in committee of Bill C-259, to amend the Income Tax Act and to make certain provisions and alterations in the statute law related to or consequential upon the amendments to that act—Mr. Benson—Mr. Honey in the chair.

On Clause 1—Section 38: Meaning of Capital Gain and allowable capital Loss.

The Chairman: When the committee rose last evening section 38 was under consideration and together with other sections in that grouping, according to the agreement reached by members of the committee. The hon. member for Edmonton West had the floor. The Chair had earlier taken under advisement the amendment moved by the hon. member for Edmonton West and the Chair is now prepared to make a ruling. I understand that the hon. member for Edmonton West would like to complete his remarks, so I recognize him now.

Mr. Lambert (Edmonton West): Mr. Chairman, I think I have about four or five minutes available to me at this

[Mr. Muir.]