

Security Probe At Universities Is Questioned

OTTAWA (CP) — Justice Minister Fleming did not reply when asked in the Commons to make a policy statement on RCMP security investigations at universities.

The question put by David Orlikow (NDP—Winnipeg North), was intercepted by Speaker Marcel Lambert, who

expressed doubt whether it was order, but said Mr. Fleming could reply if he wished.

The minister did not stir.

Mr. Orlikow mentioned newspaper reports that the RCMP has been carrying out such investigations on campuses.

Later, Douglas Fisher (NDP—Port Arthur) asked whether the fact that a number of universities are holding elections for model parliament leaves students open to RCMP investigation.

QUESTIONS WISDOM

Mr. Fleming replied that stu-

tom Berger (NDP—Vancouver-Burrard) pursued the subject, asking whether the RCMP has been interviewing students and faculty members with regard to political activities of other students.

Mr. Fleming said he has had no complaints about such a matter. The questions evidently stemmed from an editorial in a student publication.

Mr. Orlikow said he had taken a particular complaint to Mr. Fleming personally a day or so ago.

An editorial in the Variety, the University of Toronto undergraduate newspaper, said the

Safe-Driving Week's Future To Be Pondered

OTTAWA (CP)—The future of safe-driving week in Canada will be reviewed at a meeting here Jan. 16, Arch Bryce, executive director of the Canadian Highway Safety Council said Wednesday.

The annual review of whether to continue or discontinue the program will be undertaken by the general managers of the provincial safety councils and the executive of the Canadian council.

In this year's campaign during the week of Dec. 17, the Canadian Press reported 70 road fatalities compared with 49 last year.

Mr. Bryce said the council wants to wait until the fatality figures for all December have been compiled before judging on this year's experience, which

appeared to be an adverse performance.

He noted that 33 of 42 Canadian cities with a population of more than 40,000 had experienced a fatality-free week. The majority of accidents occurred in outlying areas where the safe-driving campaign possibly did not have as great an impact as in the cities.

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CANADIAN INVENTION

Listening to headphones which reproduce concert in stereophones are Robert W. Macaulay, Ontario minister

of economics and development, and Fran Lee, inventor of the Canadian show at Chicago.

Macaulay said this product showed Canadians as inventors as well as consumers. (AP Wirephoto)

House Briefs

OTTAWA (CP) — A recommendation calling for more French-Canadian civil servants in higher levels of government administration will be considered by a committee of cabinet ministers, Prime Minister Diefenbaker said in the Commons Wednesday.

He was asked by Gilles Grogan (SC—Lapointe) whether the report submitted by F. Eugene Therrien, a member of the Glassco royal commission on government organization, would be acted upon.

Mr. Therrien said in a personal statement issued with the Glassco report that bilingualism now is not treated as an efficient instrument of government administration, that more French-Canadian public servants should be in the higher level of government, and that present policies regarding bilingualism are wasting money and energy.

There still is no reply from Quebec and Newfoundland to a federal request from the provinces' views on amending the British North America Act to permit a federal contributory pension plan.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker gave the information in a Commons reply. All other provinces have agreed to the idea.

Prime Minister Diefenbaker said the government will wait for further developments in efforts to settle the future of Katanga before deciding whether economic sanctions should be imposed.

He said, however, that the government generally supports the moves being promoted by United Nations Secretary-General U Thant for the settlement, including writing a new federal constitution for the Congo, granting amnesty to prisoners, and unifying the military forces.

The annual payment for persons acting as postmasters in the four Atlantic provinces ranges from \$245 to \$250. Postmaster-General Falgout reported.

The information was in a written reply tabled in the Commons for James R. Tucker (L—Trinity-Conception).

The Board of Broadcast Governors expects to announce its decision on the licensing of a second French-language television station in Quebec City early in the new year, the government said.

A written reply to Gerard Perron (SC—Beauce) said the announcement will be made following the BRC's series of public hearings opening in Ottawa Jan. 15.

Nfld. Cod Catch Down

OTTAWA (CP) — Newfoundland fishermen caught fewer cod last year because of competition from foreign trawlers and the movements of tiny fish called capelin, the Fisheries Research Board says in its annual report, tabled in the Commons.

The inland trap fishery decreased mainly because capelin, the fish on which cod feeds, had not remained long in inshore waters. Hence the cod did not remain either, the report said.

Normally this movement to deeper water by the cod would have led to increased catches for longline fishermen.

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Harmful Effects Of Forest Spray Can Be Reduced

OTTAWA (CP)—The harmful effects of forest spraying on freshwater fish can be reduced to less than one per cent of the current level with the use of a new insecticide, the Fisheries Research Board has reported.

In its annual report tabled in the Commons, the board said experiments carried out last year in eight British Columbia salmon rivers showed that use of phosphamidon in place of DDT resulted in reduced harm to coho salmon.

The report said DDT insect spray used on New Brunswick forests over the last few years continues to have a serious effect on the salmon industry in that province. While salmon catches in other areas increased during the year, the New Brunswick catch had dropped. The

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