

2. Has the Federal Government collected any information as to plans or programmes designed to curtail loss of life from automobile or highway traffic accidents?

3. Has the Federal Government taken any steps to distribute such information or has it taken any such steps to assist in curtailing loss of life?

On motion of Mr. Racine, seconded by Mr. Rouleau, it was ordered,—That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General praying that he will cause to be laid before this House a copy of all correspondence exchanged between the town of Beauceville, and any person or persons, and the Federal Government, concerning the flooding of the Chaudiere River, last December. (\**Notice of Motion No. 10*).

Mr. Chevrier, seconded by Mr. Pearson, moved,—That an Order of the House do issue for a copy of the study or survey made by the Department of Public Works or any official thereof, of facilities required at ports and harbours along the Great Lakes St. Lawrence route, arising out of the construction of the St. Lawrence Seaway and the opening of this route to 27-foot navigation in 1959, and more particularly of improvements to harbour and river works at such ports. (\**Notice of Motion No. 12*).

And the question being put on the said motion, it was negatived.

The House resumed debate on the proposed motion of Mr. Diefenbaker, seconded by Mr. Smith (Hastings-Frontenac),—That it is expedient that the Houses of Parliament do approve an exchange of notes constituting an agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the United States of America concerning the organization and operation of the North American Air Defence Command (NORAD) signed at Washington May 12, 1958, and that this House do approve the same.

And the debate continuing;

Mr. Howard, seconded by Mr. Martin (Timmins), moved in amendment thereto,—That the motion be amended by adding thereto the following words:

“And in the opinion of this House consideration of the interests of collective security and the principles of the United Nations make it advisable for the government to give consideration to the taking of such steps as are necessary to integrate these agreements within the structure of NATO.”

And the debate continuing;

#### RULING BY MR. SPEAKER

MR. SPEAKER: May I take this opportunity to deal with the amendment which was moved by the honourable Member for Skeena (Mr. Howard) and seconded by the honourable Member for Timmins (Mr. Martin) while the Acting Speaker (Mr. Rea) was in the chair. The Acting Speaker expressed the view that the amendment was probably irrelevant but reserved decision. I concur in the view he tentatively expressed as to the irrelevance of the proposed amendment which I think is apparent from a consideration of the motion itself which calls for two things; first, that it is expedient that the Houses of Parliament do approve the agreement and, second, that the House do approve the agreement. That is all that the motion puts forward. In effect,