

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, October 14, 1971

The House met at 2 p.m.

THE ROYAL ASSENT

Mr. Speaker: I have the honour to inform the House that I have received the following communication:

Government House,
Ottawa

14 October 1971

Sir,

I have the honour to inform you that the Honourable D. C. Abbott, P.C., Puisne Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada, in his capacity as Deputy Governor General, will proceed to the Senate Chamber today, the 14th day of October, at 5.45 p.m. for the purpose of giving Royal Assent to certain Bills.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
Louis Fremont Trudeau
Brigadier General
Assistant Secretary to the Governor General.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[Translation]

TRADE

TABLING OF COMMERCIAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN
CANADA AND HUNGARY

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, under Standing Order 41(2), I would like to table in both official languages the text of a trade agreement concluded between Canada and the People's Republic of Hungary as well as related correspondence.

* * *

[English]

CONSUMER AFFAIRS

TABLING OF PRESS RELEASE, "ADVERTISING CODE FOR
CHILDREN", AND ATTACHED BROADCAST CODE

Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to table two copies each in both the official languages of a press release entitled "Advertising Code for Children" and the attached broadcast code for advertising for children.

HAULAGE OF LOOSE MATERIALS SAFETY BILL

PROVISIONS RESPECTING CARRIAGE OF LOADS ON
PUBLIC HIGHWAYS

Mr. John L. Skoberg (Moose Jaw) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-270, respecting the safe haulage of loose materials.

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Skoberg: Mr. Speaker, I realize that this is a very innocuous bill at a time when Canadians are faced with many great problems. However, it is of great concern to many people and has been for many years.

The purpose of this bill is to prevent damage to motor vehicles, to property adjacent to the highway, and to the roadway itself, which can be occasioned by trucks carrying such loose materials as sand, gravel, rock, stone, etc. The bill would require such loads to be adequately covered. The bill deals with federal works and undertakings only as motor vehicles would normally come under provincial jurisdiction. Safe haulage of loose material is a concern of all motorists, pedestrians, horsemen, bicyclists, and even politicians as I am sure this bill applies to them.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

* * *

• (2:10 p.m.)

THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

PROVISION OF EMERGENCY DEBATE

On the order: Government Notices of Motions.

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order concerning a procedure that might normally be taken at this point. The House leaders met this morning and in the course of their discussion it became evident that there would be a general desire in the House to have an adjournment debate this evening. I understand that at least two of the opposition parties have filed motions with Your Honour for an adjournment debate this evening. We on this side would be agreeable to have such an adjournment debate under the normal rules on a motion that would be moved by the Minister of Finance (Mr. Benson), "That this House do now adjourn for the purpose of discussing the economy." I am sure that motion would be broad enough to cover all of the elements that might be contained in the opposition motions. However, I understand that hon. gentlemen opposite might like to indicate to the House the less neutral content of their motions.

Mr. G. W. Baldwin (Peace River): Just briefly, Mr. Speaker, we accept this suggestion, the government