

will join me in saying that both he and I give a good example to Canadians because we travel in Canada. I had the pleasure of seeing—

**Some Hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**Mr. McDermid:** I knew you could not keep a straight face.

**Mr. Trudeau:**—the Hon. Member at Mont Tremblant last weekend, and he was travelling on good Canadian gasoline for which he had paid, no doubt, a larger amount than would be necessary and possible if only the Provinces, which take by far the largest amount of taxation, would begin by reducing some of the provincial taxes. After that we might consider what role we could play here.

#### REQUEST THAT PRIME MINISTER TAKE ACTION

**Hon. George Hees (Northumberland):** Mr. Speaker, the federal Government owes the country an example in this regard, and tourism is a primary responsibility of this Government. Tourism is suffering a deficit of over \$2 billion a year and countless jobs could be provided if that deficit did not exist. I ask the Prime Minister if he would not now, as a way of winding down, give serious consideration to domestic issues such as this one, which are of tremendous importance to the average Canadian man and woman, and to the jobs additional tourism, if it were made available and possible by a lower gasoline price, would provide to Canadians?

**Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister):** Mr. Speaker, I indicated my sympathy and understanding for the question, but it seems to me the Hon. Member has spoiled it by two false premises in his second question. The Hon. Member says it is primarily federal responsibility. Would he indicate in his supplementary question what section of the Constitution says that? The Hon. Member is quite mistaken in projecting his own future dispositions to mine when he says that I am winding down. He may be winding down. I do not plan to wind down.

● (1500)

**Mr. Hees:** I would like to assure the Prime Minister that I will not be winding down for many years to come.

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#### PENITENTIARIES

##### CONJUGAL VISITING UNITS—USE BY COMMON LAW WIVES

**Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Solicitor General of Canada. The conjugal units placed at federal institutions were originally intended for visits by wives of long term prisoners. Has this program now been extended to common law wives?

**Hon. Bob Kaplan (Solicitor General of Canada):** Mr. Speaker, from its original concept the program was meant to

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include visits by people in relationships which the Hon. Member describes as common law. That is not a change. That has been a permanent feature of the program.

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

### POINT OF ORDER

MR. WADDELL—CDIC BILL

**Mr. Ian Waddell (Vancouver-Kingsway):** Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order pertaining to a question to the President of the Privy Council and Government House Leader on government business. The issue of the CDIC Bill was brought up in Question Period. Is the Minister prepared to tell the House whether he is going to bring that Bill forward?

**Mr. Speaker:** This is not the time for that matter. Normally questions regarding government business are placed on Thursdays.

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### LOUIS DAVID RIEL ACT

MEASURE TO GRANT A PARDON

**Mr. Speaker:** It is my understanding the Hon. Member for Edmonton East (Mr. Yurko) wishes to move his Bill. The Chair would like to make some observations. Before putting the motion of the Hon. Member for leave to introduce a Bill intitled an Act to Grant a Pardon to Louis Riel, the Chair ought to bring to the attention of the Hon. Member that, although this Bill can be introduced and read for the first time, debate on second reading stage should not be entered upon until Royal consent is obtained, because the granting of a pardon is the prerogative of the Crown. I am quoting from May's Twentieth Edition and would like to insert the following passage into *Hansard* at this point. It reads:

—if the matters affecting the royal interests form the main or a very important part of a bill, it would be courting waste of time if the permission of the Crown to proceed with the Bill were not ascertained at the outset. In such cases, accordingly, the communication from the Queen is signified at the earliest stage of debate—usually the second reading.

**Mr. Bill Yurko (Edmonton East)** moved for leave to introduce Bill C-228, An Act to grant a pardon to Louis David Riel.

**Mr. Speaker:** Is it the pleasure of the House that the Hon. Member shall have leave to introduce the Bill?

**Some Hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some Hon. Members:** No.