Criminal Code

Saturday and refused bail until Monday, on the ground that the R.C.M.P. and the magistrate there held that it was illegal to grant bail on Sunday. Those particular farmers were charged with an offence and found guilty by the magistrate. When the case was taken to the district court to be tried de novo they were acquitted.

There was some ambiguity as to whether bail could be granted in Canada on Sunday. The court of appeal of Nova Scotia has held that since you can arrest a person on Sunday you can lay a charge on Sunday, you can grant a warrant for an arrest on Sunday, and of course the party arrested could be granted bail

I want once again to thank the minister for bringing in this amendment because now it is certain; we are sure that bail can be granted on Sunday in Canada to those people who may be arrested on Saturday, so they will not be held over until the next Monday.

Clause agreed to.

Clauses 5 to 10, inclusive, agreed to.

On clause 11-Obscene.

Mr. Chevrier: One o'clock.

Progress reported.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Chevrier: Mr. Speaker, may I inquire from the acting leader of the house what the business will be for Thursday, Friday and Saturday. I wonder whether he can indicate what it will be on Monday as well?

Mr. Fulton: I am afraid I am not in a position to do that. My understanding is that the business for Thursday will be estimates, as the house leader indicated.

Mr. Chevrier: Defence and defence production?

Mr. Fulton: I believe that is correct. That still stands, and if there is any change I will see that the hon. gentleman is notified immediately. I am not aware of any change having been made. If, for instance, we are to take legislation tomorrow instead of estimates I will notify my hon. friend and the C.C.F. party at once. I do not think there is any change in that indication.

Mr. Chevrier: The minister cannot give any indication of the business for Monday?

Mr. Fulion: I am sorry, no.

At one o'clock the house adjourned, without question put.