

*Business of the House*

I have one final point which should be of particular interest to the maritime members present. In eastern Canada we have a similar problem. This summer I was happy to have been a visitor to the eastern provinces. One thing that struck me was the lack of fast road access to the maritimes. We have the state of Maine jutting up into the provinces of Quebec and New Brunswick. If a corridor were built across this part of Maine I am convinced it would do more for the maritimes than all the money the Atlantic Development Board has been spilling around.

I should like to suggest the suggestion of the hon. member for Red Deer in respect of an Alaska highway authority be broadened, so that the authority would become a corridor authority in which money supplied by the United States government for a corridor through the state of Maine would be met by equivalent Canadian funds spent on paving the Alaska highway in the Yukon to the Yukon frontier.

**Mr. Thompson (Red Deer):** Mr. Speaker, would the hon. member permit a question? In view of the fact that he apparently is in agreement with the principle of this bill, as are all the other parties in the house who have spoken on this matter, does he think it would be a very good idea now to let this bill pass second reading so that the committee could really study the suggestion he has made, as well as the question of the Yukon highway?

**Mr. Watson:** I would propose that the federal government immediately convene a conference of the governments of the states of Maine and Alaska, the maritime provinces, Quebec, Alberta, British Columbia and the Yukon Territory as well as the Atlantic Development Board, as well as the federal governments of Canada and the United States to deal with both projects simultaneously.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. It being six o'clock I must advise the hon. member that the period for private members business has expired.

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**Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale):** Mr. Speaker, as I announced earlier today the business for Tuesday will be, one would hope, the completion of the committee stage of the farm improvement loans bill, followed by second reading of the Farm Credit Corporation amendment bill, then the committee stage of that bill carried through to conclusion, and later on that day I will be ready to announce the business for the remainder of the day.

● (6:00 p.m.)

**Mr. Bell:** Mr. Speaker, may I ask the minister whether the ministers' attendance roster will be the same for next week?

**Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale):** Perhaps I should indicate to the hon. member that we are taking advantage of the very helpful comments made by hon. members opposite and will be glad to make one or two revisions to that roster.

**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Will the ministers who are supposed to be here on Monday be here?

**Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale):** The hon. member will know by the rules that no ministers are supposed to be here next Monday.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Richard):** This house stands adjourned until two thirty o'clock, Tuesday, October 15, pursuant to standing order No. 2(4).

At six o'clock the house adjourned without question put, pursuant to standing order.

[The following items were passed in Committee of Supply this day:]

GOVERNOR GENERAL AND LIEUTENANT-GOVERNORS  
1, 5.

PRIVY COUNCIL  
1, 5, 10, 15, 17, 20, 25.