QUEBEC CIVIL CODE

MARRIAGE LAW EXEMPTION—RICHARD FRITZ AND MARIANNE STRASS

Mr. Hugh Poulin (Ottawa Centre): Mr. Speaker, if the House gives its consent, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Vaudreuil (Mr. Herbert):

That the provisions of Standing Order 103(1) concerning notice of sitting of a committee to consider a private bill, namely, C-1001, an act to provide an exception from the general law relating to marriage in the case of Richard Fritz and Marianne Strass, be suspended.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. This motion may only be proposed with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the terms of the motion proposed by the hon. member for Ottawa Centre (Mr. Poulin). Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

OUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. Jack Cullen (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Finance): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 1,679, 2,109, 2,305, 2,365, 2,547, 2,583, 2,808 and 2,831

Mr. Speaker, if questions Nos. 702, 2,118 and 2,483 could be made orders for return, these returns would be tabled immediately.

I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

[Text]

ADVERTISING IN UNITED STATES NEWS AND WORLD REPORT

Question No. 1,679-Mr. Herbert:

- 1. To the knowledge of the government, did the January 27 edition of U.S. News and World Report, as distributed for sale in Canada, contain $24\frac{1}{2}$ pages of advertising?
- 2. Were fourteen of these pages advertising products which are sold in Canada by Canadian companies?
- 3. Is such advertising an influence on the Canadian consumer?
- 4. Is such advertising detrimental to the Canadian magazine industry and, if so, what measures are contemplated so that it will be curtailed?

Hon. James Hugh Faulkner (Secretary of State): The series of questions posed relate to matters not officially connected with either the Government or Parliament, (Beauchesne 171(dd)).

Order Paper Questions RADIO AND TV FARM PROGRAMMES

Question No. 2,109-Mr. Mazankowski:

- 1. For each year 1950, 1960 to 1974, how much time did CBC give, by radio and by television nationally, to farm news?
 - 2. How much time did regional stations devote to such news?
- 3. Has there been a drop in farm relating programmes and, if so, for what reason?
- 4. Are farm programmes the same in the Maritimes as in Western Canada and, if not, for what reason?
- 5. Does the government believe that farmers in one region should have the opportunity to know farm facts and problems of another region?

Hon. James Hugh Faulkner (Secretary of State): In reply to Parts 1, 2, 3 and 4, I am informed by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation as follows: 1. English Television: From 1954 to 1970 a weekly half-hour program called "Country Calendar" was produced and telecast by each of the following regions: Vancouver to the Pacific network; Winnipeg to the three Prairie provinces; Toronto to Ontario and English-speaking Quebec; Halifax to the Maritimes and Newfoundland. Several times a year, regional programmes were shortened to include inserts of national and current agricultural news and reports on government and national agricultural meetings. Four to six times a year, regional programs were pre-empted for a full half-hour production on an agricultural subject of national importance and interest. In January 1971, the regional "Country Calendar" was replaced with a new national program, "Country Canada", telecast weekly. "This Land", which started as "This Land of Ours" in 1965, is a national program dealing with agriculture, forestry, fisheries, wildlife and conservation. A major three-part documentary called "Elements of Survival" was telecast during 1974. French Television: From 1955 to 1972, a weekly thirty-minute programme "Les Travaux et les Jours" was telecast on the network. Since September 1972, an hour-long programme called "La Semaine verte" has been carried weekly. English Radio: From 1939 to 1968 a daily half-hour farm broadcast was produced in Toronto, Halifax, Winnipeg, Regina and Edmonton. Windsor and Calgary began the same pattern in 1961, and Newfoundland broadcasts for fishermen began in the early 1950s. In 1968 this was extended to one hour. In 1971 it was extended to two hours to permit further use of syndicated farm material and provincial issues. "National Farm Radio Forum" was discontinued in the mid-1950s. Half-hour farm broadcast on Saturdays was discontinued in 1968, when the daily hour-long programme was scheduled. French Radio: 1950 to 1971 a 25-minute daily programme called "Le Réveil rural" was broadcast. From 1971 to the present, "D'un soleil à l'autre" has been carried on the network for 20 minutes each day. For the past several months, there has been an agricultural insert in the daily programme "Michel Desrochers".

2. English Television: Regional news reports of three to five minutes or, if more newsworthy, a national insert of 15 minutes, were included in local "Country Calendar" programmes. In "Country Canada", reports on meetings in the agriculture industry, plus agricultural news, are frequently included. In addition, the following regional programmes have been presented: from Winnipeg since 1974, "Points West", half-hour on agricultural concerns, shown weekly through fall and winter; from Halifax since 1955,