HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, May 11, 1972

The House met at 2 p.m.

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PRESENCE IN SPEAKER'S GALLERY OF DELEGATION FROM YUGOSLAVIA

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Before we begin today's proceedings I should like to draw the attention of hon. members to the presence in the Speaker's gallery of a very distinguished delegation from Yugoslavia, led by His Excellency Mr. Mika Spiljak, President of the Chamber of Nationalities of the Yugoslav Federal Assembly.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

• (1410)

Mr. Specker: This Yugoslav parliamentary delegation is visiting Canada at this time as guests of the House of Commons. I know all members would want me to extend to them on behalf of the House a most cordial welcome to the parliament of Canada. It is our hope and trust that they will find their visit in our country enjoyable, rewarding and fruitful. We welcome them to our country.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

PRESENCE IN GALLERY OF TEAMS PARTICIPATING IN MEMORIAL CUP HOCKEY FINALS

Mr. Steven E. Paproski (Edmonton Centre): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct the attention of the House to the presence in the gallery of three great hockey teams participating in the Memorial Cup 1972 playoffs in Ottawa, the Cornwall Royals, the Peterborough Petes and the western Canada ambassadors, the Edmonton Oil Kings.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member has a very valid question of privilege, particularly in so far as the Cornwall Royals are concerned.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

[Translation]

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Third report of Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs—Mr. Gervais.

[Editor's Note: For text of above reports, see today's Votes and Proceedings.]

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SOCIAL SECURITY

NEGOTIATIONS WITH QUEBEC—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43 I ask the unanimous consent of the House to propose the following motion: In view of the slowness of negotiations between the Quebec and Ottawa governments concerning social policies, and in view of the fact that an agreement between the two governments is urgently necessary in the present situation in Quebec, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Charlevoix (Mr. Asselin):

That this House forthright refer the whole matter to the Committee on Health, Welfare and Social Affairs and that special meetings be held in order to reach a solution agreeable to both governments.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion moved by the hon. member for Joliette. This motion, moved under the provisions of Standing Order 43, requires unanimous consent of the House.

Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: No.

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member will have noted that there is no unanimity. Therefore the motion cannot be put.

[English]

PENSION ACT, WAR VETERANS ALLOWANCE ACT AND OTHER ACTS

AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE FOR ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT OF PENSIONS AND ALLOWANCES

Hon. Arthur Laing (Minister of Veterans Affairs) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-208, to amend the Pension Act, the War Veterans Allowance Act, the Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act, the Children of War Dead (Education Assistance) Act and the Department of Veterans Affairs Act, to provide for the annual adjustment of pensions and allowances payable thereunder.

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