

Business of the House

recent talks with the United States with regard to the Canada-U.S. automobile agreement.

• (2:40 p.m.)

[English]

Mr. Speaker: Has the minister leave to table these documents?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

HOUSE OF COMMONS

INTRODUCTION OF ALL BILLS IN BILINGUAL FORM

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, Your Honour will recall that on Friday last the house agreed to an order for the purpose of having government bills printed in bilingual form. In order that the practice of printing may be uniform in the case of all bills before the house, I ask leave to have the following order made at this time:

That, until otherwise ordered, private and public bills introduced by members of this house shall be printed in a bilingual form.

Mr. Speaker: Has the minister leave to submit this motion to the house at this time?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: Is it the pleasure of the house to adopt the motion?

Motion agreed to.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

GOVERNMENT NOTICES OF MOTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED IN COMMITTEE AT NEXT SITTING

Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, in view of the fact that there are ten government notices of motion on the order paper today, may I be permitted to introduce a resolution to deal with all ten so they might be approved as a group?

Mr. Speaker: Is that agreeable?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale) moved:

That the house do go into committee of the whole at its next sitting to consider the several proposed resolutions which have been recommended to the house by His Excellency and which stand on today's order paper in the names of the Prime Minister, the Postmaster General, the Minister of Finance, the Minister of Agriculture, the Minister

[Mr. Pepin.]

of Trade and Commerce, the Minister of Justice, the Minister of Transport and the Minister of Veterans' Affairs respectively.

Motion agreed to.

EDUCATION

TORONTO—REFUSAL TO SHARE COST OF INSTRUCTION TO IMMIGRANT CHILDREN

On the orders of the day:

Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition): I should like to ask the Minister of Manpower and Immigration whether there is any change in the position of the government as announced by his predecessor in refusing to share in the cost of special English language instruction for immigrant children in the City of Toronto.

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): I should like to consider the decision taken by my predecessor. I shall be happy to give an answer at a later date.

Mr. Stanfield: Would the minister indicate when we might expect a decision on this matter?

Mr. MacEachen: Just as soon as I have had an opportunity to consider the question I shall bring an answer to the house.

INCOME TAX

REPORTED AVOIDANCE PLAN BY NEWFOUNDLAND COMPANY

On the orders of the day:

Mr. Max Saltzman (Waterloo): I should like to direct a question to the Minister of Finance and ask whether his attention has been drawn to charges made in the publication *Canadian Petroleum* to the effect that the Shaheen Natural Resources Company and Newfoundland Premier Joseph Smallwood have joined forces to avoid federal income tax.

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance): This particular question has arisen not only with respect to the company mentioned but with respect to several other companies as well, and we are presently examining the situation to determine whether they are taxable under present tax legislation, something which I am informed is not definite at this particular time.

Mr. Saltzman: As a supplementary question, can the minister inform the house when his investigations will be concluded? Can we have an answer to that question?