

*Routine Proceedings***COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE**

CANADIAN HERITAGE

Mr. Blaikie: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I seek unanimous consent of the House to speak on behalf of the NDP on this matter.

The Speaker: Is that agreed?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

Mr. Bill Blaikie (Winnipeg Transcona, NDP): Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to join with other colleagues in the House who spoke on behalf of their parties in congratulating the credit union movement and the co-op movement on the occasion of National Co-Operative Week and International Credit Union Day.

Needless to say, the New Democratic Party has political roots in the co-op movement, of which all members of the House will be aware. We are very pleased to be able to join in marking this week and this day.

It is important at a time when the language of competition is prevalent to remind ourselves that there is another way of looking at the world. It is a way of looking at the world that is rooted in a very Canadian way of doing things in the co-op movement.

Co-operation is also a good word. Whatever benefits may come from competition, and I would be the first to debate some of them, we ought to realize that co-operation is another way of doing things and one that has been represented very well in the country over the decades by the credit union movement and the co-op movement.

I call upon members of the House and the government to protect this tradition in everything they do. Various things are under attack from various places, whether it is the budget for co-op housing, the attack on the wheat board or various other things, all of which represent manifestations of this co-operative spirit in our political, social and economic history.

I am pleased to join with other colleagues on behalf of the NDP in marking this occasion. I hope we will keep in mind at all times the value of this tradition and the value of advancing it in every way we can.

The Speaker: I received a note during question period about a point of order to be raised by the hon. member for Elk Island. With your permission, I would like to finish the routine business and before we get into the orders of the day I will hear the hon. member's point of order immediately thereafter.

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INTERPARLIAMENTARY DELEGATIONS

Mr. Francis G. LeBlanc (Cape Breton Highlands—Canso, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 34(1) I have the honour to present to the House, in both official languages, the report of the Canada-Europe Parliamentary Association on the fourth annual meeting of the parliamentary assembly of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, OSCE, held in Ottawa from July 4 to July 8, 1995.

Mr. John Harvard (Winnipeg St. James, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present, in both official languages, the fifth report of the Standing Committee on Canadian Heritage in relation to its consideration of Bill C-93, an act to amend the Cultural Property Export and Import Act, the Income Tax Act and the Tax Court of Canada Act.

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[Translation]

PROCEDURE AND HOUSE AFFAIRS

Mr. Peter Milliken (Parliamentary Secretary to Leader of the Government in the House of Commons, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present the 91st report of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs regarding the list of members of the Joint Standing Committee of the Library of Parliament and associate members of standing committees. If the House gives its consent, I intend to move that the report be concurred in later today.

[English]

I also have the honour to present the 91st report of the Standing Committee on Procedure and House Affairs regarding the selection of votable items, in accordance with Standing Order 92.

This report is deemed adopted on presentation.

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BRITISH COLUMBIA TREATY COMMISSION ACT

Hon. Ron Irwin (Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, Lib.) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-107, an act respecting the establishment of the British Columbia Treaty Commission.

(Motions deemed adopted, bill read the first time and printed.)

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WITNESS PROTECTION ACT

Mr. Tom Wappel (Scarborough West, Lib.): Mr. Speaker, I seek the unanimous consent of the House to withdraw my private member's Bill C-206, an act to provide for the protection and relocation of witnesses.

The Speaker: Is it agreed?

Mr. Wappel: Mr. Speaker, I do so for the following brief reasons.

Members will recall that my private member's bill was debated and passed unanimously at second reading in the House of Commons and referred to the justice committee. Since that time my government has brought forward Bill C-78 on exactly the same subject.