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Business of the House

Nam as being unlikely to lead to peace in most useful to the thousands of visitors who that unfortunate land, has the Canadian government made known to the United States government its views on this important international question.

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Yes, Mr. Speaker.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Baldwin: Mr. Speaker, might I be permitted to revert to the usual custom of asking the government house leader about the business for the rest of this week and next week?

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): Mr. Speaker, today, as hon. members know, we are to continue with the second reading stage of item No. 8, Bill C-6 in respect of the Canadian Corporation for the 1967 World Exhibition, to be followed by item No. 11, Bill No. C-8 in respect of the children of war dead.

I should like to call the attention of the House to a change in the business announced last night. Item No. 19, in respect of Bill C-135 to amend the Students Loans Act, will not follow as the third item. Rather, we will proceed to item No. 4, Bill C-2 in respect of the Judges Act and item No. 23, Bill C-136 in respect of the Expropriation Act. It is hoped that by the time the House rises at three o'clock tomorrow afternoon, second reading of these four bills may be achieved.

On Monday next, the first item of business to be called will be No. 14, Bill C-11 in respect of the Railway Act, to be followed by item No. 6, Bill C-4 in respect of the Canada Corporations Act.

The House will not sit, as hon. members know, on Tuesday due to Remembrance Day but on Wednesday the business to be called will be item No. 19, Bill C-135 in respect of the Canada Students Loans Act; item No. 12, Bill C-9 in respect of the Small Businesses Loans Act and item No. 10, Bill C-7 in respect of the Canadian National Railways. If there are any changes in this order, every effort will be made to announce them in the House in advance.

Mr. Hales: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, I should like to express my appreciation, and add also the appreciation of every hon. member of the House, to you and your staff for the appearance for the first time of this very colourful new seating plan which has been distributed today. I am sure it will be [Mr. Broadbent.]

grace our galleries from time to time. We appreciate the explanation therein in respect of the reason members may or may not be at their desks from time to time. I am sure the House appreciates your efforts, Mr. Speaker.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear.

• (3:20 p.m.)

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

CANADIAN WORLD EXHIBITION CORPORATION

MEASURE WINDING UP EXPO

The house resumed, from Wednesday, November 5, consideration of the motion of Mr. Pepin that Bill C-6, to wind up the Canadian Corporation for the 1967 World Exhibition and to authorize the writing-off of certain costs and the deferral of certain payments connected therewith, be read the second time and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs.

[Translation]

Mr. J.-A. Mongrain (Trois-Rivières): Mr. Speaker, before coming to the heart of the matter, I should like to request your indulgence since, for a few seconds, I shall be in order only partly, I think; in this case, I base myself on a precedent created yesterday, for I heard some of my colleagues pay tribute to those who were at the origin of the Canadian Corporation for the World Exhibition. For instance, they referred to the honourable Mark Drouin, who has died since, and to the Commissioner, His Excellency Pierre Dupuy, who served with such distinction and who has also left us for a better world.

I feel I am complying with the wishes of every hon, member in paying tribute also to a great man, one who has contributed the most to the creation of Expo, that is Mr. Jean Drapeau, mayor of Montreal. I am doing it not only because I believe he deserves the gratefulness of all hon. members and of all Canadians but also the sympathy of the house and of every Canadian for the shocking, ungrateful and dirty way he has been treated since then by people throwing bombs at his house and his place of business.

Having said this, I now turn to Bill C-6 entitled: An Act to wind up the Canadian Corporation for the 1967 World Exhibition and to authorize the writing-off of certain costs and the deferral of certain payments