

*Patent Act—Trade Marks Act*

course to bring some results. But I think that much more significant results were expected. However, as the minister said, the second stage of the program is provided in the legislation now proposed.

I agree with the previous speaker that we have here a rather serious menace to the drug industry of this country. That is why we shall have, some day, to reconsider the solution advocated by the Ralliement Cr ditiste and create a real "just society" by giving the people the necessary buying power to get the commodities they need. Everybody agrees that the commodities with which the present bill is concerned are essential ones and that is why we take advantage of this debate to emphasize the importance of bringing about reforms enabling the citizens to enjoy the buying power necessary to get what they need.

Thus, it is not a matter of slowing the pace of production through laws which would make it impossible to produce at a reasonable price. If, however, we care to get at the bottom of the problems we shall have to give the consumer buying power, and this will automatically bring about progress in production industries.

The third stage of the comprehensive program had to do with the establishment of an information service for doctors. But there are precisely glaring cases of conspiracy between doctors and manufacturers. In fact, we often see, for instance, a pill which costs 5 cents and contains such and such quantity of such and such ingredients, while a similar pill containing exactly the same quantity of the same ingredients sells for 17 cents. If the doctor prescribes the 17 cent pill, the patient will purchase it. How is it that such things can take place? We should clarify that in our present administration. A drug should never be paid more than what it is worth. We should exert ourselves on finding out the true manufacturing cost of products; we would often find that the excessive price of drugs is not only due to the cost of labour, but often to a bad organization. Moreover, it is only a matter of fraud, and again it is the humble folk, those who pay and who do not have the necessary purchasing power, who are the victims.

[English]

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** Order, please. It being ten o'clock, in accordance with standing order 40, a motion to adjourn the house is deemed to have been put and seconded.

[Mr. Matte.]

**Mr. Baldwin:** On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, before Your Honour launches into the adjournment debate may I say that since the hon. member for Oxford (Mr. Nesbitt), as well as one or two hon. members of our group, wish to contribute to this debate our party would give favourable consideration to any proposal to extend the sitting for a reasonable period, if it were felt that this debate could be completed. In view of the importance of the bill and the desirability of completing the second reading and sending it to committee, I was wondering if the house would be favourably disposed to extending the time of sitting. I will not move any formal motion. Instead, I am indicating our party's view on the matter.

**Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale):** We would be agreeable to that, Mr. Speaker.

**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Speaker, I submit that too many wish to speak for us to finish this debate tonight.

#### BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

**Mr. Baldwin:** Could I ask the government house leader what the business will be tomorrow, since this bill will obviously not be completed tonight?

• (10:00 p.m.)

**Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale):** I would expect it might be completed tomorrow and we would call it as the first order of business. As the second order of business, we will call item No. 9, which is the bill to amend the Fisheries Improvement Loans Act. The third item of business would be No. 12 on the Order Paper, the bill to amend the Veterans Land Act; the fourth item No. 33, the bill to amend the Aeronautics Act, and the fifth item No. 41, the bill to amend the Navigable Waters Protection Act.

#### PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

A motion to adjourn the house under standing order No. 40 deemed to have been moved.

#### CORPORATIONS AND LABOUR UNIONS RETURNS ACT—FAILURE TO FILE RETURNS

**Mr. John L. Skoberg (Moose Jaw):** Mr. Speaker, the purpose of the Corporations and