

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, December 10, 1970

The House met at 2 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I have the honour to inform the House that a message has been received from the Senate informing this House that the Senate have passed Bill S-8, an Act to amend the Criminal Code, to which the concurrence of this House is desired.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

FINANCE

TAX CONCESSIONS TO "TIME" AND "READER'S DIGEST"—
REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville): Mr. Speaker, in light of recent disclosures I ask leave, pursuant to Standing Order 43, to move the following motion, seconded by the hon. member for Skeena (Mr. Howard):

That this House is of the opinion that the special tax concessions made available to *Time* magazine and *Reader's Digest* are not in the best interest of Canada and should forthwith be discontinued.

Mr. Speaker: Hon. members have heard the motion proposed by the hon. member for Yorkton-Melville. Under the terms of Standing Order 43 this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimity?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity, so the motion cannot be put at this time.

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CAPE BRETON DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

PETITION RESPECTING PENSION PLAN OR IMPROVED
EARLY RETIREMENT BENEFITS FOR FORMER
COAL MINERS

Mr. Donald MacInnis (Cape Breton-East Richmond): Mr. Speaker, I rise at this time to present to the House a petition, which is a privilege granted hon. members under Standing Order 67. I should like to file this petition to the House of Commons with the Clerk of the House.

MOTION TO ADJOURN UNDER S.O. 26

LABOUR CONDITIONS

INCREASED UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE

Mr. John Lundrigan (Gander-Twillingate): Mr. Speaker, I ask leave to move the adjournment of the House under Standing Order 26 to discuss a specific and important matter requiring urgent consideration, namely, the joint release this morning by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics and the Department of Manpower and Immigration on employment and unemployment in the Canadian labour force showing that the reduction in the employment of 14 to 24 years olds between October and November was higher than the average for this period in the last five years, representing an increase of 64,000 young people compared with a year earlier. The release also showed a rise in the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in this group from 10½ per cent to 11 per cent between June of this year and last month, with an increase of 43 per cent over the last full year and with particular effect on the Atlantic provinces.

I should like to move, seconded by the hon. member for Saint John-Lancaster (Mr. Bell), that the House adjourn to discuss this urgent matter.

Mr. Speaker: The hon. member for Gander-Twillingate has given the required notice of his intention to move the motion to which he has just alluded. As the House knows, similar motions have been proposed from time to time following the publication of DBS monthly reports. The rulings of the Chair have consistently indicated that Standing Order 26 is not applicable in such circumstances.

I should add that since the House still has before it consideration of the budget, including an amendment on the subject of unemployment, I must rule that it would not be in order to initiate a new discussion at this time under Standing Order 26.

• (2:10 p.m.)

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

LABOUR CONDITIONS

INCREASED UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE—
REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION

Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition): Mr. Speaker, I should like to direct a question to the Prime