

that I think might be of interest to the committee and to the minister. I have listened to the remarks of the hon. member for Burnaby-Coquitlam and the hon. member for Bonavista-Twillingate, and I think hon. members of all political parties in this house would like one of the members of the house to pay to the present Minister of Justice the tribute that he really, in the opinion of all members, deserves.

Mr. Peters: Let us remember Newfoundland; let us not be carried away.

Mr. Maloney: You stay back in Kirkland Lake. I know of no minister of justice who has made such an impact on his department in the history of this country. Never, under any of his predecessors, have reforms of such magnitude been undertaken, and he has brought to the department and to the whole correctional system in Canada a forward looking, up to date outlook which will in the near future have its effect in a reduction in the incidence of crime and in a general improvement of the whole correctional system.

I spoke in this house last August at a time when the minister's estimates were before the house, and on that occasion I had the temerity to advance for his consideration some four amendments, three to the Criminal Code and one to the Canada Evidence Act. As someone who feels the minister is deserving of the credit I have already given him, and as someone who realizes he cannot have everything he wants in this world, and certainly in this house, I was more than pleased to see that I got 25 per cent of what I requested on that occasion. The minister, in the amendments to the Criminal Code that are soon to be brought forward, has imported one which would direct that time served in custody pending the hearing of an appeal to a provincial appellate court should count on the sentence; that is a much needed reform. I commend the minister and the officials of his department for having taken this forward step to bring it about.

I wanted to say a word at this stage with regard to the matter of probation. It is my desire to express a point of view in this committee that the government should consider the possibility, the advisability and the practicability of intervening at the federal level in the probation field.

Business of the House

May I call it ten o'clock, Mr. Chairman?
Progress reported.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Pickersgill: I wonder if the leader of the house would advise us if there is any change in the program for tomorrow? Could he also give us an indication of the business for next week?

Mr. Green: Tomorrow, we shall commence with third reading of the act to amend the Unemployment Insurance Act; then take the estimates of the Department of Justice, followed by those of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Monday we shall commence with item No. 1 on today's order paper, an act to amend the Veterans Land Act, which has been to a committee; item No. 14, an act respecting the superannuation of members of the Canadian forces; then, No. 13, second reading of a bill in respect of Canadian national financing; then, item No. 15, second reading of the act to amend the Farm Improvement Loans Act; item No. 12, second reading of the bill respecting certain public service pensions; item No. 9, an act respecting the superannuation of members of the R.C.M.P.; item No. 3, an act respecting the Royal Canadian Mounted Police; item No. 10, an act to amend the Criminal Code, and item No. 11, an act to amend the Combines Investigation Act.

Then, we intend to follow with the items standing in the name of the Minister of Agriculture, starting with the Seeds Act which I think has come over from the Senate. Then, we shall take the crop insurance measure and the farm credit measure.

Mr. Pickersgill: Is it intended to proceed in that order throughout the week as long as legislation is carried on?

Mr. Green: That would be for Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. Pickersgill: Can the minister give any indication when the government intends to introduce legislation respecting the terms of union?

Mr. Green: The Minister of Finance says the answer is soon.

At ten o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.