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the medical one. Such efforts are inconsistent with a certain kind of eugenism by way of abortion—

Still, where are the real dregs of mankind to be found? I would like, at this point, to quote Georges Bastide: "It is impossible to dissociate the biological future of the human species from its moral progress; human beings without morals would mean pitiful biological waste soon to be swept away by nature.

I would like now to quote from a bulletin that was published in an Ontario city by the Emergency Organization for the defence of children to be born:

Dear member of Parliament,

Any loyal Canadian citizen cannot help but be frightened as he realizes that Canada is rushing full steam ahead into a population crisis, or rather a depopulation crisis. In some areas of Canada, the birth rate has decreased by more than 60 per cent due to oral contraceptives. This can be proved by the population figures in a single city of Ontario, namely Listowel, reported in the *Listowel Banner* of November 16, 1967:

## POPULATION FIGURES, LISTOWEL, ONTARIO

Year	Population	Births
1963	4,246	76

And I spare the house the rest of the table. 1967, 4,447, 27 (up to November)

Such a decline in the birth rate is noticeable throughout Canada. How then can we consider even possible to pass a bill which will legalize the murder of the small number of babies being conceived?

Let us hope that Canada will not make the same mistakes as other countries. Rumania, for instance, brought upon itself such an under population problem that a whole generation was lost. The situation has become so serious that this country, where once abortion could be procured on request has found it necessary to prohibit both abortions and contraceptives.

Once a law is passed, it is difficult to repeal it. You are asked to do your utmost to prevent its passage before it is too late.

This report is signed by the president, Mrs. Olive Héron.

Mr. Speaker, may I call it five o'clock?

**Mr. Speaker:** Order. Before proceeding with the consideration of private members' business, will the house allow me to revert to the amendment moved earlier today by the hon. member for Compton (Mr. Latulippe)?

The Deputy Speaker then deemed advisable to take it under consideration. Since then, we thought the matter over and I am now ready to give a ruling.

First of all, I must advise the hon. member that in order to be allowed on second reading, an amendment must not relate to particulars

[Mr. Godin.]

of the clause of the bill it seeks to amend or anticipate on those which might be moved in the standing committee that will consider the said bill.

As indicated in citation 382 of Beauchesne's Fourth Edition, a member may, at the second reading stage, move a declaratory resolution of some principle adverse to those of the bill. Such is not the case here.

Citation 381 of the same author reads as follows:

On the motion for the second reading, it is out of order to discuss the clauses of the Bill.

Similar restrictions can be found in citations 388 and 389 of the same volume.

Therefore, for the reasons I have given, with the co-operation of my colleagues, I regret to say that the amendment moved by the hon. member is out of order and unacceptable at this stage of debate on the bill.

## PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

### SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE DEBATED

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** It is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 40, to inform the house that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: The hon. member for Lotbinière (Mr. Fortin)—National Parks—Quebec—inquiry as to development; the hon. member for Surrey (Mr. Mather)—Post Office Department—effect of increased rates on trade papers publication; the hon. member for Broadview (Mr. Gilbert)—Housing—possibility of referring task force report to committee.

It being five o'clock the house will now proceed to the consideration of private members' business as listed on today's order paper, namely, public bills.

• (5:00 p.m.)

[English]

## PRIVATE BILLS

### CANADA TRUST COMPANY—REPORT STAGE

The house proceeded to the consideration of Bill S-6, respecting the Canada Trust Company, as reported (without amendment) from the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs.