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one sitting or in one day. It would therefore appear that it would not be possible to deal with the item on Tuesday, the last day on which we could deal with it in order to have it dealt with in the other place by Thursday.

Mr. Macdonnell: I am greatly disappointed to find that the minister has not as much control over the other place as I thought he had. But leaving that matter aside, I suppose it is possible that the committee could reverse the order of its procedure and deal with a capital item—no, this is not a capital item. I admit that the matter is difficult. It will have to be done quickly, but I am still going to indulge the hope that the minister can get us the two days. I still feel very unwilling to have the item passed now without the safeguard which the House of Commons, in its wisdom, has provided for many years.

Mr. Harris: Mr. Chairman, I did my best to get these estimates down at the earliest possible moment. Indeed, I think they are being considered by the house a little earlier than they have usually been considered in the past. I have been trying to get the committee set up. I am not complaining about anyone.

Mr. Macdonnell: It is the railway committee that is really concerned.

Mr. Harris: All right. We have had it on the order paper for over two weeks. I have been wanting to get it done. These things have crept up on us. I would just suggest that, because of my uncertainty that we can do anything about the other place, we might pass the item tonight with the assurance I have given, namely that first of all we are obliged to pay the deficit anyway, and that this would not preclude my hon. friend from making the most searching examination next week in the committee or from having, I think, two if not three other opportunities to discuss this matter during the session. There will be the usual refunding vote; there will be the usual item in the main estimates, and so on.

Mr. Macdonnell: It seemed to me that the minister, by something he said a moment ago, implied the possibility of this thing working through according to the usual schedule. If I understood him correctly, he said that if he were not able to get it through the committee we might be forced into such and such a position. Is it not possible that there can be unanimous consent on Monday, if he finds himself in a real jam, to put this item through then?

Mr. Harris: If that is understood I have no objection to letting this item stand until
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Monday anyway, in order to see what the situation is at that time, subject to the warning I have given.

Mr. Green: As a matter of fact, Mr. Chairman, there is also this item dealing with the seminary building. We are not prepared to let that item pass without further explanation.

Mr. Harris: You are going to get it.

Mr. Green: We cannot do that tonight.

Mr. Harris: Yes, we can. I am ready to deal with it.

Mr. Green: All the items cannot go through by ten o'clock. We are going to have a further look at it, so there is no question of everything else being passed.

Mr. Harris: I have the explanation on the seminary building now and was prepared to give it when we completed the other items. I hope my hon. friend would not expect not to dispose of these items tonight. We are near the end. We have taken longer on these estimates than has been taken on supplementaries at any time in my memory.

Mr. Knowles: Oh, no.

Mr. Harris: Excuse me; I will say in recent memory.

Mr. Knowles: The minister's memory is short.

Mr. Harris: My memory is fairly long. There are not many items left. We can dispose of them in a few minutes. I can dispose of the seminary building, I hope, as soon as we complete the others. I am quite prepared to let this one item stand in the hope that we can put it through Monday and perhaps find on Tuesday that we can deal with it in the other committee.

Mr. Green: I am afraid we cannot let that seminary building item go through tonight.

Mr. Harris: You can hear what I have to say about it.

Mr. Green: We should be glad to hear the explanation; but even then we want time to look into the matter.

An hon. Member: Ten o'clock.

The Chairman: Do I understand that resolution 614 is to stand?

Mr. Harris: Stand.

Item stands.

Civil aviation division—

616. Grants to organizations for the development of civil aviation, in the amounts detailed in the estimates—further amount required, \$60,000.

Mr. Dinsdale: Mr. Chairman, I believe the expenditure under this item is in the form