

Child Pornography

giving them false heroes, but showing them a future altogether different from reality. We do not show young people how to live. We do not take them through the normal steps of youth so they can become mature. They have been taught an idealized notion of love which has quite simply been reduced to sexual acts when love, Mr. Speaker, is quite simply the respect of the other person. They have shown obscene movies and literature—and I do say “obscene” and not only “sexual”. They are not being respected. So it is up to us the responsible people in society who have to pass legislation, build that society for the people of tomorrow, to orient them. I was asked earlier if I was in favour of censorship. Well, yes, I am for censorship because there must be limits in our society, because, as we can see, some want to copy a type of society. The hon. member for New Westminster (Mr. Leggatt) or the hon. member for Provencher said earlier that 85 per cent of hate or obscene literature comes from other countries. Do we want to build a country like France, Sweden or Norway or do we want to build our own country with our own young people? If we politicians do not respect them in the legislation we pass, I think we will have missed the boat. The only people responsible are not the young but we, politicians, who must ask ourselves the following question: Have we built for young people who still have as I say, a lot of ambition in life, we are still at the age when they are shown a bit of joy and hope in the future but what are we through our legislation or too much freedom going to do? I will now refer to Gustave Thibon who while taking a walk in Paris saw in the window of a bookstore the works of leftists among which one was entitled *Comment bâtir l'avenir* by the socialist party while another advocated freedom for women to dispose of her body and abortion on demand. And this is the inconsistency: on one hand they stated that we must build the future, on the other hand they maintained that a child must be killed before birth. Such is the policy of the party, I will not say of the NDP but of the socialist party or socialistic countries, that is to grant every freedom to the young people, to give much—

[English]

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner): Order, please. The hour provided for consideration of private members' bills has now expired. Perhaps the House will permit our going back to the committee of the whole before the Chair calls it six o'clock. Is that agreed?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Mr. Guay.]

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

[English]

INCOME TAX ACT

AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE FOR CHILD TAX CREDIT

The House resumed consideration in committee of the whole of Bill C-10, to amend the Income Tax Act to provide for a child tax credit and to amend the Family Allowances Act—Mr. Chrétien—Mr. Turner in the chair.

The Deputy Chairman: Order, please. It being six o'clock I do now leave the chair until 8 p.m.

At six o'clock the committee took recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The committee resumed at 8 p.m.

On clause 1—

Mr. Smith (Churchill): Mr. Chairman, I represent a constituency which is two-thirds the size of the province of Manitoba. Within that constituency are some 25,000 status Indians. A large majority of them, through no fault of their own and not by choice, are recipients of welfare on an annual basis. I have a number of questions. First, who is responsible for the payment of welfare to status Indians in Canada? I would like to establish that, please.

Mr. Martin: Mr. Chairman, I would like to consider that question a little more and get back to the hon. member later in the debate.

Mr. Smith (Churchill): Mr. Chairman, I find it rather odd that a simple question like that cannot be answered when we are debating a bill that will involve the status Indians of Canada probably more than anyone else.

Mr. Martin: Mr. Chairman, I do not particularly have any apology to make for not having an answer at this point as to who makes payments to status Indians, when we are dealing with a bill to amend the Income Tax Act. However, I am prepared to determine that information for the hon. member and get back to him in due course.

Mr. Smith (Churchill): Mr. Chairman, this answer has a direct bearing on my questioning. I would like an answer to this very simple question. Either the parliamentary secretary or the officials who are here should be able to give me that information. It is relevant to the information I need for the balance of my questioning. If he cannot answer it, I will attempt to go on. However, with his officials sitting there, I find it odd that he cannot answer a simple question like that.

I will ask another question to see if I can get an answer to it. In determining welfare payments to status Indians, is the