

ongoing program have not been spent yet. But if this were to happen before the end of the fiscal year, then both levels of government would have to make a decision. However, we must establish priorities and consider the positive effects of such a decision and money transfer from one project to another.

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[English]

NATIONAL PARKS

INQUIRY WHETHER MINISTER HAS RECOMMENDED SENIOR CITIZENS BE GRANTED FREE ADMISSION

Mr. Ken Hurlburt (Lethbridge): Mr. Speaker, since the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development has had to leave the chamber, I will direct my question to his parliamentary secretary. In answer to my question in the House yesterday requesting free admission for pensioners to all national parks, I received the same negative answer as I received in 1973 and 1975. Will the parliamentary secretary inform me whether or not the minister has recommended this proposal to cabinet?

Mrs. Iona Campagnolo (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development): No, Mr. Speaker.

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[Translation]

HEALTH

INQUIRY AS TO REGULATIONS CONTROLLING SALE AND IMPORTATION OF BLOOD

Hon. Marc Lalonde (Minister of National Health and Welfare): Mr. Speaker, I would like to elaborate on a reply that I previously gave the hon. member for Témiscamingue concerning the importation of blood products. I told him that we had no control over products purely and simply in transit through Canada, and this is true. As for importation of blood products for Canadian consumption, there are controls indeed. We are now considering the possibility of additional controls over blood products imported into Canada but destined to be processed and exported to foreign markets.

[English]

Mr. Coates: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a question of privilege. I shall try to restrain my anger to an extent—

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Coates: This is a matter which affects all members of the House and it is a very serious one. The Secretary of State reports to this House for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and he passes on to the Corporation the feelings of members of parliament with regard to matter affecting the Corporation. I realize he cannot tell the Corporation what to do and I appreciate the concern he showed when I asked my previous question in the House by coming over and discussing the matter with me; he indicated at the time that he wanted to see this matter worked out satisfactorily for our party, and I appreciate that very much, as do all hon. members in this party.

Business of the House

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Coates: A corporation which gets approximately one million dollars a day of taxpayers money should have some feeling for people in this country who do not have the benefit of television and so could not view programs even if they wished to do so. I might name but one example, Sable Island in Nova Scotia. But I am sure that people in such areas have the same right to hear the Progressive Conservative convention from beginning to end as anyone who is able to buy, and use, a television set in this country.

I believe the Corporation should give consideration to the many thousands, even millions, of people in this country who do not have access to television.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Coates: An officer of the Corporation phoned me and suggested to me that they were not broadcasting the whole of the convention because of traditional programming. This is the first time I have ever heard that the CBC is interested in tradition in this country, and that is certainly a step forward. I believe the Secretary of State should go back to the Corporation to ensure that the proceedings of the convention are broadcast from one o'clock onward, the same as television, so that radio listeners in this country can hear it all.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

WEEKLY STATEMENT

Mr. Baldwin: Mr. Speaker, I was so moved by the question of privilege raised by my hon. friend that I had almost forgotten my duty today. I should like to ask the government House leader what will be the business for next week. This week has already been disposed of.

Mr. Sharp: Today we shall be continuing the debate on third reading of Bill C-58. As the House knows, we shall not be sitting this evening or tomorrow consequent upon the order which was approved. I am hoping we can dispose of the third reading of Bill C-58 simply because I do not wish to bring another order before the House to make up for the time we are losing. In any event, if we were to conclude the debate on Bill C-58 today I would hope the votes could be deferred until next week, either Monday or Tuesday. I just say this in case it might encourage hon. members to conclude the debate on this item.

After Bill C-58 is disposed of we shall return to the discussion of Bill C-68. On Tuesday we plan to give first reading to two bills to amend the criminal law, one dealing with capital punishment and the second with other crimes of violence, gun laws and so on. I should like to have the opportunity of discussing them with the House leaders to ascertain what length of time should be allowed to pass before we begin to debate these measures on second reading. I think a reasonable number of days should elapse so