the forces. Members of the Canadian armed services were present in a gallery of the house to hear the opening of the debate. I had the pleasure of asking a few of them if what was being said about poor morale was a fact. They went on to explain that first of all they thought the situation was due to the uncertainty of their positions plus the fact that certain statements had been made to them recently in regard to increases they were due to receive. I mention this point at this juncture because so far as the picture on the continent is concerned I understand that a change in store services on army bases to the type on R.C.A.F. bases would in fact give the members of army camps the equivalent of an increase in their present pay.

The Deputy Chairman: Order, please. It being six o'clock I do now leave the Chair.

PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE DEBATED UNDER ADJOURN-MENT MOTION

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. It is my duty, pursuant to provisional standing order 39A, to inform the house that the following questions will be discussed on the adjournment motion tonight: The hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles), Health and welfare-medicare-inquiry as to legislation; the hon. member for Berthier-Maskinongé-Delanaudière (Mr. Yanakis), Health and welfare-inquiry as to health warning on packages of cigarettes; the hon. member for Swift Current-Maple Creek, (Mr. McIntosh), Veterans affairs-method of dealing with inquiries by members.

• (6:00 p.m.)

It being six oc'lock the house will now proceed to the consideration of private members' business as listed on today's order paper, namely, notices of motions.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

REFERENCE OF SUBJECT MATTER OF BILLS NOS. C-16, C-19, C-41, C-44, C-55, C-58, AND C-79 TO STANDING COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND LEGAL AFFAIRS

Mr. D. S. Macdonald (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, before the house proceeds to consider notices of motions I should like to ask for unanimous consent to send a number of private members bills on the

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subject of divorce and on the subject of birth control to standing committees of the house. Perhaps I could ask for the consent of the house to make this motion now.

I should like to move:

That bills Nos. C-16, C-19, C-41, C-44, C-55, C-58 and C-79 be given second reading and sent to the Standing Committee of the House on Justice and Legal Affairs.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Hon. L. T. Pennell (Solicitor General): Mr. Speaker, I should like to move an amendment to the motion which has just been put forward. I move:

That the subject matter of bills Nos. C-16, C-19, C-41, C-44, C-55, C-58 and C-79 be referred to the standing committee on justice and legal affairs and that the bills be not read the second time.

Mr. Speaker: Is the minister moving an amendment or a separate motion? I understand this is a separate motion. Is that agreed?

Mr. Lewis: Would Your Honour inform us whether the motion moved by the hon. member for Rosedale was passed? I understand that a vote was taken and that it was passed.

Mr. Speaker: Let us say that the question was not put on the first motion. I must take it that the second motion was the one which would be deemed to have been presented to the house at this time. I would suggest to the parliamentary secretary that he withdraw the first motion. Is that agreeable?

Mr. Macdonald (Rosedale): I agree.
Motion (Mr. Macdonald, Rosedale) withdrawn.

Mr. Speaker: So the motion before the house is the one moved by the Solicitor General for the reference of the subject matter of these private bills to the committee on justice and legal affairs.

Motion (Mr. Pennell) agreed to.

An hon. Member: A fumble in the back-field

Mr. Prittie: I wonder whether the Solicitor General moved the reference of the subject matter of all the bills he had in mind. I believe the ones he moved were those dealing with divorce only.

Mr. Pennell: The hon, gentleman is quite right. I understand there has to be a motion by the sponsor moving the bill and it was my intention to move a second motion that the subject matter of certain bills be referred to