

*Gentilly Nuclear Power Station*

that at this time the minister is able to announce that this development is taking place in the province of Quebec. After listening to his comments about the problems which have been experienced may I say it is most commendable that they were able to surmount them. I hope that other developments will follow which will provide some means of utilizing the power to be generated at this plant.

Finally, I trust that the difficulties we have been experiencing in this country in the last few weeks will not blind the government to the necessity of providing other sources of jobs for the people of the province of Quebec particularly and in the country as a whole. The difficulties we will be facing this winter certainly justify the government turning its attention to the development of a program along the lines of some of the proposals made during the course of the debate yesterday.

**Mr. Rod Thomson (Battleford-Kindersley):** Mr. Speaker, I too should like to extend my congratulations and best wishes to Hydro-Quebec and Atomic Energy of Canada. I visited the Gentilly plant just a few weeks ago and was quite impressed with the possibilities of this new style, if you will, of producing atomic energy. The fact that we have been able to produce something different from what is being produced in any other country in the world points up more than ever the necessity for much more research if we would remain ahead in this field.

To be quite frank, if I were a customer for a heavy water or atomic energy plant I would be inclined to wait until this type of plant has been tried out because it has an advantage, as indicated by the minister, in terms of lower capital cost. It also saves a considerable amount in regard to heavy water and heat exchangers, and should also mean lower operating costs for heavy water atomic energy plants.

As indicated by others, this type of plant, particularly if sold in quantity to nations abroad, will provide jobs at a highly technical level for Canadians. I should like to suggest to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources and the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce that they get busy and go out and sell some of these plants.

[*Translation*]

**Mr. Gérard Laprise (Abitibi):** Mr. Speaker, I do feel the engineers and staff of Hydro-Quebec, and those of Atomic Energy of Canada Limited should be congratulated on their recent achievement in Gentilly.

Engineers and workers of Quebec have already demonstrated their skill in a very similar field, the construction of dams and electric plants in Manicouagan. The experience they have acquired in building an atomic plant in Gentilly justifies great expectations for the future of that industry in Quebec.

That is a striking example of cooperation between two levels of government and it is to be hoped that natural uranium will serve more and more for peace-time purposes and less and less for war-time industries.

Mr. Speaker, as the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources said, this is a new venture with regard to the

[Mr. Baldwin.]

generation of electric energy. We have every reason to believe it will be successful and will be repeated more and more often, since it will permit the development of this type of plant at a lower cost.

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**CRIMINAL CODE**

AMENDMENT RESPECTING DISCHARGE OF NOXIOUS  
MATTER INTO INTERPROVINCIAL OR INTER-  
NATIONAL WATERS

**Mr. David Anderson (Esquimalt-Saanich)** moved for leave to introduce Bill C-189, to amend the Criminal Code (Pollution).

**Some hon. Members:** Explain.

**Mr. Anderson:** Mr. Speaker, this proposed amendment to the Criminal Code is very simple. It would make it an offence to pollute an interprovincial or international stream or river and thus make pollution which does not affect fish preventable by the same type of penalties as are found under the Fisheries Act where fish are affected.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

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**ANTI-DUMPING ACT**

AMENDMENT RESPECTING TRIBUNAL, INQUIRIES,  
REPORTS, ETC.

**Hon. Donald S. Macdonald (for the Minister of Finance)** moved the first reading of Bill S-6 (from the Senate), to amend the Anti-dumping Act.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

**ORAL QUESTION PERIOD****THE CANADIAN ECONOMY**

CONSULTATIONS WITH PROVINCES ON METHODS OF  
STIMULATING EMPLOYMENT

**Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Leader of the Opposition):** Mr. Speaker, my question is for the Minister of Finance who is not present. I can only point out that neither the Prime Minister nor any minister responsible in the areas of principal concern today—the economy, unemployment, the War Measures Act and related questions—is present today. I want to make it very clear that I understand the absence of the Solicitor General, but in his absence perhaps the Minister of Justice might have been present. I assume there is some explanation for the absence of the Prime Minister as well as these other ministers, and I hope it will be given. However, so far as I am concerned I cannot proceed with any questions today.