

## Newfoundland

## ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[Translation]

## PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS

First Report of Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections—Mr. Laflamme.

[Editor's Note: For text of above report, see today's Votes and Proceedings.]

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[English]

## PUBLIC SERVICE

TABLING OF PART II OF REPORT BY JACOB FINKELMAN ON EMPLOYER-EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, I wish to table part II of the Jacob Finkelman report on employer-employee relations in the Public Service of Canada.

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## NEWFOUNDLAND

ABSENCE OF PRIME MINISTER FROM CELEBRATION OF TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF UNION WITH CANADA—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Walter C. Carter (St. John's West): Mr. Speaker, I rise to seek permission of the House to present a motion under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of considerable importance not only to the people of Newfoundland but to this country as a whole.

As the House is aware, on April 1 the province of Newfoundland celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its union with Canada. Notably absent from the ceremonies that were held in the province commemorating the occasion was the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau). I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's East (Mr. McGrath):

That the House regrets the fact that the Prime Minister of Canada did not see fit to attend the celebration and that his absence in no way represents the true feelings of this House or the government and people of this country toward the importance of the occasion and the great benefits that have accrued to Canada as a result of its confederation with Newfoundland.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimity.

[Mr. Matte.]

## PUBLIC SERVICE STAFF RELATIONS ACT

AMENDMENT TO WIDEN SCOPE OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Mr. Peter Reilly (Ottawa West) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-270, to amend the Public Service Staff Relations Act (arbitration awards).

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

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## INTEREST ACT

AMENDMENT TO FACILITATE REDEMPTION OF MORTGAGES BY MORTGAGORS

Mr. Mark Rose (Fraser Valley West) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-271, to amend the Interest Act.

Some hon. Members: Explain.

Mr. Rose: Mr. Speaker, the purpose of this bill is to enable a mortgagor to redeem the mortgage by paying the amount of principal and interest then due, plus three months further interest. In this way, unscrupulous mortgages will be deterred from introducing excessively severe penalty clauses in the small print of the contract.

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

## QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

[Text]

CANADIAN FORCES SUPERANNUATION ACCOUNT

Question No. 28—Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):

1. What was the total amount at credit in the Canadian Forces Superannuation Account as at (a) March 31, 1971 (b) March 31, 1972 (c) March 31, 1973?

2. What rate of interest has the government paid for the use of this money during the fiscal years ending on the dates noted above?

3. What amount of interest was credited to the Canadian Forces Superannuation Account during the fiscal years ending (a) March 31, 1971 (b) March 31, 1972 (c) March 31, 1973?

4. What was the total amount paid out of the Canadian Forces Superannuation Account during the fiscal years ending (a) March 31, 1971 (b) March 31, 1972 (c) March 31, 1973?

Hon. James Richardson (Minister of National Defence): 1, 3 and 4. This information is tabled in the House of Commons annually in accordance with Revised Statutes, and also appears annually in the Public Accounts.

2. (a) Rates of Interest for: 1973/71, Quarter ending June 30, 1970, 1.3174 per cent; Quarter ending September 30, 1970, 1.3262 per cent; Quarter ending December 31, 1970, 1.3427 per cent; Quarter ending March 31, 1971, 1.3597 per cent. (b) 1971/72, Quarter ending June 30, 1971, 1.3838 per