

was simply a rubber stamp. No information was given as to what we were giving Chile, for instance, or what we were getting from that country in return. It was the old order; the report came in, and there is nothing at all in Hansard in regard to the treaty.

I think some of these things can be remedied, and I hope they will be. I think the two leaders are going to work together, and I hope they will get results.

Hon. R. B. HORNER: Honourable senators, I wish to make a few remarks with regard to a work of necessity which I think this body might take up, though I should much prefer that someone who is better able than I to present the case should do so. The honourable senator from Vancouver has spoken, and properly so, about the planning that we might now do for the return of the thousands of young people who will come back into civil life after the war.

As the father of a family of both boys and girls who are eager to go into the army, I am very much alarmed at some of the things I have heard, which I hope are not entirely true—things that result from a lack of a proper sense of morality in teaching. I noticed in to-day's paper a resolution passed unanimously in the Quebec Legislature, urging the Government to be careful to see that nothing it does shall interfere with the permanency of the home as the greatest institution and the backbone of the nation. I entirely agree with that.

I do not know what steps the Government takes to see whether enough chaplains are appointed to the Forces, and whether there are sufficient gymnasia and other facilities for the athletic activities and the entertainment of our boys in uniform. From what I have noticed I am afraid that there is a great lack in these respects.

No doubt many honourable members have read an article in the May issue of Magazine Digest, dealing with certain causes of the downfall of France. It is entitled "Smut and the Fall of France," and is condensed from the Hibbert Journal, of London. With your permission I will quote one paragraph, but I commend the article as a whole to all who have not yet read it.

By the middle of the nineteenth century, the symptoms which in present-day France are revealing themselves as a devastating disease were already apparent to those who looked closely for them. Chiefly in the character of the popular plays and novels and in the press were the most noticeable signs to be found.

I do not know what censorship there is of the books in our public libraries and in

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our Parliamentary Library. I want to mention here one book whose circulation is, I think, a disgrace to any country. It is entitled, "For Whom the Bell Tolls". There was a time, years ago, when it would have been illegal to publish anything of the kind in this country. I am sure that nothing but demoralization could result from reading it. Surely there is a lack of proper censorship when a book like that can be distributed all over this country. I still believe in the good, old-fashioned methods and principles of raising a family and maintaining a home.

I should think there is a very good opportunity for the Senate to do valuable work in studying the needs of our armed forces for athletic and entertainment facilities. And I want here to urge upon the Government the importance of doing everything possible to see that these needs are adequately supplied.

## DIVORCE BILLS

### FIRST READINGS

Hon. Mr. ROBINSON, Chairman of the Committee on Divorce, presented the following Bills, which were severally read the first time:

Bill R2, an Act for the relief of William Milroy Davidson.

Bill S2, an Act for the relief of Audrey Meredith Mann Harrison.

Bill T2, an Act for the relief of François Henri Drack.

Bill U2, an Act for the relief of Gladys Irene Dale Weston.

Bill V2, an Act for the relief of Ruth Uiland Fishman.

Bill W2, an Act for the relief of Norma Brown Stevenson.

Bill X2, an Act for the relief of Mary Cummings Bullock.

Bill Y2, an Act for the relief of Elizabeth Gertrude DeSerres Gould.

Bill Z2, an Act for the relief of John Clifford Stanley Darbyson.

Bill A3, an Act for the relief of Celia Reynolds Schellenberg.

### SECOND READINGS

Hon. Mr. ROBINSON: Honourable members, owing to special circumstances, as it is expected the Senate will adjourn this afternoon for a considerable period, I would move, with consent, that these Bills be now read a second time.

Hon. Mr. SINCLAIR: Honourable senators, I gathered from the Divorce Committee's reports, as they were being read by the Clerk, that there was to be a refund of fees to the applicants in some of these cases. As the