

As one of the two remaining parliamentarians who had the rare and deep privilege of helping to rewrite our national anthem back in the mid-1960s, I take exception to the Reform Party of Canada's attempt to — just what it is, I am not sure. If they are attempting to bring into disrepute the flag of Canada and the parliamentary process, then I would be very upset.

Honourable senators, it will be obvious whether certain members of another party, who have every right to be in that other chamber, respect the singing of the national anthem. If they sit and do not participate, then I ask you to consider what that will do to our national anthem as a symbol of our lives in Canada.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

EMPLOYMENT EQUITY BILL

REPORT OF COMMITTEE PRESENTED AND PRINTED

Hon. M. Lorne Bonnell: Honourable senators, I have the honour to present the eleventh report of the Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology. This report concerns Bill C-64, respecting employment equity.

I ask that the report be printed in the *Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate* of this day.

The Hon. the Speaker pro tempore: Is it agreed, honourable senators?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

(For text of report, see today's Minutes of the Proceedings of the Senate.)

The Hon. the Speaker pro tempore: When shall this report be taken into consideration?

On motion of Senator Graham, report placed on the Orders of the Day for consideration at the next sitting of the Senate.

• (1400)

PRIVATE BILL

EVANGELICAL MISSIONARY CHURCH (CANADA WEST DISTRICT)
FIRST READING

Hon. Leonard J. Gustafson presented Bill S-12, to amalgamate the Alberta corporation known as the Missionary Church with the Canada corporation known as the Evangelical Missionary Church, Canada West District.

Bill read first time.

The Hon. the Speaker pro tempore: Honourable senators, when shall this bill be read the second time?

On motion of Senator Gustafson, bill placed on Orders of the Day for second reading on Wednesday, November 29, 1995.

BANKING, TRADE AND COMMERCE

NOTICE OF MOTION TO AUTHORIZE COMMITTEE
TO MEET DURING SITTING OF THE SENATE

Hon. Michael Kirby: Honourable senators, I give notice that on Thursday, November 23, 1995, I will move:

That the Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce have the power to sit at two o'clock in the afternoon, Thursday, November 30, 1995, even though the Senate may then be sitting, and that rule 95(4) be suspended in relation thereto.

STATE OF CANADIAN FINANCIAL SYSTEM—
NOTICE OF MOTION TO EXTEND DATE OF FINAL REPORT

Hon. Michael Kirby: Honourable senators, I give notice that on Thursday next, November 23, 1995, I will move:

That, notwithstanding the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Wednesday, November 30, 1994, the Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce be authorized to continue its examination into the present state of the financial system in Canada;

That, in conducting this study, the Committee pursue, in particular, its examination into Crown financial institutions, corporate governance, and the 1992 reform of financial institutions;

That, notwithstanding usual practices, if during the winter adjournment the Senate is not sitting when the Committee's report on its review of Crown financial institutions is completed, the report may be deposited with the Clerk of the Senate and it shall thereupon be deemed to have been presented to that Chamber; and

That the Committee present its final report no later than September 26, 1996.

GUN CONTROL LEGISLATION

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Hon. Eric Arthur Berntson (Deputy Leader of the Opposition): Honourable senators, I have in my hand a petition containing 4,370 signatures from rural municipality 92, Wawota, Saskatchewan. It states: