

Business of the House

● (6:10 p.m.)

HATE LITERATURE**ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER CRIMINAL CODE AMENDMENTS**

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works) moved:

That this house do unite with the Senate in the appointment of a special joint committee to study and report upon amendments to the Criminal Code relating to the dissemination of varieties of "hate propaganda" in Canada as set out in Bill S-49, intituled: "An Act to amend the Criminal Code";

That 12 members of the House of Commons, to be designated by this house at a later date, be members of the said committee; and that standing order 67(1) be suspended in relation thereto;

That the committee have the power to call for persons, papers and records, to examine witnesses, to report from time to time, and to print such papers and evidence from day to day as may be ordered by the committee; and

That a message be sent to the Senate informing that house that the House of Commons do unite with the Senate for the above purposes.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Rinfret): Is it the pleasure of the house to adopt the said motion?

Mr. Langlois (Mégantic): Mr. Speaker, I would ask the government house leader to withhold this motion for today.

Motion stands.

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Bell (Carleton): Mr. Speaker, it being six o'clock would the house leader indicate what the order of business will be for tomorrow and perhaps the balance of the week?

Mr. McIlraith: Yes, Mr. Speaker. Tomorrow we propose continuing with the measure before the house this afternoon, namely item No. 83 on today's order paper. Then we will deal with items 100, 133, 126, 127, 120, 116, 130 and 119. There may be some necessity to vary the sequence of calling the items, but if there is I will be in touch with the house leaders of the other parties before that necessity arises.

Mr. Langlois (Mégantic): Mr. Speaker, in view of the fact that item No. 130 will probably be dealt with fairly rapidly, will the government house leader consider bringing it forward for consideration immediately after we finish with the immigration bill?

Mr. McIlraith: I will consider that suggestion, Mr. Speaker. I would not want to give a firm answer at the moment, but we are very anxious to get this item through as soon as possible. I believe there will be very little debate on it, and it will be brought forward as soon as possible.

It being fifteen minutes after six o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.