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were too many people on earth. In Canada, as was mentioned by the hon. member for Hull, we do not have to worry about that, because there is room for millions of citizens.

• (6:50 p.m.)

I shall never be in favour of family planning, as family education is the thing. I still recall the words of a well-known Cardinal who said once: I am the thirteenth child in my family. He was not unwanted.

I knew an honourable senator who was the tenth child in his family, and also I knew the twelfth child, who became a member of parliament.

All this, Mr. Speaker, to say that there will never be too many intelligent people at the service of humanity.

The Supreme Being alone regulates everything in this world. We are but a drop of water in the ocean, we individuals. And that is why, as long as it will be possible to provide education for children, if a couple decides, to have so many children, they are free to do so. And since under the commitment made at the foot of the altar we accept responsibility for a family, we must show courage before that population explosion, that increase in population which is taking place today. We should ask instead for a system that would allow each and every citizen to have a home, a place to live decently.

I remember having read in history books that in our own province of Quebec had it not been for large families the French language would never have survived.

During the war of 1939-45 thousands of soldiers fought on the battlefields for that freedom which enables us today to speak freely still in this parliament. In the province of Quebec thousands of soldiers were not afraid—forced by conscription, I admit it—to go overseas to preserve that freedom.

How can we be sure that tomorrow we will not have to be even more numerous than we are now to fight back some invader who might want to drive us from that piece of land where it is good to live, where it is possible to get three meals a day. That is the problem. People are left in a state of misery they do not deserve, thousands of people who have not only life but intelligence.

All one has to do to find examples is to look around. Once it was thought that a way had finally been found to cope with the problem of the spruce budworm. Airplanes were used over the Gaspé peninsula to kill the

spruce budworm with the help of DDT. However, as a proof that natural forces remain at work, forever maintaining the needed balance, by destroying the spruce budworm—on which fed thousands of birds—people also destroyed the lake and river salmon. So, in the Gaspé peninsula and in thousands of other places where this insecticide was used, people are deprived of a product which could be sent to Biafra had it not been destroyed by human beings. This goes to prove that man sometimes is self-destructive. Therefore, such a notice of motion cannot and should at no time be accepted.

Let God alone have the right to decide, if we systematically violate the laws of nature, what will happen to-morrow. Who can tell us that to-morrow, 650 million communist Chinese will not invade our territory? What forces will we have to oppose them? One of my friends went to China to deliver three ships built in Lauzon—this same shipyard which has been in the news lately—purchased by the government of Chiang Kai-shek. When he arrived in the capital, in Shanghai, the Communists were about to assume power. Mao Tse-tung was coming with his armies to drive out Chiang Kai-shek. My friend was in a position to ascertain that in the democratic system which existed in China in the past, people had not worried about misery. The problem had not been settled, and Mao Tse-tung, through an evil instrument, through communism, enrolled all these people and found in the soil enough to give food to 650 million Chinese. And my friend said to me that if ever each of those Chinese was given a rifle, it would be the end of life on earth.

Today, fifteen years later, we are faced by the problem of 650 million Chinese who have been enrolled by the communist system which gives them a decent living, gives them rifles and sends them to conquer the world, and we are powerless before communism, because capitalism does not have the answers.

Only we, on this side of the house, have always had the courage to ask for a system which, while making financially feasible that which is physically possible, would allow every citizen to live happily, to be ready to stand up and demand justice if those 650 million Chinese tried tomorrow to invade our country. We should say: I am ready, I stand up and fight because life is good.

The capitalistic system is outmoded to-day and we do not have the courage to request the establishment of a monetary system

[Mr. Dumont.]