

Extended Sitings

tion side, so that we can deal with the legislation that will be proposed in the government's new program in an intelligent manner, for the benefit of all Canadians.

Hon. Robert L. Stanfield (Halifax): Mr. Speaker, I should like to speak very briefly and quietly, because my throat will not permit me to do otherwise this afternoon, even if I were so inclined. I must say that there are aspects of Bill C-87 that I cannot accept. I would not consider that I would be discharging my responsibilities to the part of the country I come from if I did not make a very determined effort to prevent it going through in its present form. What I am concerned about in the passage of a resolution such as this is that with the extra hours the government might very well steamroller—I am not concerned about a vote coming on Bill C-84, because I want to see a vote taken on it—

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Stanfield: —but I am concerned about the government using the extra hours to steamroller and beat down an opposition trying to fight for what it considers to be the necessary point and necessary principle in regard, specifically, to Bill C-87.

The hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre and the parliamentary secretary to the government House leader say these things are negotiable. If they are negotiable, let us have them negotiated. The government House leader will say now that Bill C-87 will not be pushed; that it will go into the fall, or something like that. As far as I am concerned, the more time people have to discuss Bill C-84, the better; but I would find it very difficult to put my colleagues in the position or to be associated with taking a position which would allow a government with a majority to steamroller something through which might have great tragic consequences to my part of the country.

I say to the government House leader, to the hon. member for Nipissing and to the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre: Do not ask me to vote for this and then negotiate. That is too late.

Mr. Sharp: Mr. Speaker, could I ask a question of the hon. member for Halifax? If an arrangement were made that Bill C-87 would not be proceeded with, would he and his party support this motion?

Mr. Stanfield: No, Mr. Speaker, I would be hedging. I can no longer speak for the party. Certainly, I would be prepared to vote for this motion, and I have pretty good reason to believe it would go through very quickly this afternoon.

Mr. Baker (Grenville-Carleton): I rise on a point of order, Mr. Speaker. The President of the Privy Council knows the discussion we have had with respect to Bill C-87 and our attitude to it. He knows, as well, that negotiations have been carried on by the hon. member for Edmonton West, on behalf of our party with the President of the Treasury Board and the Minister of Transport who were interested in the matter. He knows now that those negotiations did not bear fruit.

Since the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre decided to open up the House Leaders' meetings, I shall open

[Mr. Blais.]

them further. The hon. member will recall that I spoke to the minister at the last meeting and suggested that he consult again with his colleagues in respect of Bill C-87 as there would be some great difficulty in our dealing with the bill while clause 15 remained in it. The hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre may be interested in something else. I cannot answer as to that, but I am prepared to say that if the government House leader will consult his cabinet colleagues again—either the two I mentioned, or all of them—and deal with me or, better still, the hon. member for Edmonton West, with respect to our concerns, I think perhaps I could answer his question in the affirmative. That is an offer.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Before going on with the debate, there has been some suggestion which would at least give rise to the thought that further negotiations might take place before the vote on this motion comes about which would call for an adjournment of this debate, further negotiations, resumption of the debate and a vote on it. I do not know if there are others who wish to speak to the motion.

Mr. Sharp: Mr. Speaker, I do not know whether I should adjourn the debate. I am not sure what sort of problem that would create. In principle, however, I hope there can be a recess in the debate until nine o'clock tonight. I would be very happy to have some further discussion with my confreres, the other House leaders. As the hon. member said, we have had some discussion already, but it has never been clear. I think that in this way we might resolve the issue.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Is it agreed that this debate be now adjourned until nine o'clock this evening?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

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QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. J.-J. Blais (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 4,378, 4,532 to 4,536, inclusive; 4,893 to 4,895, inclusive; 5,151, 5,308, 5,341, 5,343, 5,391, 5,467, 5,482 and 5,496.

Mr. Speaker, the answer to question 5,308 is corrected.

[Text]

PSYCHOLOGISTS—OSBORNE CENTRE

Question No. 4,378—**Mr. Hnatyshyn:**

For the years 1970 to 1975, what was the number of (a) full-time (b) part-time psychologists at Osborne Centre and, in each case, what were their (i) educational qualifications (ii) previous work experiences in Canada (iii) individual salaries?

Mr. Hugh Poulin (Parliamentary Secretary to Solicitor General): Nil.