

Business of the House

Mr. Churchill: Mr. Speaker, before agreeing to the motion, why could not the government allot an extra hour next Friday? After all, you will recall that when we debated capital punishment we allowed two days, I think, for that subject. Why not allow an extra hour and let the government surrender an hour because of the importance of this matter, and make private members' hour last two hours next Friday?

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Speaker, I believe we should allow for more time on this bill because a number of us would like to speak on it but have not yet had the opportunity to do so. Therefore we would be in favour of what has been suggested by the Solicitor General (Mr. MacNaught), or we would consider some other alternative which would give us an opportunity for further debate.

Mr. Knowles: Mr. Speaker, why do we not do exactly what we did a week ago today? Let the bill retain its position on the order paper so that it will again be called a week today, the same as it was today.

Mr. MacNaught: Yes, that is practically the effect of my motion.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Batten): Is it agreed that Bill No. C-21 retain its position on the order paper?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Gelber: Mr. Speaker, may I call it six o'clock.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Batten): Order. The hour allotted to the consideration of private members' business has expired.

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Mr. Churchill: Mr. Speaker, I would just ask the house leader if the order of business as announced holds for Monday?

Mr. Favreau: Yes, Mr. Speaker; the order for Monday will be exactly as announced last night; that is, second reading and committee stage of the students loans bill, then second reading and committee stage of the fiscal arrangements measure, after which we would take in order third reading of each bill.

At six o'clock the house adjourned, without question put, pursuant to standing order.

[The following items were passed in committee of supply this day]:

POST OFFICE

1. Postal services including Canada's share of the upkeep of the international bureaux at Berne and Montevideo, \$208,861,000.

1a. Postal services, \$804,800.