

that the courtesy will be continued. Indeed, the insertion of the word "generally" leads me to believe that it is expected that on special occasions the courtesy will be withdrawn.

The Hon. the Speaker: I am sure honourable senators do not wish me to engage in what might appear to be a debate. At this point, I think it would perhaps be sufficient and appropriate for me to assure Honourable Senator Smith (Colchester) that those words were mine. The words "generally removed or curtailed" were my paraphrase; they were not Mr. Speaker Jerome's words.

Senator Smith (Colchester): I certainly appreciate that, and the furthest thing from my mind is to engage in an argument or debate with His Honour on this point. I was really urging His Honour to continue with the inquiries which he has so kindly and effectively made so far to ascertain whether, indeed, it is intended to withdraw this courtesy on special occasions, and whether, indeed, it is only when nothing much is happening that the courtesy is to be extended.

The Hon. the Speaker: Honourable senators, is it the wish of this chamber that I should follow the suggestion made?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

The Hon. the Speaker: I might add that Mr. Speaker Jerome actually suggested that this might follow the statement I have made.

Senator Bosa: Mr. Speaker, I wish to add one further aspect to what may appear to have been a temporary matter. There is a plaque on the door of what was formerly the Senate Gallery which reads "Prime Minister's Gallery". I do not know if that is temporary, but it certainly gives one a different impression. I would beg His Honour the Speaker to include this matter in his discussion with the Speaker of the other house.

DOCUMENTS TABLED

Senator Flynn tabled:

Report of the Atomic Energy Control Board of Canada for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1979, pursuant to section 20(1) of the Atomic Energy Control Act, Chapter A-19, R.S.C., 1970.

Report of the Privacy Commissioner under the Canadian Human Rights Act, for the year ended December 31, 1978, pursuant to section 60 of the said Act, Chapter 33, Statutes of Canada, 1976-77.

Report of the Tax Review Board for the year ended December 31, 1978, pursuant to section 17 of the Tax Review Board Act, Chapter 11, Statutes of Canada, 1970-71-72.

Capital Budget of the Northern Transportation Company Limited for the year ending December 31, 1979, pursuant to section 70(2) of the Financial Administration Act, Chapter F-10, R.S.C., 1970, together with copies of Order in Council P.C. 1979-1253, dated April 11, 1979, approving same.

[Senator Smith (Colchester).]

Capital Budget of VIA Rail Canada Inc., for the year ending December 31, 1979, pursuant to section 70(2) of the Financial Administration Act, Chapter F-10, R.S.C., 1970, together with copy of Order in Council P.C. 1979-1333, dated April 25, 1979, approving same.

Capital Budget of the National Harbours Board for the year ending December 31, 1979, pursuant to section 70(2) of the Financial Administration Act, Chapter F-10, R.S.C., 1970, together with copy of Order in Council P.C. 1979-785, dated March 15, 1979, approving same.

Capital Budget of The St. Lawrence Seaway Authority for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1980, pursuant to section 70(2) of the Financial Administration Act, Chapter F-10, R.S.C., 1970, together with copy of Order in Council P.C. 1979-784, dated March 15, 1979, approving same.

Capital Budget of The Jacques Cartier and Champlain Bridges Incorporated for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1980, pursuant to section 70(2) of the Financial Administration Act, Chapter F-10, R.S.C., 1970, together with copy of Order in Council P.C. 1979-783, dated March 15, 1979, approving same.

Capital Budgets of the Atlantic Pilotage Authority, the Great Lakes Pilotage Authority, Ltd., the Laurentian Pilotage Authority and the Pacific Pilotage Authority for the year ending December 31, 1979, pursuant to section 70(2) of the Financial Administration Act, Chapter F-10, R.S.C., 1970, together with copies of Order in Council P.C. 1979-1103, dated March 29, 1979, and Orders in Council P.C. 1979-1059, P.C. 1979-1060 and P.C. 1979-1061, dated March 28, 1979, approving same.

NATIONAL UNITY

UNITED CANADA MONTH IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Senator Austin: Honourable senators, with leave of the Senate, may I ask that a Proclamation of the Province of British Columbia be appended to the *Debates of the Senate* of today?

The Hon. the Speaker: Is leave granted?

Hon. Senators: Agreed.

Senator Austin: Very briefly, this Proclamation of the Province of British Columbia proclaims a United Canada Month which gives all British Columbians an opportunity to reflect on the benefits of nationhood and to commit themselves afresh to the cause of Canadian unity. It also provides an opportunity for the Government of British Columbia, on behalf of all British Columbians, to express, in a simple way, the desire of British Columbians to live with the people of Quebec within a united Canada.