

S.O. 43

respect to matters of state security, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Hamilton Mountain (Mr. Deans):

That the Leader of the Opposition make a public statement indicating whether he considers himself and other members of his party to be bound by the Privy Councillor's oath.

And, further, that the matter of statements made by the hon. member for Durham-Northumberland be referred to the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections to determine whether they were made in breach of his oath as a Privy Councillor.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE ENVIRONMENT

GARRISON DIVERSION PROJECT—STATEMENT BY PREMIER LYON OF MANITOBA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Robert Bockstael (St. Boniface): Madam Speaker, I rise on an important matter under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Whereas the Premier of Manitoba, the Hon. Sterling Lyon, in a recent radio interview reportedly declared that, pursuant to the negotiations carried out by the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) and President Reagan over the Garrison Diversion project, he wanted to express the highest regard for the action of the federal government in the handling of this international matter, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Gatineau (Mr. Cousineau):

That this House unanimously agree to echo the sentiments expressed by Premier Lyon.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

QUESTION OF NON-CONFIDENCE VOTE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Stan Darling (Parry Sound-Muskoka): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of some importance. A motion will be placed before the House later today dealing not directly with the issue of capital punishment, but rather with the right of Parliament to debate the issue. The motion will request that hon. members of the House approve presentation of the matter to the Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs for examination in depth and detail. This motion must not be considered as a vote on the reinstatement of capital punishment.

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Darling: Such a motion might be brought to the House at the conclusion of the deliberations of the committee. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Durham-Northumberland (Mr. Lawrence):

That this House affirms its belief that the motion to be put to the House at 9.45 p.m. this evening, pursuant to Standing Order 58, relates to the right of members of Parliament to discuss all issues of public importance and refer them to standing committees for investigation and report, and does not at this stage involve a decision on the question of capital punishment or of confidence in the government.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

PROGRAMS ON AGRICULTURE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Whereas the publicly funded body, the CBC, has a responsibility to incorporate the highest levels of journalistic integrity and unbiased reporting in its programming, and in view of the fact that the program "The Monopoly Game" aired last night on television completely failed to present a balanced and honest appraisal of the Canadian Wheat Board, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Humboldt-Lake Centre (Mr. Althouse):

That this House condemns the agriculture and resources section of CBC Television for its consistently biased and reactionary programs on agriculture; and, furthermore, that this House calls upon Al Johnson, the President of CBC, to dismiss the producer of "The Monopoly Game", Doug Lower, and others responsible for the program, and replace them with people who are prepared to present unbiased programming on agriculture.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

DEBATE ON NON-CONFIDENCE MOTION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Peter Lang (Kitchener): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Given that the Conservative party has put forward a motion on the important issue of capital punishment, and tied that motion to supply proceedings so that we have a non-confidence motion resulting in the farcical situation that even if the motion is passed the issue of capital punishment—

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!