

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Tuesday, November 3, 1981

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

AGRICULTURE

ASSISTANCE SOUGHT FOR CATTLE PRODUCERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, Canadian beef producers are in a real financial bind, mostly due to high interest rates. All the federal government has done to date is spend \$40,000 on a Senate report, plus a few more thousand dollars on another report which the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Whelan) has ordered. Both are directed toward forcing the cattle producers into marketing boards. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Medicine Hat (Mr. Hargrave):

That the federal government make use of the present stabilization program and assist the cattle producers to at least 90 per cent of the previous five-year average which the program guarantees, but more preferably to 100 per cent.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

CALL FOR REMOVAL OF FEDERAL SALES TAX FROM FARM FUEL—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Len Gustafson (Assiniboia): Madam Speaker, in view of the pressures on farmers relating to escalating production costs, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Red Deer (Mr. Towers):

That this House call on the government to remove all federal sales tax from farm fuel used in the production of food.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

THE MINISTRY

USE OF GOVERNMENT AIRCRAFT BY CABINET MINISTERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Towers (Red Deer): Madam Speaker, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Central Nova (Mr. MacKay), that this House of Commons endeavour to make known:

Cabinet members tell us they really care
As they flit about our nation travelling by air.
Formation flying becomes part of the test
As each high-flying minister wings his way west.
For—

Madam Speaker: Order, please.

Mr. Towers:

—13 Cabinet members all Alberta-bound
And there aren't enough JetStars to go 'round
To accommodate all the "Captains of the Clouds."

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Madam Speaker: Order, please. I must admit I enjoy the hon. member's verses but 43s are for serious motions.

Some hon. Members: It is serious.

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INDIAN AFFAIRS

EFFORTS BY INDIANS TO ACHIEVE ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Ray Skelly (Comox-Powell River): Madam Speaker, I hope this motion may obtain the full consent of the House, as I think we all agree with its purpose. Whereas the Sechelt Indian Band is one of the most progressive bands in British Columbia, if not of all Canada, and whereas the narrow and restrictive controls imposed by the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development have curtailed rational social and economic development of the Sechelt Indian Band, and whereas the government encouraged the band, who invested years of planning to develop guidelines for a separate act to cover the development of the Sechelt band, only to be turned down by the bureaucrats, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Skeena (Mr. Fulton):

That the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development commit himself to assisting Indian people to free themselves from dependence on government and to support their efforts to achieve economic independence and social fulfilment.