

Provincial Grain Payments

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. There is no point in our pursuing this matter much further. I told the hon. member I was in agreement with him. The explanations which were made were acceptable. It was only when the hon. member for Hamilton West sought to pursue the matter after having moved his motion that I thought this caution should be given. Motions.

Mr. Baldwin: Your Honour has not put the question.

Mr. Speaker: Has the hon. member for Hamilton West leave to proceed with the motion which has been presented to the House?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: I hear some yeas and some nays. The hon. member knows there must be unanimous agreement before the motion can be put, and there has not been unanimous agreement.

GRAIN**MEASURE TO AUTHORIZE PROVISIONAL PAYMENTS**

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (for Mr. Lang, Minister without Portfolio) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-157, to authorize provisional payments for the 1969-70 crop year in respect of unthreshed grain in the prairie provinces.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

NUCLEAR LIABILITY**MEASURE RESPECTING CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES CAUSED BY INCIDENTS**

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (for Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-158, respecting civil liability for nuclear damage.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

HOUSE OF COMMONS**DESIGNATION OF MR. SPEAKER AS MEMBER FOR PARLIAMENT HILL**

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-159, respecting the designation of the Speaker of the House of Commons as the [Mr. Douglas (Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands).]

member for the electoral district of Parliament Hill.

He said: Mr. Speaker, may I first thank the hon. member for Fundy-Royal for seconding my motion for the introduction of this bill. I also thank those members of other parties who have indicated their interest in it.

The purpose of this bill is to make it possible, when the House has a Speaker in whom we all have full confidence, as is the case at the present time, to take steps to provide for that occupant of the chair to continue therein from Parliament to Parliament. My bill preserves the principle that a Speaker, in the first instance, must have been elected in a constituency. It also preserves the principle that each new Parliament must elect its own Speaker. My bill provides, however, for the continuity we would all like to see. I hope hon. members will study its details and that the house leaders may be able to arrange a time when this matter can be discussed.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.

QUEBEC SAVINGS BANKS ACT**EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO OPEN BRANCHES**

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (for the Minister of Finance) moved the first reading of Bill S-2 (from the Senate), to amend the Quebec Savings Banks Act.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

CANADIAN AND BRITISH INSURANCE COMPANIES ACT**AMENDMENTS RESPECTING INCORPORATION, OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION**

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (for the Minister of Finance) moved the first reading of Bill S-6 (from the Senate), to amend the Canadian and British Insurance Companies Act and other statutory provisions related to the subject matter of certain of those amendments.

Motion agreed to and bill read the first time.

FOREIGN INSURANCE COMPANIES ACT**AMENDMENTS RESPECTING REGISTRATION, OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION**

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (for the Minister of Finance) moved the first reading of Bill