

*Provision of Moneys to CNR and Air Canada*

CNR did not do enough to entice travellers to use their trains and make that service profitable.

It seems obvious that the CNR wants to drop its passenger services at all costs.

Many employees in the passenger service are not afraid to say that the railway companies are intentionally discouraging the people from using those services.

Let us just have a look at our constituencies and we shall realize the absurdity of the situation. If the C.T.C. is doing elsewhere what it is doing in my constituency, I am unwilling to vote even a \$1 credit for the railways, for their officials are betraying their mission which is to provide the country with a modern transportation network that will answer the needs of the Canadians.

To conclude these harsh but sincere remarks, I would like to ask the officials of the Canadian National Railways to reconsider the situation they have brought upon the municipalities of Victoriaville, Dosquet, Princeville, Portierville, Deschailions and Villeroy, all of them located in the Lotbinière constituency. As a matter of fact, they dare not even ask the members of the House to give their views on the subject.

I am not willing to quarrel with the C.T.C. for it would be useless. But I do wish I had at least a chance of doing my duty as a member of parliament and of making representations before any decision is made. But then, the C.T.C. should at least advise us in time about its meetings and inquiries.

I will not enlarge further upon this but, in closing, I come back to the financing system of the Canadian National Railways. Such an example should be made known to all Canadians so as to show how ridiculous the whole thing is. While everything is being modernized in Canada, only one thing remains untouched and untouchable, only one thing has remained unchanged since 1867: the monetary system. The day we understand that we must modernize our monetary system, taking into account the respect due to private enterprise and individual freedom, our problems will be solved. For the public servants—particularly those working for the C.N.R.—that will serve as a stimulus to provide a more adequate service. Thus the money they will spend will be more profitable to all Canadians, who will then have to pay only once for their undertakings.

[Mr. Fortin.]

• (4:50 p.m.)

[English]

## PROCEEDINGS ON ADJOURNMENT MOTION

### SUBJECT MATTER OF QUESTIONS TO BE DEBATED

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Bécharde):** It is my duty, pursuant to Standing Order 40, to inform the House that the questions to be raised tonight at the time of adjournment are as follows: The hon. member for Vancouver East (Mr. Winch)—Harbours—Vancouver—reported leasing of piers to private operators; the hon. member for Halifax-East Hants (Mr. McCleave)—National Security—acceptance of possible committee recommendation for royal commission on subversion; the hon. member for Kootenay West (Mr. Harding)—Pesticides—DDT—plant for collection and disposal of surplus.

It being five o'clock the House will now proceed to the consideration of private members' business as listed on today's order paper, namely, Private Bills, Notices of Motion for Papers and Public Bills.

**Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** Mr. Speaker, I believe there will be general agreement to proceed with notice of motion No. 162 in the name of the hon. member for Yorkton-Melville (Mr. Nystrom) and to stand the first two items on the order paper.

**The Acting Speaker (Mr. Bécharde):** Is it agreed that we should proceed as explained by the hon. parliamentary secretary?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS FOR PAPERS

### EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

NIGERIA—REQUEST FOR COPY OF MESSAGE FROM PRIME MINISTER TO GENERAL GOWON

**Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton-Melville)** moved:

That an order of the House do issue for a copy of the message sent by the Prime Minister to General Gowon, as reported in *Hansard* on July 2, 1969, page 10751.

He said: Mr. Speaker, on November 19, of this year notice of motion No. 162 in my