

attempt to preserve the Wheat Board's responsibilities with respect to the block shipping system. However, the block shipping system is not mentioned in the Canadian Wheat Board Act.

Motion No. 40, put forward by the Hon. Member for Regina West (Mr. Benjamin) would have the effect of preventing the Governor in Council from determining what agency of the Government should have the power to allocate cars.

I should like to remind those Hon. Members who sat on the Transport Committee and the two movers of these motions that to Clause 19 we added subclause (3), which reads as follows:

The provisions of this Part respecting the duties and functions of the Administrator do not restrict the powers of the Canadian Wheat Board under the Canadian Wheat Board Act respecting the purchasing and selling of grain.

To an amendment proposed by the Opposition, the Government added a subamendment which resulted in subclause (3) of Clause 19. We feel that it is a great improvement to the Bill and pretty well covers the intent of Motion No. 39 and Motion No. 40. We therefore do not feel that those motions are necessary at this stage of the Bill and we will vote against them.

Subclause (3) of Clause 19 was drafted in parallel with subclause (2) of Clause 19, which reads as follows:

The provisions of this Part respecting the duties and functions of the Administrator do not restrict the powers of the Canadian Grain Commission under the Canada Grain Act respecting the handling of grain in elevators.

Those two subclauses clearly cover the intent of Motion No. 39 and Motion No. 40, and therefore I do not feel those motions are required at this stage. If they were accepted they might cause confusion and might be interpreted as restricting the power of the Governor in Council under another Act to give the new grain transportation Administrator the responsibility for car allocation. I know the Hon. Member for Vegreville (Mr. Mazankowski) would not want this as I believe he and his Party created the position of the Grain Transportation Agency Administrator.

For these reasons we will vote against Motion No. 39 and Motion No. 40, but I thank Hon. Members for bringing them forward.

This afternoon I have listened very intently and I think it has been a very productive afternoon. We disposed of four amendments with very brief debate. This is the kind of co-operation that we had in committee. There was a spirit of co-operation and bargaining in good faith. Because of that spirit, we accepted 89 amendments in committee, including that to Clause 19(3) which pretty well covers the intent of Motion No. 39 and Motion No. 40.

Sensing this spirit of co-operation, I would seek the unanimous consent of the House to sit extended hours in order to conclude debate of report stage of Bill C-155. We have had a very productive afternoon. This is the kind of productivity and co-operation that we saw in committee. If we could extend this kind of co-operation and debate in good spirit by extending the

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hours, I think we could get a lot accomplished. The constituents who elected all of us would be very proud of this attempt to increase productivity. At a time when we are asking Canadians, farmers and industry to increase productivity, I think this would be a sign that we too are tightening our belts and want to increase productivity.

In that spirit of good faith—

Mr. Nielsen: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): The Hon. Member for Yukon (Mr. Nielsen) on a point of order.

Mr. Nielsen: Mr. Speaker, as a point of order, I do not know whether the Hon. Member has been in consultation with the Government House Leader; I have. I am here now waiting for our critic on agriculture. He has consulted me regarding the provisions of the Standing Order which would impose limitations on debate. We are going to consider the request of the Government House Leader with respect to the limitations that he has proposed.

I can say to the Hon. Member that those considerations and those discussions under the Standing Order providing for limitation of debate would be shot down in flames if he were to make any motion now with respect to extending hours. I have given my undertaking to the Government House Leader, and I will call him back this afternoon as soon as I have had the opportunity to speak to our critic, the Hon. Member for Vegreville, to see if we can meet the suggestion made by the Government House Leader. It would be totally self-defeating if any motion to extend hours were to occur in the middle of those negotiations.

Mr. Axworthy: Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Flis: Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Evans: Mr. Speaker—

Mr. Hnatyshyn: Who is in charge over there?

Mr. Friesen: There are three of them.

Mr. Blaikie: Take one stooge at a time.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Blaker): I want to indicate that the House has a motion before it which is faulty in that I would require a seconder for it. In any event, the House has also heard a point of order from the Hon. Member for Yukon. I see that certain Hon. Members want to rise on the point of order and I think it is proper that I hear those Hon. Members. I will recognize next the Hon. Parliamentary Secretary to the President of the Privy Council (Mr. Evans).

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Mr. Nielsen: The Chair recognized me before the motion was moved.

Mr. Evans: I believe I have the floor, Mr. Speaker. The Hon. Member was not trying to move a motion under Stand-