

Routine Proceedings

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): Carried.

Motion agreed to.

Mr. Horner: Mr. Speaker, I rise on a point of order. I asked for consent. I did not ask for unanimous consent. Therefore, if there was a no, could we take that as permission on division?

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): The hon. member needs unanimous consent because it was only presented today.

Mr. Gauthier: Mr. Speaker, there are certain procedures at hand that the House knows very well. If somebody gives notice that he or she wants to move a motion later this day, meaning probably somewhere down the pipe, they can do that. At that time, we do not need unanimous consent because he or she gave notice.

In this case, I take it the member did not give notice because he could hardly have done so. He rendered the reports today. But his own side, his own Tories, refused him unanimous consent, not us.

Mr. Nunziata: Mr. Speaker, the hon. member from Mississauga sought the unanimous consent of the House for a motion for concurrence in a report from the justice committee, dealing with the Weir report and the escape of Daniel Gingras in Alberta.

You asked for unanimous consent, Sir, and let the record show that it was Conservative members of this House who denied the unanimous consent to deal with that important issue, an issue important to the residents of Alberta and, indeed, to all Canadians, and that was with respect to the massive failure of this government in the criminal justice system.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Paproski): Are there further motions? We will proceed to petitions.

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PETITIONS

ABITIBI-PRICE RESEARCH CENTRE IN JONQUIÈRE

Mr. Jean-Pierre Blackburn (Jonquière): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36, I rise to table before this House a petition signed by almost 18,000 people. It was

sponsored by the leaders of the union of professional and office employees of Abitibi-Price in Jonquière, which has Mr. Daniel Maltais for president. All these petitioners call upon the Parliament to ensure that the management of Abitibi-Price will maintain their research centre in Jonquière.

Mr. Speaker, I also join the chorus of the people of my riding and all the employees of Abitibi-Price to urge the company officials to suit the action to the overtures they made recently to the effect of carrying out in Jonquière high quality research to meet their needs.

[English]

CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Mr. Geoff Scott (Hamilton—Wentworth): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36, I have the honour to present a petition on behalf of some 8,000 citizens of Windsor and area. I believe that these 8,000 names will be part of 40,000 tabled today alone from the people of Windsor.

The petitioners ask that whereas the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation television station in Windsor is the only one located in the Windsor—Essex area, a region otherwise dominated by U.S. broadcast media and the station, therefore, provides a vital and irreplaceable service for the population of the area, the petitioners are urging this Parliament to request the CBC to do everything in its power to restore the television service to the Windsor area.

CANADA POST

Mr. Stan Darling (Parry Sound—Muskoka): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 36, I have the distinct honour of presenting a petition on behalf of over 700 constituents from my great riding in northern Ontario, Parry Sound—Muskoka, with respect to the forthcoming closure of the Emsdale post office.

In approaching Parliament directly, the petitioners are expressing a widely held belief that rural Canada is being discriminated against by Canada Post's policy of rural post office closures.

The petitioners are humbly asking the Government of Canada to stop the further penalization of rural Canada by directing Canada Post Corporation to end its policy of rural post office closures. Further, in the rural areas already affected by the Canada Post policy, the petitioners respectfully request the reinstatement of the same level and quality of postal service in their communities as