

changes which he would welcome to this bill when it is considered in committee. Some of us are quite prepared to reinstate, as you might say, the submissions that were made to us in the previous session with regard to how the bill should operate. Those submissions came from many organizations and individuals who expressed their point of view and their position with regard to the commodities they were producing.

I would also say that if it appears to the committee that there are reasons why one or other of those witnesses should be recalled, that should be done. If it appears that there are others who have something new to offer, who have new points of view to place before the committee, the committee ought to be willing to consider hearing them. We for our part will be placing considerable emphasis, when the bill is in committee, on the necessity of seeing that the producers are adequately represented in respect of a bill such as this which will become marketing legislation.

I believe one can scarcely justify giving powers as wide the very real protection of being in control of what the agency does and how it does it. I do not accept the philosophy that is becoming current, that farmers and those in the agribusiness, packers and consumers, are all as these to a marketing agency unless the producer has one big, happy family and that the farmer should be quite willing to sit down, pretty much like a sheep among the wolves, and be prepared to be a good fellow. The sad thing about the farmer and the producer is that he has been a good fellow for too long and now he is being plucked like a chicken.

**An hon. Member:** The vanishing American; that's what he is.

**Mr. Gleave:** The vanishing American is a good term for the farmer. You find this situation is the butter

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industry and the egg industry. The rapid transition of the industry has taken it out of the farmer's control. We are also very concerned about another aspect of the bill, that is, the method of setting up commodity marketing boards and the question of how effectively they will operate. One matter we ought to have concerned ourselves about in the bill, and on which we have not touched at all, is the question of a marketing agency such as this bargaining directly with the government for support prices or price maintenance. We have not dealt with the point at which the government comes in; we have left this to the Agricultural Stabilization Act.

**Mr. Speaker:** Order, please. I regret to interrupt the hon. member, that there does not seem to be disposition to continue any longer tonight.

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**Mr. McCleave:** Mr. Speaker, before the House is adjourned may I ask, on behalf of the opposition House Leader, what the business is for tomorrow and Wednesday? There was a hiatus in that regard in last Thursday's announcement.

**Mr. MacEachen:** Mr. Speaker, I gather that one or two more members wish to speak on the bill that we have been discussing. If that is the case, we would call it first tomorrow and then continue with the business I have already announced, which is the packaging and labelling bill. On Wednesday we would call the emergency powers bill.

At ten o'clock the House adjourned, without question put, pursuant to Standing Order.