

I give the Government the assurance that when it does it will pass this House to the benefit of thousands of western farmers.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I think the Hon. Leader of the Opposition is showing contempt for the House when he refers to the Order Paper as "goofing around with a piece of paper".

Mr. Mulroney: You goof around with it.

An Hon. Member: It is you goofing around with it.

Mr. Trudeau: It is not a piece of paper, Mr. Speaker. It is a serious program of action for the Government. Yes, I will give an undertaking to pass that Bill.

Mr. Mazankowski: Bring it in.

Mr. Trudeau: And he will give me an undertaking to pass—

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Mulroney: Just give your undertaking.

Mr. Trudeau:—relief for the taxpayer, Mr. Speaker, the budget Bills, the Bill of the Minister of National Health and Welfare on Medicare. Can he do that in five hours?

Mr. Nielsen: Bring it in.

Mr. McDermid: Bring it in.

Mr. Epp: Let us have it.

Mr. Trudeau: Will they give second reading and reference to the Standing Committee of Bill C-4? Will he give me that undertaking?

Mr. McDermid: Be careful.

Mr. Trudeau: Will he give me an undertaking to pass the Crown corporations legislation?

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Trudeau: He is laughing, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Epp: It has not had second reading.

An Hon. Member: He is a joker.

Mr. Trudeau: Who is the joker, Mr. Speaker? Sure, we have the partisan Tories—

An Hon. Member: Order.

Mr. Trudeau:—echoing their Leader about who is a joker. However, that Party has been ringing bells, the way it has, preventing Parliament from functioning—

Mr. McDermid: Who rang the bells two weeks ago?

Oral Questions

Mr. Trudeau:—keeping this legislation from proceeding. Our House Leader has been trying to make a deal with the Opposition House Leader in order to have orderly process in discharge of this legislation. The Leader of the Opposition has just discovered one constituency and he pleads for them. There are thousands and millions of Canadians in Canada who want this legislation.

An Hon. Member: And who are in trouble.

Mr. Trudeau: Why does his Party not help Parliament function?

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

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ANNOUNCEMENT IN SPEECH FROM THE THRONE

Mr. Brian Mulroney (Leader of the Opposition): It is typical of the Government that when the interests of western Canada are involved, it is always tied to something else. You can't get a straight answer from the Government.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Mulroney: No wonder you are all going down the shute, and no wonder western Canada won't trust them as far as they can throw them.

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Mulroney: My question is simple. Everyday we raise questions on behalf of groups of Canadians who have been trod upon by the Government.

There was an undertaking in the Throne Speech that amendments will be introduced to the Western Grain Stabilization Act to make it more responsive to the needs of producers. When will the Government bring that in? If it does bring it in, we will pass it in the interests of western farmers. Stop fooling around and bring it in now.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Right Hon. P. E. Trudeau (Prime Minister): Mr. Speaker, I gave a serious undertaking. I said that we would bring it in and pass it.

Mr. Mulroney: Bring it in now.

Mr. Trudeau: He has not given a like undertaking. He wants to pass one Bill because he just discovered the West.

Mr. Mazankowski: There are no conditions in the Speech from the Throne.

Mr. Trudeau: No, of course not, but there are many measures in the Speech from the Throne, and when you are the Government—you will never learn this because you will never be the Government—

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!