

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, April 27, 1978

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1407)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

LABOUR CONDITIONS

CALL FOR INCENTIVES TO CREATE JOBS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. George Hees (Prince Edward-Hastings): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to move a motion on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. As the rate of unemployment for men and women under 25 years of age is twice the rate of those 25 years and older, so that our young people are bearing twice the burden of the worst unemployment since the great depression of the 1930s, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Lanark-Renfrew-Carleton (Mr. Dick):

That the government announce a program of incentives which will make it possible for businessmen and farmers to employ our young people, and thus enable them to take their rightful place in the work force, instead of enduring the unemployment and disillusionment which the economic policies of the present federal government have forced upon them.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion for discussion would require the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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VETERANS AFFAIRS

REQUEST WAR DISABILITY PENSIONS BE RAISED TO LEVEL OF 1973 FORMULA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, there is a double sense of urgency about the matter which I wish to present to the House under Standing Order 43. First, since this House is still here it is urgent that we do something useful and important. Second, in view of the fact that an election might be called, it is urgent that we deal with this matter quickly. I believe the House would do so. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Timiskaming (Mr. Peters):

That this House calls on the Prime Minister to give approval to the immediate introduction by the Minister of Veterans Affairs of a bill to provide prorata

pensions for widows of veterans where the veteran's disability pension was below 48 per cent and to restore the basic rate of the war disability pension to the level calculated on the basis of the formula agreed to in 1973.

Mr. Speaker: In accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 43, such a motion can be presented for discussion only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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AGRICULTURE

UNRESTRICTED IMPORTATION OF CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL CHEMICALS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jack Murta (Lisgar): Mr. Speaker, I rise under Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity, that being the statement of the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Whelan) yesterday that he is perfectly willing to look at any evidence the hon. member, meaning myself, may have in relation to the question of agricultural chemicals.

Given this fact, and because the minister's letter to me dated April 13, 1978, admits that in the case of two chemicals quoted in his letter—those being Eptam and Eradicane—there is a substantial difference in price between Canadian and United States figures and the difference in price, using the minister's own calculations, is 65 per cent and 70 per cent respectively, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Provencher (Mr. Epp):

That the minister immediately issue special import permits to allow chemicals designated by the Department of Agriculture to enter Canada without restriction.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion for discussion, pursuant to Standing Order 43, would require the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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NORTHERN AFFAIRS

REQUEST FOR GOVERNMENT FUNDING OF NORTHERN FLOOD COMMITTEE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Cecil Smith (Churchill): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and