

Private Members' Business

I was asked by the hon. member for Portage—Interlake—known by his oat farmers as the hon. member from Porridge—Interlake—to draw to the attention of the House a story dated October 26, 1989 in the *Manitoba Co-operator*. This is directly germane to the discussion earlier by my colleague opposite, who suggested that there was nothing going on in the prairies to take advantage of the market for oats. Here is a story that tells us all about it. Let me quote:

Free trade and the removal of oats from the Canadian Wheat Board are responsible for an oat processing mill to be built near Portage la Prairie according to the company's president.

A \$17 million mill, when completed in 1991, will sell 70 per cent of its production to the U.S., said William Kent, president and chief executive officer of Can-Oat Milling Inc., a Manitoba-based company.

The Canada-U.S. free trade deal broadens the new company's ability to market its product, Kent said.

"We are looking at North America as a total market, not just Canada. Without free trade we would not have—

Madam Deputy Speaker: I must interrupt the hon. member. The time provided for consideration of Private Members' Business has now expired.

Pursuant to Standing Order 96(1) the order is dropped from the Order Paper.

[*Translation*]

Pursuant to Standing Order 28(1), the House stands adjourned until next Tuesday at 11 a.m, pursuant to Standing Order 24(1).

The House adjourned at 2.53 p.m.