

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, October 9, 1980

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

WOMEN

ASSURANCE OF PROTECTION OF RIGHTS IN PROPOSED CHARTER—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Walter McLean (Waterloo): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In light of the statement yesterday by the government's own Advisory Council on the Status of Women that the proposed human rights charter does not adequately protect women from discrimination, and in light of the apparent muzzling of discussion on the constitution and women by the government's refusal of funds for the National Action Committee's special October 18 meeting of leaders of women's groups scheduled for Winnipeg, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Vancouver Centre (Miss Carney):

That this House instructs the government to immediately assure all Canadian women that any proposed charter of rights will reflect recognition by the government of the need for protection of their rights.

Madam Speaker: This motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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PARLIAMENTARY RESTAURANT

SERVING OF WINES FROM B.C.—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Vince Dantzer (Okanagan North): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 regarding a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. Whereas there are 28 members of Parliament from the province of British Columbia in this House, whereas these members often welcome and entertain constituents on Parliament Hill, in view of the resolution now before this House which purports to guarantee that everyone has the right not to be subjected to any cruel and unusual treatment or punishment, and since the Parliamentary Restaurant does not offer wine produced in British Columbia, members from that province are subject to the cruel and unusual treatment or punishment of having to serve their

guests wine not produced in British Columbia, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Okanagan-Similkameen (Mr. King):

That this House strongly urge those responsible to put an end to this cruel and unusual treatment and allow superb British Columbia wines to be served under the auspices of the Parliamentary Restaurant.

Madam Speaker: I doubt that this is a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

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● (1410)

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

PROTECTION OF RIGHTS OF CANADIANS—STRENGTHENING OF PARLIAMENTARY SYSTEM—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Dan McKenzie (Winnipeg-Assiniboine): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Given the government's apparent obsession with the protection of human rights for Canadian citizens, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Saskatoon West (Mr. Hnatyshyn):

That the government cease the practice of illegally raising postal rates without reference to Parliament, that it stop governing by orders in council, and that it implement the recommendations of the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments tabled in July, 1980, which would protect the rights of Canadians and strengthen the parliamentary system.

Madam Speaker: The motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

CALL FOR PROGRAMS TO MEET THRONE SPEECH COMMITMENTS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Neil Young (Beaches): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the government's commitment in the Speech from the Throne to bring before Parliament a program of action designed to promote a national development policy, to provide jobs, stimulate growth and increase Canadian ownership and control of our economy, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Vancouver East (Mrs. Mitchell):

That this House calls on the government to immediately bring before Parliament the programs that it promised in the Speech from the Throne and that meaningful job-creation programs be implemented to alleviate the totally unacceptable levels of unemployment in our country.

Madam Speaker: This motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?