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#### Mr. Speaker: I therefore declare the amendment lost.

The question therefore is on the motion of Mr. Marchand for the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce (Mr. Chrétien) that Bill C-23, to facilitate conversion to the metric system of measurement, be now read the third time and do pass.

[The Acting Speaker (Mr. Turner).]

### BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Mr. Baker (Grenville-Carleton): Mr. Speaker, there are a couple of matters that I would like to raise. Six o'clock is approaching, and I am now prepared to begin the debate, if necessary, but I wonder if the government House leader could indicate to us what business he plans for this evening and anything else he would like to say.

Mr. MacEachen: I intend to continue with third reading of the bill for the rest of the day, if necessary. If third reading is disposed of, then I will consult with my colleagues as to which of the bills we would take at eight o'clock.

## STATUTE LAW (METRIC CONVERSION) AMENDMENT ACT, 1976

AMENDMENTS TO WHEAT BOARD ACT TO FACILITATE CONVERSION TO METRIC SYSTEM

The House resumed consideration of the motion of Mr. Marchand (for the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce) that Bill C-23, to facilitate conversion to the metric system of measurement, be read the third time and do pass.

Mr. Speaker: I take it that the sense of the House is to debate the bill on third reading. Perhaps we should call it six o'clock. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Don Mazankowski (Vegreville): Mr. Speaker, there is no point in calling it six o'clock because I have a lot to say on this bill. It is two minutes to six.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Clark: Government members are all going out to join the hon. member for Crowfoot (Mr. Horner).

Some hon. Members: Where is Horner?

Mr. Mazankowski: Mr. Speaker, I rise to speak on this occasion with a great deal of disappointment because we thought we were dealing with the minister in good faith. He undertook in the House to consult the producers of this country about the application of this measure. He also indicated he would be prepared to consult the opposition parties and all members of the House to determine what might be the best mechanism for engaging in that consultative process. In the amendment on which we have just voted the hon. member for Qu'Appelle-Moose Mountain (Mr. Hamilton) put forth a logical and well reasoned suggestion which he thought the minister would be eager to accept, namely, to refer the bill back to committee for the purpose of allowing the formal consultative process to take place. We feel very strongly about the fact that if there is to be a thorough consultative process, it