

Secretary to the Minister of Finance who gave quite a concise and objective statement of the state of affairs, as I understand them, involving the negotiations for this particular park. I commend him for it. I should like to note, however, that one of his points was there would have to be negotiations to obtain the title to land which is not Crown land, land already in the name of the province of Saskatchewan. The fact is, however, that most of the land under consideration is presently owned by the Crown; very little is privately held, although a portion of the Crown land is under lease for grazing purposes at this time.

There is no question that many people would like to see a park created in this part of the province. A good deal of information has been made available by the government on this subject, and the last time it was discussed I pointed out that, in response to a motion for papers, I received a two-inch thick volume of material. This has been very useful to me and to the hon. member for Assiniboia (Mr. Knight) in whose constituency most of the land is located. I received further information in response to one of the particulars contained in the material delivered in response to this motion for papers.

The purpose of this motion is that we would like to have a map or description of the area which the federal government is proposing to include in the park. The parliamentary secretary says that he cannot make it available, that it would release information on one aspect of the negotiations. This is nonsense, Mr. Speaker. The fact is that a good many of the local residents know a great deal about what is going on at the present time. I have no objection to that, but there are a good many rumours going around as well about what is taking place and some of these could be set to rest if the government were prepared to give adequate information. As I think the parliamentary secretary implied, the livelihood of some of the residents in that area will be affected but he says that we cannot get the map.

Mr. Speaker, I know a private individual personally who went to the minister's office and said he would like to get more information on this park. The minister was very co-operative and referred him to one of his officials who showed him a map of that area. Yet, Mr. Speaker, the government is denying members of this House the right to have access to that map. I suppose we could go around the back way and get the map, but I suggest that as a matter of right members should have access to it.

Another aspect of this subject was discussed last Thursday when, at page 689 of *Hansard* the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development (Mr. Sulatycky) is recorded as saying:

We are simply waiting for the provincial government of Saskatchewan to acquire the land in an unencumbered state and transfer it to the federal government so that a second national park may be established in Saskatchewan—

I should like to put on record a news release issued by the Minister of National Resources for the Province of Saskatchewan subsequent to that statement.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel): Order, please. I hesitate to interrupt the hon. member but the time allowed to him by special order has expired. According to the same order, it is my duty to put the question to the House.

Federal-Provincial Arrangements Act

Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel): All those in favour please say yea.

Some hon. Members: Yea.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel): All those opposed please say nay.

Some hon. Members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel): In my opinion the yeas have it. I declare the motion carried.

An hon. Member: There are not enough of them!

Mr. Gilbert: Justice triumphs!

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel): Am I to understand that the order also contemplated calling it six o'clock?

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): That is true, Mr. Speaker. We had expected to have to take a recorded vote which would have taken us to six o'clock. Since that has not been necessary we suggest you call it six o'clock.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel): Is it agreed we call it six o'clock?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. Laniel): The hour appointed for consideration of Private Members' business having expired, I do now leave the chair until 8 p.m.

At 5.21 p.m. the House took recess.

AFTER RECESS

The House resumed at 8 p.m.

GOVERNMENT ORDERS

**FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL FISCAL ARRANGEMENTS ACT,
1972**

**AUTHORIZATION OF FISCAL PAYMENTS TO AND TAX
COLLECTION AGREEMENTS WITH PROVINCES**

The House resumed consideration of Bill C-8, to authorize the making of certain fiscal payments to provinces, to authorize the entry into tax collection agreements with provinces, and to amend the Established Programs (Interim Arrangements) Act, as reported (without amendment) from the Standing Committee on Finance, Trade and Economic Affairs, and motion No. 1 of Mr. Lambert (Edmonton West).