

S.O. 43

[Translation]

DECORATIONS AND AWARDS

GONCOURT PRIZE—TRIBUTE TO GREAT ACADIAN, ANTONINE MAILLET—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Irénée Pelletier (Sherbrooke): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I request the unanimous consent of the House to present a motion dealing with an important and urgent matter.

As the Goncourt prize is the most prestigious award bestowed upon a Francophone writer for her complete literary works, and as, for the first time since its inception, this prize has been awarded to a Francophone writer born outside the boundaries of France, thus acknowledging on a worldwide basis the outstanding talent of this great Acadian writer, Antonine Maillet, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Madawaska-Victoria (Mr. Corbin):

That this House pay tribute to Mrs. Maillet for the honour bestowed upon her yesterday which in turn is shared by her province, Acadia and Canada.

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PUBLIC WORKS

REQUEST FUNDS BE GRANTED FOR CONSTRUCTION OF FEDERAL BUILDING IN ROUYN-NORANDA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Henri Tousignant (Témiscamingue): Mr. Speaker, under the terms of Standing Order 43, I request the unanimous consent of the House to present a motion dealing with an important and urgent matter.

I should like to appeal to the Postmaster General (Mr. Fraser) and to the Minister of Employment and Immigration (Mr. Atkey) with regard to an abnormal situation in my riding, more specifically in the towns of Rouyn and Noranda.

Over seven years ago—that is, in 1971—to meet the urgent need created by cramped quarters and unacceptable working conditions for the postal employees, the Manpower Centre staff and the employees of the Department of National Revenue who are now working in old obsolete buildings, the Public Works Department purchased a lot. Can the ministers—

Mr. Speaker: Order. Would the hon. member put his motion?

Mr. Tousignant: Mr. Speaker, could the ministers responsible for those departments advise the Minister of Public Works of their needs at this time so that he might take them into account in his budget for this year with a view to erecting a federal building?

[Mr. Speaker.]

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AGRICULTURE

POULTRY—REASON FOR CANADA-U.S. IMPORT AGREEMENT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Adrien Lambert (Bellechasse): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to Standing Order 43, I seek the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion on a very important matter.

In view of the fact that the Canada-U.S. agreement grants American poultry producers 6.3 per cent of the Canadian chicken market until December 31, 1979, and that this agreement will make it possible for American producers to deliver to this country up to 52 million pounds in 1981, which will be detrimental indeed to Canadian producers, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Rimouski (Mr. Allard):

That the Minister of Agriculture be instructed to inform the House of the reasons behind this Canada-U.S. agreement which appears to favour American producers at the expense of their Canadian counterparts.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the hon. member's motion. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, 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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[English]

ENERGY

GLACE BAY, N.S.—DEMONSTRATION PROJECT FOR CLEANING COAL—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Andy Hogan (Cape Breton-East Richmond): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the terms of Standing Order 43.

In view of the concern in the nation and in this House expressed recently about the effects of acid rain, and in view of the large potential of energy in the Nova Scotia coalfields, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Brant (Mr. Blackburn):

That the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources co-operate financially with the government of Nova Scotia in establishing a demonstration project of a fluidized bed combustion chamber in Glace Bay for the purpose of cleaning coal with a relatively high sulphur content.

Mr. Speaker: This motion can be presented for debate only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.