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acute shortage of qualified staff, he will now see that the proper people are hired.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Under the provisions of Standing Order 43 such a motion can only be presented with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

ORDER OF CANADA

AFFIRMATION OF SUPPORT FOR ORDER—MOTION UNDER S.O.

Mr. Marcel Prud'homme (Saint-Denis): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to move a motion requiring unanimous consent.

Tonight His Excellency the Governor General of Canada will admit a number of Canadians to the Order of Canada. Throughout this country many individual Canadians contribute, through their own work or through public and charitable service, above and beyond the average. They do so without any thought of reward and often with the sacrifice of personal pursuits. I move:

That this House therefore affirms its support of the Order of Canada as a public recognition and expression of gratitude to these distinguished citizens.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: Pursuant to Standing Order 43 such a motion can only be presented with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Mr. Speaker: There being unanimous consent, it is therefore moved by the hon. member for Saint-Denis (Mr. Prud'homme), seconded by the hon. member for Sarnia-Lambton (Mr. Cullen):

That this House therefore affirms its support of the Order of Canada as a public recognition and expression of gratitude to these distinguished citizens.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Motion agreed to.

• (1410)

PENITENTIARIES

SUGGESTED REMOVAL OF SOLICITOR GENERAL FOR PROCEEDING WITH CONSTRUCTION OF INSTITUTION AT STURGEON IN VIEW OF OPPOSITION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Peter Elzinga (Pembina): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the fact that in excess of 240 property owners and residents in the vicinity of the [Mr. Reynolds.] proposed medium and maximum security prison in the municipal district of Sturgeon are opposed to the building of this institution on prime agricultural land when more marginal land is nearby and have voiced this opposition to the minister, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Battle River (Mr. Malone):

That the Prime Minister remove the Solicitor General from his present portfolio because of the lack of openness that the minister has shown in his dealings with the residents of Pembina by first, on October 28, 1975, stating he would not proceed with the construction of the prison if the residents were opposed and then, on February 25, 1976, by reversing his position by stating that he planned to proceed even though there was considerable objection.

Again, I insist that the Solicitor General-

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The hon. member brings forward a motion for the removal of the Solicitor General. The rest seems to be debate as opposed to a motion.

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Speaker: Before such a motion may be presented pursuant to Standing Order 43 there must be unanimous agreement.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Translation]

HEALTH

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT OF FOOD INSPECTION SYSTEM— MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Eudore Allard (Rimouski): Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43, I request unanimous consent of the House to discuss an urgent and important matter.

As the present legislation of the federal Department of Agriculture leaves the door wide open to gigantic swindles all across Canada through the use of the seal "Canada Approved" in meat classification; as the current number of food inspectors is really inadequate, which state of affairs results in paralyzing the production of law-abiding producers; and, as it is the duty of the government to protect the consumer, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Champlain (Mr. Matte):

That this House enjoin the government to take all necessary steps to expand the food inspection services, with a view to ensuring that such unpleasant incidents as occurred last fall, in which carrion was distributed in Quebec, do not recur.

Mr. Speaker: The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Under Standing Order 43, this motion requires unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Yes.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: As there is not unanimous consent, the motion cannot be put.