

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, October 8, 1980

The House met at 2 p.m.

● (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL RELATIONS

RESOURCE OWNERSHIP—GOVERNMENT POSITION—MOTION
UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Thomas Siddon (Richmond-South Delta): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the fact that the hon. Minister of Employment and Immigration (Mr. Axworthy), who is the government's token western Canadian, has pledged in the House that the federal government has no intention of interfering with the provincial right to resource ownership and also has professed that the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) should not be suspected of mounting an evil Machiavellian plot to establish a new socialist republic, and in light of the Prime Minister's disdain for similar promises made by other well-known Liberal spokesmen from the west, such as Mr. Gordon Gibson, as well as the loquacious Liberal Senate leader from British Columbia, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Esquimalt-Saanich (Mr. Munro):

That the Prime Minister be directed to clarify that it is he and he alone who speaks for Canada and that Canadians should not take seriously any promises made by that vanishing breed of prominent Liberals from western Canada.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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SHIPPING

TAX INCENTIVES TO HELP PATRIATE CANADIAN-OWNED
MARINE FLEET—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Howard Crosby (Halifax West): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Since the government's decision to patriate the constitution will not resolve economic problems or create new jobs for unemployed Canadians, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Annapolis Valley-Hants (Mr. Nowlan):

That this House direct the government to help patriate the Canadian-owned marine fleet by providing tax incentives similar to those available to Canadian shipowners through registry in other marine nations like Great Britain.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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MONOPOLIES

NEWSPAPER INDUSTRY—REPORTED INCREASE IN ADVERTISING
RATES BY "WINNIPEG FREE PRESS"—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Cyril Keeper (Winnipeg-St. James): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. The recent demise of the *Winnipeg Tribune* has left Winnipeg with only one daily newspaper. On October 7 it was reported that the *Winnipeg Free Press*, now enjoying a monopoly position, will be increasing its advertising rates by as much as 37 per cent effective December 1, 1980. Therefore, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles):

That this House calls upon the government to introduce effective competition legislation creating the conditions for a genuine free press.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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MINING

REQUEST FOR FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL-INDUSTRY MEETINGS TO
IMPROVE SAFETY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bill Yurko (Edmonton East): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity, and I mean urgent and pressing necessity. The recent increasing incidence of injuries and fatalities in the mining industry cries out for action. Therefore, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Joliette (Mr. La Salle):

That this House request that the Minister of State for Mines and the Minister of Labour exercise their respective responsibilities and immediately provide leadership through joint federal-provincial-industry meetings and action to reverse this tragic performance in industrial safety.