

Madam Speaker: Order. I am sorry, but I seem to have to call the Hon. Member for Broadview-Greenwood to order several times today. Yesterday I indicated to the Hon. Member that when presenting petitions, what is allowed is to read out the title of the petition, and that a Member should not read any argumentation that is made with regard to that petition. Therefore I would ask the Hon. Member to be very short, as I would ask any Hon. Member—

An Hon. Member: What about the other one?

Madam Speaker: It was very short. I would ask the Hon. Member, therefore, to be short and just give the House the title of the petition, which she has done already. Will she now proceed to the prayer?

Ms. McDonald: I was summarizing in view of your advice of yesterday. I was summarizing and was near the end of my summary of the petition.

Madam Speaker: Order, please. There is no such thing as summarizing. The title, the prayer; that's it.

Mr. Rossi: No wonder you are NDP; you are stubborn.

Ms. McDonald: Wherefore the undersigned, your petitioners, humbly pray and call upon Parliament to demonstrate its opposition to the denigration of women by enacting an Act to amend the Broadcasting Act, as introduced by myself on March 8, 1983. And as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

MR. ANGUISH—RETENTION OF CROWSNEST PASS RATE

Mr. Doug Anguish (The Battlefords-Meadow Lake): Madam Speaker, I have the honour and duty to present a petition this afternoon signed by farmers from the Macrorie area of Saskatchewan. The petition of the undersigned residents of the Province of Saskatchewan who now avail themselves of their ancient and undoubted right thus to present a grievance common to your petitioners in the certain assurance that your Honourable House will therefore provide a remedy, humbly sheweth that the undersigned have carefully considered the alternative plan presented by the New Democratic Party; that the Crow rate must be maintained; and that the railways of all Canada must be upgraded and developed into a modern and efficient transport system.

Wherefore the undersigned, your petitioners, humbly pray and call upon Parliament to adopt the provisions of the New Democratic Party alternate plan which will not change the Crowsnest Pass freight rate. And as in duty bound your petitioners will ever pray.

MR. YOUNG—SAFE DRINKING WATER

Mr. Neil Young (Beaches): Madam Speaker, I too have a petition which it is my duty and pleasure to present to the

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House. The petitioners from a number of residences in the Province of Ontario who now avail themselves of their ancient and undoubted right thus to present a grievance common to your petitioners in the certain assurance that your Honourable House will therefore provide a remedy, humbly sheweth that toxic chemicals are posing an increasing threat to the potable waters of this Province; that there is presently no legislation which will guarantee the safety and healthfulness of those waters; and that Canada's neighbour, the United States of America, has legislation entitled "The Safe Drinking Water Act, 1974".

Wherefore we, the undersigned, humbly pray and call upon Parliament to enact a safe drinking water act which will protect and enhance drinking water quality in all areas of Canada. It is signed by 66 Ontario residents.

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MOTION TO PROCEED TO ORDERS OF THE DAY

Hon. Yvon Pinard (President of the Privy Council): Madam Speaker, I move, seconded by the Minister of National Defence (Mr. Lamontagne):

That this House now proceed to Orders of the Day.

Madam Speaker: All those in favour of the motion will please say yea.

Some Hon. Members: Yea.

Madam Speaker: All those opposed will please say nay.

Some Hon. Members: Nay.

Madam Speaker: In my opinion the yeas have it.

And more than five Members having risen:

Madam Speaker: Call in the Members.

And the division bells having been rung:

Some Hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Madam Speaker: Order, please. Order, please. From where I am, I cannot see what is written on the hats that are being worn by some Members of the New Democratic Party, but I would ask those Members to remove their hats. We spoke about hats earlier and I will not have a ruling made by the Speaker which was in perfect conformity with the rules of the House being mocked in this way.

Some Hon. Members: Hear, hear!

The House divided on the motion (Mr. Pinard), which was agreed to on the following division: