

S. O. 31

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): The next vote is on Motion No. 14, in the name of Mrs. Finestone. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

Some hon. members: No.

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

Some hon. members: Yea.

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

Some hon. members: Nay.

Mr. Speaker: In my opinion the nays have it.

And more than five Members having risen:

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Pursuant to Standing Order 76(8), the recorded division on the motion is deferred.

The question is on Motion No. 15 standing in the name of Mrs. Finestone. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

Some hon. members: No.

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

Some hon. members: Yea.

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

Some hon. members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): In my opinion, the nays have it.

And more than five Members having risen:

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Pursuant to Standing Order 76(8), the recorded vote on the motion stands deferred.

The question is on the amendment to Motion No. 42. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the said motion?

Some hon. members: Agreed.

Some hon. members: No.

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

Some hon. members: Yea.

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

Some hon. members: Nay.

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): In my opinion the nays have it.

And more than five Members having risen:

The Acting Speaker (Mr. DeBlois): Pursuant to Standing Order 76(8), the recorded vote on the amendment stands deferred.

It being one o'clock, I do now leave the Chair until two o'clock this afternoon.

At 1 p.m. the House took recess.

AFTER RECESS

STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO S. O. 31

[English]

POST OFFICE CLOSURE

Mr. Lorne Nystrom (Yorkton—Melville): Mr. Speaker, yesterday Canada Post announced that it is going to be closing the Yorkton post office on March 1, 1991.

Yorkton is a city of nearly 20,000 people, a trading area of some tens of thousands of people, and despite that this callous government across the way wants to close the post office.

I want a justification from the government across the way as to why they it is doing it. I also want it to reverse that decision because if Yorkton, with at almost 20,000 people, goes, then what about the other towns and the other small cities across Saskatchewan and across Canada? How long is it before Kamsack, Estevan, or Weyburn are closed as well?

The government across the way does not give a damn about rural Canada. I invite today the back-benchers of the Conservative Party to stand up and join me in a fight to save the Yorkton post office, to reverse that decision, to stand up for rural Canada, and to stand up for some of the historical values and contributions made in the