

S.O. 43

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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MARINE TRANSPORT

REQUEST "SAMSON V" CONTINUE SERVICE ON FRASER RIVER, B.C.—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Miss Pauline Jewett (New Westminster-Coquitlam): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43.

In view of the tradition of long, useful service provided to the Fraser River by the sternwheel steamer *Samson V* which contributes to the safety of all marine traffic in the harbour of New Westminster and on the lower Fraser, and in view of the fact that 14 jobs will be lost if the *Samson V* is put out of service, this being the intention of the Department of Public Works, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Mission-Port Moody (Mr. Rose):

That this House instruct the Minister of Public Works to take steps immediately to ensure that the *Samson V* continue its important work of ensuring safety on the Fraser River and, therefore, that the *Samson V* be continued in active service.

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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THE CONSTITUTION

BEST WISHES TO FIRST MINISTERS IN UPCOMING DISCUSSIONS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Peter Lang (Kitchener): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, on a matter which I am sure will gain the support of all members of this House.

On Monday, the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau) will meet with the provincial premiers to discuss matters relating to our constitution. In view of the fact that the recent referendum in Quebec resulted in a vote of confidence for renewed federalism in Canada, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Edmonton-Strathcona (Mr. Kilgour):

That this House convey its best wishes to all the provincial premiers and the Prime Minister in the hope that, through serious consideration and compromise and in a spirit of co-operation, progress can be achieved toward a renewal of the Canadian federation.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CANADA PENSION PLAN

DELAY IN PAYING BENEFITS—CRITICISM OF COMPUTER PROGRAMMING—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Girve Fretz (Erie): Madam Speaker, I would like to propose a motion under the provisions of Standing Order 43.

Given the fact that since the Canada Pension Plan changed over to a new computer, the programming and operation of that computer system has been so badly devised that civil servants with many years experience are quitting their jobs in despair of ever getting the program back on track, and the fact that these departures are compounding an already untenable situation so that even routine applications under the Canada Pension Plan are taking upward of six months to process, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Simcoe North (Mr. Lewis):

That this House urge the responsible minister to immediately facilitate the processing of Canada Pension Plan applications by swift and judicious means, so that widows and orphans will not suffer unnecessarily at the whims of a machine.

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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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

REPORTED ILLEGAL SEIZURE OF M.V. "PATRICIA"—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Howard Crosby (Halifax West): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police, presumably with the advice of the Minister of Justice and Minister of State for Social Development (Mr. Chrétien) or the Solicitor General (Mr. Kaplan), made a dramatic seizure of the motor vessel *Patricia* and its cargo of 22 tons of marijuana and arrested its crew off the coast of Nova Scotia.

Reports that the action may have been unlawful are supported by the return of the master to his U.S. residence without a Canadian criminal charge being laid, the transportation home of the Columbia crew at the expense of the Canadian taxpayer, and the disappearance from public view of the illicit cargo valued at \$50 million. To protect the interests of the officers involved, I move, seconded by the hon. member for York North (Mr. Gamble):

That this House direct the Solicitor General or the Minister of Justice to report on all aspects of the seizure on May 31, 1980, of the MV *Patricia*, the arrest of the crew and confiscation of the illicit cargo.