HOUSE OF COMMONS

Wednesday, March 22, 1978

The House met at 2 p.m.

• (1407)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

POST OFFICE

UNFULFILLED ORDERS FOR OLYMPIC COINS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Towers (Red Deer): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the fact that the Postmaster General (Mr. Lamontagne) has had time to consider the motion I presented in this House on Thursday, March 16, concerning apparent bankruptcies and possible fraudulent activities relating to unfilled Olympic coin orders, and due to the fact that the Canadian public has a right to protection under this federally-legislated program, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Edmonton Centre (Mr. Paproski):

That the Postmaster General state in this House today what action the government intends to take, and when, to remedy this unacceptable situation.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Translation]

AGRICULTURE

REQUEST DAIRY COMMISSION SPEED UP SUBSIDY PAYMENTS TO QUEBEC PRODUCERS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Roch La Salle (Joliette): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 and ask for the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion relating to a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In light of the negotiations in progress in Quebec between fluid milk producers and industrial milk producers and given the fact that their differences will probably not be ironed out for a few weeks; considering that the Canadian Dairy Commission has arbitrarily decided not to pay subsidies to the milk producers of Quebec as long as both opposing groups will not agree; and considering that this withholding of subsidies has the effect of penalizing all milk producers in Quebec, of adding to their financial problems and that it could very well force many of them into bankruptcy and incite producers to abandon that field of farm production, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Huron-Middlesex (Mr. McKinley):

That the House urge the Minister of Agriculture (Mr. Whelan) to direct the Canadian Dairy Commission to issue not later than April 1 the cheques which the milk producers of Quebec are entitled to and which should never be issued later than necessary because of protracted negotiations or legal hassles.

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

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[English]

LABOUR CONDITIONS

CALL FOR IMMEDIATE INSTITUTION OF JOB-CREATION PROGRAMS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa-Whitby): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Considering that Premier William Davis of Ontario has urged the federal government to implement immediately job-creation proposals at the very time his own government has brought in a budget which totally rejects job-creation programs and, indeed, introduced a regressive health tax increase of some 37.5 per cent, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles):

That this House urges the Government of Canada and the provincial government of Ontario to adopt immediately full employment as their number one priority and immediately implement direct economic measures such as tax cuts and capital works projects as were announced recently in the budget brought down by the government of Saskatchewan.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion requires unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.