

## S.O. 43

43 on a matter of pressing importance. I hope in view of the comments made by the Solicitor General, together with my consultations with him and with members of the official opposition, that we might have unanimous consent for this motion. All Canada views with disgust and dismay the announcement by mass murderer Clifford Olson that the sensibilities of Canadians may soon again be abused by his memoirs. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Willowdale (Mr. Peterson) and the hon. member for Central Nova (Mr. MacKay):

That while this House will and must always uphold the principle of freedom of the press, we unanimously urge all Canadian book, magazine and newspaper publishers to act in accordance with their responsibility to the people of Canada to the end that neither Clifford Olson nor his estate should be enriched by compensating him for the publication of his crimes.

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Some hon. Members:** No.

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● (1410)

### THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION

SIXTH ANNIVERSARY OF ELECTION AS PARTY LEADER—  
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

**Mr. Leonard Hopkins (Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke):** Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. Today marks the sixth anniversary of the election of the Right Hon. Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Clark) as Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Hopkins:** And we congratulate him on his survival in that position. In view of his outstanding performance as Leader of the Opposition for most of the past six years, and in view of the incisive judgment he demonstrated as Prime Minister, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Gatineau (Mr. Cousineau):

That this House unanimously urges the Progressive Conservative Party to support the leadership of the Right Hon. the Leader of the Opposition with a view to having him lead his party in the next general election.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Madam Speaker:** Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

**Madam Speaker:** The House has heard the motion. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

**Hon. Erik Nielsen (Yukon):** Madam Speaker, I have a minute or two to speak to this motion.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Nielsen:** I am glad to see that all members of the House join with us on this side in marking the sixth anniversary of the leadership of this party by the right hon. gentleman with whom I have the honour of sharing this desk.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Nielsen:** I should note in passing, however, that the mover of the motion failed to include his own leader in those same urgings, because the only thing we have going for us on this side is his leadership over there.

**Some hon. Members:** Oh, oh!

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**An hon. Member:** Explain.

**Mr. Nielsen:** That may not have emerged as I intended it, Madam Speaker. What I meant to say is that the only thing we have going for us over there is that leader, and we urge him to stay where he is until the next general election.

**Some hon. Members:** Hear, hear!

**Mr. Nielsen:** I am sure he will. I would like also to say to all of those hopefuls over there, the smiling Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources (Mr. Lalonde), the Minister of State for Science and Technology (Mr. Roberts), and the leader's seatmate, the Minister of Finance (Mr. MacEachen)—

**Mr. Baker (Nepean-Carleton):** He is among the hopeless.

**Mr. Nielsen:**—that I am sure he will stay where he is until the next general election. So we wholeheartedly join in those urgings, Madam Speaker, because had they the courage a week ago Friday to go ahead with the designated allotted day, that general election, much to the relief of the Canadian people, would have come about and saved this country from the disastrous policies which are being stubbornly adhered to by the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau).

**Madam Speaker:** The House has heard the motion. Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt the motion?

● (1415)

**Mr. Edward Broadbent (Oshawa):** Madam Speaker, as self-serving as it might just seem to be, I would like to suggest to the House leader of the Conservative Party that, speaking for all 33 hon. members of the NDP caucus, we would accept this proposed motion.

**Mr. Nielsen:** Where were they last Friday?

**Madam Speaker:** It being 2.15 p.m., I must interrupt this debate. Oral Questions.