

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Friday, September 7, 1973

The House met at 11 a.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

SUPPLY—DESIGNATION OF MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, AS ALLOTTED DAY

Mr. MacEachen: Mr. Speaker, I would like to confirm the statement I made yesterday that Monday will be an allotted day.

Mr. Bell: On a point of order, Mr. Speaker, we know the government House leader is leaving and we wish him good luck on his trip, but may I ask whom he has lined up to say no in his absence to all our requests?

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

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AGRICULTURE

GOVERNMENT POLICIES RESPECTING FEED GRAINS, BEEF EXPORTS AND WHEAT PRICES—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Jack Murta (Lisgar): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 to seek the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion on what is considered to be a matter of urgent and pressing necessity, namely, the confusion and uncertainty throughout the agricultural industry in Canada caused by the ambiguous and incomplete policies of the government and the administration of those policies with regard to feed grains, beef exports and wheat prices. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Huron (Mr. McKinley):

That this House requests the Minister of Agriculture and the minister responsible for the Wheat Board to appear before the House of Commons Agriculture Committee to clear up the state of confusion occasioned by the government's ambiguous policies on feed grains, wheat support and beef embargoes.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The Chair will inquire whether there is unanimous consent, but before doing so I would remind the hon. member for Lisgar and also other hon. members that the form of these motions should be watched closely in view of the fact that under the practice we have developed there is no opportunity to reply to the allegations or charges which may be included in a motion or in its preamble. I think hon. members should exercise some discipline and care in ensuring that these motions are not couched in too clearly and obviously argumentative a form. In any event, I will inquire whether there is

unanimous consent for the motion proposed by the hon. member for Lisgar. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent.

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POLLUTION

GREAT LAKES AND MAIN RIVERS—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION

Mr. Otto Jelinek (High Park-Humber Valley): Mr. Speaker, in view of the continuing pollution problems affecting not only the Great Lakes but also our main rivers and streams, and in view of the apparent lack of progress in providing any relief for this most serious situation, I ask leave of the House under the terms of Standing Order 43 to move, seconded by the hon. member for York East (Mr. Arrol):

That this House instruct the government to take immediate steps to end the growing pollution of our lakes, rivers and streams, and that the government of the United States be pressed into advancing its timetable of commitment to clean up Lake Erie and Lake Ontario.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent.

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FAMILY ALLOWANCES ACT AND YOUTH ALLOWANCES ACT

AMENDMENTS TO INCREASE PAYMENTS

Hon. Allan J. MacEachen (for the Minister of National Health and Welfare) moved for leave to introduce Bill C-223, to amend the Family Allowances Act and the Youth Allowances Act.

Motion agreed to, bill read the first time and ordered to be printed.