

S.O. 43

AGRICULTURE

SUGGESTED USE OF PRAIRIE FARM EMERGENCY FUND FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Doug Neil (Moose Jaw): Madam Speaker, whereas an examination of the 1982-83 estimates tabled last week is an indication that the Minister of Agriculture gives little priority to research and development in agriculture and is more concerned about market development. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Bow River (Mr. Taylor):

That the Minister of Agriculture forthwith bring in legislation to make the \$9 million of producers' money held for the past ten years in the Prairie Farm Emergency Fund available to producers for research and development of cereal grains and oilseeds suitable for cultivation in the Canadian Wheat Board area or, alternatively, undertake to pay interest on the fund at current rates, which would amount to approximately \$4,000 per day, until such time as suitable research arrangements are made.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CRIMINAL CODE

CALL FOR INVESTIGATION OF GUN CONTROL SECTION AND OF EMERGENCY ORDER IN COUNCIL—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, the present gun control section of the Criminal Code of Canada is cumbersome, expensive to administer, and ineffective. It does not prevent criminals from securing or using firearms, knives, hatchets or hammers. It does militate against peaceful citizens in their proper use of guns and, along with the emergency order in council authorizing civilian detention camps, it aggravates concern about what is happening to our Canada. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for York North (Mr. Gamble):

That this House urges the government to order a full public investigation into both these matters.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CANADA PENSION PLAN

CALL FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO BENEFIT DISABLED AND WOMEN—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Neil Young (Beaches): Madam Speaker, I too rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. In view of the fact that proposals to improve pensions for the disabled and women under the Canada Pension Plan are being opposed by the Tory

government of Ontario, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Hamilton Mountain (Mr. Deans):

That this House calls on all Progressive Conservatives, in particular the hon. member for Rosedale and the hon. member for Kingston and the Islands—those self-proclaimed lefties—to lobby the Ontario Tories to come into the twentieth century, albeit kicking and screaming, and agree to implement much needed improvements to our pension system, especially for the disabled and women.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE ADMINISTRATION

APPOINTMENT OF PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARIES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John Bosley (Don Valley West): The government's promotion policy allows it to demote parliamentary secretaries who keep their criticisms private, fire public servants for telling the truth about the government's philosophy and, the same week, promote to parliamentary secretary, backbenchers who have written public letters saying the government is wrong. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Brampton-Georgetown (Mr. McDermid):

That the government urged to clarify its policy publicly so that we might all know how it reconciles these irreconcilable actions.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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THE JUDICIARY

SUGGESTED NOMINATION OF WOMAN TO SUPREME COURT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John McDermid (Brampton-Georgetown): Madam Speaker, given that no woman has ever been appointed to the Supreme Court of Canada, even though many qualified women have served with distinction the superior and supreme courts of the provinces, and given that the government has an opportunity to rectify past neglect when it appoints a new member to the Supreme Court later this week, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Kingston and the Islands (Miss MacDonald):

That in filling the vacancy left on the Supreme Court of Canada by the retirement of Mr. Justice Ronald Martland, the government break the tradition of 115 years of male appointments by nominating a qualified woman to the Supreme Court of Canada.