

S.O. 43

That since this Treasury Board decision has robbed each member of the force of \$750 to \$1,600 each, the Solicitor General and the President of the Treasury Board immediately make the recent pay award retroactive to January 1, 1981.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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POLITICAL PARTIES

CONSERVATIVE PARTY POSITIONS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Robert Daudlin (Essex-Kent): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. Whereas the hon. member for Edmonton South (Mr. Roche) stated yesterday in an article in *The Globe and Mail*, and again in this House, that he advocates a foreign affairs debate, whereas his House leader in a CP wire report today stated that the official opposition wishes to spend its allotted time on economic issues, and whereas the Conservative party has decided to debate capital punishment this Thursday instead of economic issues, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Madawaska-Victoria (Mr. Corbin):

That the Leader of the Opposition and his House leader get their act together and indicate to this House and the country whether they are sincere in their desire to discuss economic questions or whether this is further evidence of the duplicity, disintegrating Tory leadership, and party disloyalty expressed on the other side.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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TRADE

INCREASE IN DEFICIT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Dave Nickerson (Western Arctic): Madam Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43 I wish to introduce a motion. Whereas new statistics show that Canada has registered an outrageous current account deficit in excess of \$1 billion during the first quarter of 1981, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Calgary South (Mr. Thomson):

That this House condemns the Liberal government and in particular the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, who insists on importing high-priced foreign oil, and the Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce for his lack of any concern respecting exports, who, even more than the others, must bear the responsibility for this abysmal trading record.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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ENERGY

OIL PRICING AGREEMENT—NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND PROVINCE OF ALBERTA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Lorne Greenaway (Cariboo-Chilcotin): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Since the February, 1980, general election the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources (Mr. Lalonde) has used, among other things, public confusion over metric conversion to mask an increase of some 52 cents a gallon in gasoline prices, most of it federal tax. This is a clear violation of Liberal election promises. The minister and his colleagues continue to live in a fantasy land where Canadians are paid only \$17.75 a barrel for oil—

Madam Speaker: Order, please. Could the hon. member do away with the props?

Mr. Greenaway: —but foreigners are gladly handed \$40 plus a barrel, a ridiculous situation that is incomprehensible to anyone of reasonable intelligence. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Bow River (Mr. Taylor):

That the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources tomorrow in Banff act in a realistic, reasonable and responsible manner in negotiating a pricing agreement with his Alberta counterpart, and end this ongoing lunacy.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE

RETROACTIVITY OF PAY INCREASES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity under the provisions of Standing Order 43. Whereas the contract with the RCMP expired December 31, 1980; whereas the RCMP's wages are lagging behind those of city police, such as Vancouver's, who are not subject to transfers necessitating, for example, such items as new mortgages at high interest rates and whereas it is doubtful if any police force in Canada gives so much overtime and free work on days off as does the RCMP, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Cariboo-Chilcotin (Mr. Greenaway):

That this House urges the Treasury Board and the cabinet to alter the proposed contract by honouring the January 1, 1981, date and by increasing the pay scale.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.