S.O. 43

record \$535.9 million in the first three months of this year, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Northumberland (Mr. Hees):

That this House bring the matter of the ailing automotive industry before the appropriate standing committee forthwith, in order that all parties concerned may have an opportunity to consider and deal with such suggestions as: temporarily removing the 9 per cent federal excise tax on North American-built vehicles, implementing quotas on foreign-built automobiles, and in general reviewing and improving the obsolete and inadequate auto pact.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CANADA DAY

INTRODUCTION OF LEGISLATION TO DESIGNATE JULY 1— MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Maurice A. Dionne (Northumberland-Miramichi): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the fact that Canada has been a free and independent nation for 113 years, and that it is long past the time when we should be acting accordingly, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Laprairie (Mr. Deniger):

That this House directs that July 1 shall henceforth be known officially as Canada Day, and that the government urgently consider the necessity of introducing a bill to give Canada Day legal as well as symbolic status prior to Canada Day of this year.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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TRANSPORT

PROVINCIAL OWNERSHIP OF ARTHUR LAING BRIDGE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Thomas Siddon (Richmond-South Delta): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the fact that the federal government has prevented commuter vehicles from using the federally-owned, \$23 million Arthur Laing Bridge between Richmond and Vancouver, B.C., even though airport-generated traffic amounts to only one-tenth of the bridge's capacity, and since the former Progressive Conservative minister of transport had expressed a willingness to negotiate transfer of this bridge to the province of British Columbia, which would be better able to work out a solution of the problem of shared-use by commuters, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Surrey-White Rock-North Delta (Mr. Friesen):

That this House direct the Minister of Transport to commence negotiations immediately with the province of British Columbia with the aim of transferring ownership of the Arthur Laing Bridge to the province, so that the bridge can be used in a more cost-effective way by the commuters of Richmond and Delta.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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VETERANS AFFAIRS

VETERANS' STATUS FOR MACKENZIE-PAPINEAU BATTALION-MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Bob Rae (Broadview-Greenwood): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, to move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg North Centre (Mr. Knowles):

That members of the Mackenzie-Papineau Battalion and other Canadians who fought with Spanish Republican forces in the Spanish civil war between 1936 and 1939 be given the status of veterans under federal legislation and be made eligible for veterans pensions and benefits.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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POLITICAL PARTIES

LEADER OF PROGRESSIVE CONSERVATIVE PARTY—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. David Smith (Don Valley East): Madam Speaker, I rise, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, to move a motion of urgent and pressing necessity.

In view of the fact that the right hon. Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Clark) has chosen to go against the motion that this Parliament should act on its own to patriate the Canadian constitution, a motion that was moved by a fellow-Albertan of the Leader of the Opposition, the hon. member for Edmonton East (Mr. Yurko), and received the unanimous approval of this House, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Humber-Port au Port-St. Barbe (Mr. Tobin):

That the right hon. Leader of the Opposition advise this House and the people of Canada who speaks for the Conservative party in this House, the leader or the members of his caucus who approved this motion.

Madam Speaker: Such a motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

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