

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, May 16, 1977

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

REQUEST FOR NEW MEASURES TO DEAL WITH INFLATION AND UNEMPLOYMENT—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Ray Hnatyshyn (Saskatoon-Biggar): Mr. Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the consensus at the recent summit meetings that inflation and unemployment are priority problems, Canada leading in the latter category and being a strong contender in the former, I move, seconded by the hon. member for St. John's West (Mr. Crosbie):

That the Prime Minister make a statement on motions of new initiatives, if any, of the government to deal with these severe Canadian problems rather than prouetting around the difficulties of our country.

Mr. Speaker: Presentation of such a motion pursuant to Standing Order 43 can be done only with the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: No.

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ANTI-INFLATION PROGRAM

EXCESSIVE SALARY INCREASE GRANTED TO PRESIDENT OF KAISER RESOURCES LIMITED—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Stanley Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Mr. Speaker, I ask leave to present a motion under Standing Order 43. If anyone is opposed to the presentation of this motion I hope he will identify himself clearly. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Nanaimo-Cowichan-The Islands (Mr. Douglas):

That this House, noting that the President and Chief Executive Officer of Kaiser Resources Limited received a pay increase in 1976 of \$60,363, while the employees of his companies were held to a 6 per cent increase in their hourly wage, and noting also that this massive increase of \$60,363 was approved by the Anti-Inflation Board, expresses its sense of outrage and calls on the government to insist that restraint should apply to those at the top, not just to those in the lower and middle income brackets.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The provisions of Standing Order 43 require that for the presentation of such a motion for debate the unanimous consent of the House is required. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre): Who said no to that?

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MANPOWER

MEASURES TO PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE EMPLOYMENT IN VIEW OF CLOSURE OF LABRADOR LINERBOARD MILL—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jack Marshall (Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe): Mr. Speaker, I, too, wish to move a motion under Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity which I am sure will be given consideration. The continuing and rapid deterioration of the economic structure of the Port au Port and Bay St. George area in western Newfoundland, as a result of the impending closure of Labrador Linerboard Mill which will affect some 2,100 jobs directly or indirectly, demands more than the passive action presently being directed toward that part of Canada. I therefore move, seconded by the hon. member for Egmont (Mr. MacDonald):

That this government orders that an immediate review of decentralization policy affecting the province of Newfoundland be carried out to consider the western sector of that province in order to provide alternative employment, a sensible direction of policy which is justifiably in line with government objectives, and existing infrastructure.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, such motion can only be presented for debate in the House with unanimous consent. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CANADA SUMMER GAMES

SUPPORT FOR HOLDING OF GAMES AT ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. John C. Crosbie (St. John's West): Mr. Speaker, I rise under Standing Order 43 on a motion of urgent and pressing necessity. In view of the new addition to the Prime Minister's (Mr. Trudeau) family, and I refer to the Newfoundland dog, Rideau '77, presented to him and his family today by the Summer Games Committee,—I promise no barking or yapping at the government today, because of the occasion—

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!