

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Thursday, December 18, 1975

The House met at 2 p.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

PROPOSED DELAY IN CONSTRUCTION OF PIGGYBACK
TERMINAL IN WINNIPEG PENDING ENVIRONMENTAL
STUDIES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Dan McKenzie (Winnipeg South Centre): Mr. Speaker, I rise on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity pursuant to the provisions of Standing Order 43. My motion relates to the CNR locating a piggyback terminal in southwest Winnipeg adjacent to a residential area and as the Department of the Environment study completed earlier this year is now obsolete due to the Minister of Urban Affairs granting a loan to the Manitoba government to build housing west of the terminal and in light of the fact the city of Winnipeg has sent a telegram to the federal government protesting the terminal being located on Wilkes Boulevard, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Dauphin (Mr. Ritchie):

That this House instruct the President of the Privy Council to rescind the Order in Council granting CNR the funds to build and that the Ministry of Transport direct CNR to halt all proceedings and calling for tenders until the Department of the Environment completes a new environmental study and that alternate sites be explored.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. Standing Order 43 requires unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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TRANSPORT

REQUEST THAT RAILWAYS BE ORDERED TO RUN TRAINS ON
ALL SUBDIVISIONS UNTIL WHEAT BOARD ORDERS FILLED—
MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Les Benjamin (Regina-Lake Centre): Mr. Speaker, I, too, rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a problem that you and I and many farmers in western Canada have. In view of the fact that the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways have decided not to run trains on certain branch lines in western Canada for weeks or months this winter and that this arrangement is agreed to by the Minister of Transport who also happens to be in charge of the Canadian Wheat Board, would you believe, and since farmers are being told they must deliver

carload lots of malting barley to another rail line, resulting in 30 to 40 miles of extra hauling, and hundreds of Canadian Wheat Board shipping orders being unfilled, if I may have unanimous consent from both sides of the House I would move, seconded by the hon. member for Winnipeg South Centre (Mr. McKenzie):

That this House calls upon the Minister of Transport, in charge of the Canadian Wheat Board, to require the railways to operate trains throughout the winter until all outstanding wheat board shipping orders on any given subdivisions have been filled.

Mr. Speaker: The motion pursuant to Standing Order 43 cannot be put without the unanimous consent of the House.

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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[Translation]

AGRICULTURE

PROPOSED STUDY OF DAIRY POLICY AND CONTROL OF DAIRY
PRODUCT IMPORTS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Léonel Beaudoin (Richmond): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I ask the unanimous consent of the House to move a motion dealing with an important matter of pressing necessity.

In view of the alarming content of the federal government's new dairy policy which seeks to reduce production of industrial milk by at least 10 per cent while increasing the import of dairy products, primarily cheese, and since this will inevitably result in a substantial reduction of the producers' revenues and automatically raise consumer prices, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Bellechasse (Mr. Lambert):

That this House consider immediately this new dairy policy which affects very unfavourably all Canadian producers and consumers in an economy which is already stifling them, and that it require the government to change immediately its agricultural policy and take such measures as controls over imports which protect Canadians rather than weaken them in several ways.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The House has heard the motion of the hon. member. Under the provisions of Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there such consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

Mr. Speaker: There is not unanimous consent; the motion therefore cannot be put.