

consideration. This is the reason the Senate committee recommended that the government give this group special consideration. We ask for it only on those two items. The parliamentary secretary said it would not make any difference. If the farmers are asking for it, and if it does not make any difference to the government, then why not give the people what they are asking for? This is all we ask.

**Mr. Knowles (Winnipeg North Centre):** Mr. Chairman, since it is almost four o'clock, and while the government House leader is still here—and many other cabinet ministers—may I ask the government House leader a question about Monday. In particular, will the government by Monday be ready to introduce its amendments to the income tax bill in respect of co-operatives and credit unions? If the answer to that is yes, will we take those sections of the bill when we deal with this legislation on Monday?

**Mr. MacEachen:** Mr. Chairman, the answer to both questions is yes. The amendments will be ready and we would like to move them on Monday.

**Mr. Baldwin:** The hon. member for Peace River heard the answer and he assumes, of course, that when this bill is first discussed in committee of the whole on Monday there will be requests made, and if the amendment in respect of co-operatives is available and a request is made at that time, of course we will be prepared to consider it. Apart from that, Mr. Chairman, and apart from any agreements made on the floor of the House, I would assume that when we resume committee of the whole consideration we will proceed in the normal, traditional way, starting at the top and working our way down to the bottom.

**The Chairman:** Order, please. Is it the wish of the committee that it be called four o'clock.

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

Progress reported.

**Mr. Deputy Speaker:** It being four o'clock, the House will now proceed to the consideration of private members' business as listed on today's order paper, namely, notices of motions, public bills, private bills. There will be difficulty conducting private members' hour if hon. members move about the chamber and carry on conversations. I have difficulty hearing the Clerk Assistant.

**Mr. Deachman:** Mr. Speaker, I understand that during private members' hour today there is disposition to take up item No. 4 on the order paper, appearing at page 8 and standing in the name of the hon. member for Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe (Mr. Marshall), and that the subject matter of item No. 6, although not the motion itself, be open for debate.

**Mr. Speaker:** Hon. members have heard the suggestion of the hon. member for Vancouver Quadra (Mr. Deachman). Is it the pleasure of the House to proceed on that basis?

**Some hon. Members:** Agreed.

### *Storage Facilities for Fish*

## PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS

### FISHERIES

#### REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE IN PROVIDING COLLECTION AND STORAGE FACILITIES

The House resumed, from Monday, November 23, 1970, consideration of the motion of the hon. member for Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe (Mr. Marshall):

That in the opinion of this House, the government should consider the advisability of providing loans and grants to encourage the building and improvement of fishing facilities along the Atlantic coastlines for the better collection and storage of all marketable species of fish.

**Mr. Walter C. Carter (St. John's West):** Mr. Speaker, I am very happy to rise and support the motion put before the House by my colleague, the hon. member for Humber-St. George's-St. Barbe (Mr. Marshall), on November 23, 1970. At that time the motion was talked out. I hope the motion will have more success today. It is not my intention to speak for too long because I know other members wish to speak on the motion, and I am sure the House will wish to vote on it before we adjourn.

I suspect the situation which motivated my colleague in placing this resolution on the order paper is similar to that which exists in most parts of Newfoundland and, I suspect, in most parts of eastern Canada. Fishermen in the Atlantic area, especially in Newfoundland, are severely handicapped by virtue of the fact that they do not have adequate facilities to exploit the fishing industry and to derive from it a living which they could make very successful if these facilities were provided.

• (4:00 p.m.)

I can think of situations in my riding of St. John's West where fishermen are required to operate under conditions that are antiquated. I make numerous requests to the Minister of Public Works (Mr. Laing) and the Minister of the Environment and Fisheries (Mr. Davis). It seems that these two ministers are hung-up on the old question as to which comes first, the chicken or the egg, because if you ask for a breakwater, cold storage equipment or wharves the Minister of Fisheries will report back to his colleague, the Minister of Public Works, that there are not enough Lffiishermen in the area to warrant the expenditure.

Of course, the minister does not explain to his colleague that there are few fishermen fishing in that area, due largely to the fact that there are not enough facilities to encourage them to make a successful living from fishing. I can think of instances, again in my own riding, when I requested a mechanical hoist to enable fishermen to remove fish from their boats and place them on the deck of the wharf. These devices cost perhaps \$1,000 or \$2,000, but certainly it is a very insignificant amount of money considering the huge sums that are being spent almost daily on projects that are certainly less worthy than some of those I have put forward to the two ministers.

It is regrettable, also, that in this day and age when many millions of people are starving, we have thousands of tons of high protein food such as herring and other species from the sea being dumped almost daily in Newfoundland because of the absence of proper cold storage