HOUSE OF COMMONS

Monday, April 19, 1982

The House met at 2 p.m.

• (1405)

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

[English]

THE ECONOMY

CALL FOR NEW GOVERNMENT POLICIES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Gordon Taylor (Bow River): Madam Speaker, the policies of the Liberal government are killing the initiative of Canadians, and scores—perhaps hundreds—are thinking seriously about leaving the country because of high interest rates, the national energy policy, the November 12 budget, the imposition of metric, etc., etc. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon, member for Western Arctic (Mr. Nickerson):

That this House urges the government to withdraw the budget, stop grabbing every cent it can get its fingers on, and replace its totalitarian concept of imposing policies on Canadians by reflecting the thinking of the people.

The new Constitution will be a hollow mockery if we do not have a Canada to govern.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTARY "THE ROAD TO PATRIATION"— MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Robert Wenman (Fraser Valley West): Madam Speaker, last week the CBC presented a documentary called "The Road to Patriation". The program elaborately described the role of the Prime Minister (Mr. Trudeau), the Minister of Justice (Mr. Chrétien), and the news media, while the Leader of the Opposition (Mr. Clark) received perhaps a five-second voice-over. The parliamentary committee was not even mentioned, and Parliament itself was made to appear irrelevant to the process. I move, seconded by the hon. member for Mississauga South (Mr. Blenkarn):

That the CBC be requested to document the role of Parliament, the parliamentary committee and the opposition, or else the committee to elect Jean Chrétien as the next leader of the Liberal Party be billed for the production costs.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

HOUSING

PROVISION OF RENTAL ACCOMMODATION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Nelson A. Riis (Kamloops-Shuswap): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter which is becoming more urgent and more pressing each day. As reported in Saturday's *Le Devoir* Ms. Anne Warren, an economist with CMHC, stated that the program of the government in support of rental accommodation construction is totally insufficient in light of the present policies of the government encouraging high mortgage rates. Therefore I move, seconded by the hon. member for Churchill (Mr. Murphy):

That this House agrees with the CMHC economist who says the government is failing in its support of rental accommodation and, in light of the inevitable crisis which will flow from this inadequacy, this House urges the minister responsible for housing to accept the responsibility vested in him and take immediate steps to provide Canadians with affordable rental accommodation which at the same time will stimulate the depressed construction industry and the related forest industry.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

THE CONSTITUTION

TRIBUTE TO PERSONNEL INVOLVED IN PATRIATION CEREMONIES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Leonard Hopkins (Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. Because of all the basic work, organization, security measures, maintenance, logistic duties, etc. which went into making Saturday, April 17, 1982, a very memorable and successful day in the history