

HOUSE OF COMMONS

Friday, June 23, 1972

The House met at 11 a.m.

ROUTINE PROCEEDINGS

AGRICULTURE

Second report of Standing Committee on Agriculture—
Mr. Beer.

[*Editor's Note: For text of above report, see today's
Votes and Proceedings.*]

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PRESENTATION OF PETITION FOR RESTORATION OF RAIL PASSENGER SERVICE IN NEWFOUNDLAND

Mr. Walter C. Carter (St. John's West): Mr. Speaker, I have the honour to present a petition containing the signatures of 31,000 Newfoundlanders praying that the government take the necessary action to restore rail passenger service in that province.

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AIR TRANSPORT

TABLING OF HAGUE AND MONTREAL CONVENTIONS RESPECTING HIJACKING

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): Mr. Speaker, I would like to table in French and English the Hague Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Seizure of Aircraft and the Montreal Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Civil Aviation. Canada ratified these conventions this week.

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PROVISION OF MORNING SITTINGS ON JUNE 26, 27 AND 29

Hon. Otto E. Lang (for the President of the Privy Council) moved:

That, on June 26, 27 and 29, 1972, the hours of sitting shall be:
11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.
2.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.
8.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m.

Provided that routine proceedings shall be taken up at 2.00 p.m. and that government orders shall be taken up between 11.00 a.m. and 1.00 p.m.

Motion agreed to.

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WAYS AND MEANS

DESIGNATION OF ORDER OF THE DAY FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS

Hon. P. M. Mahoney (Minister of State): Mr. Speaker, under Standing Order 60 I request that you designate the requisite order of the day for consideration Monday of the notices of ways and means motions tabled in conjunction with the budget on May 8.

ORAL QUESTION PERIOD

BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

REQUEST FOR SUBMISSION OF METHOD OF DEALING WITH ESTIMATES TO COMMITTEE ON PROCEDURE AND ORGANIZATION

Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Prince Albert): Mr. Speaker—

Some hon. Members: Hear, hear!

Mr. Diefenbaker: Mr. Speaker, it is too bad that the Minister of Finance is not here so that he could receive similar applause.

I direct my question to the Acting Prime Minister. In view of the experience last night when billions of dollars in estimates were passed in a matter of hours and the experience of the last year and a half during which expenditures do not receive that attention which constitutionally should be given by the House of Commons, and it being now apparent the amended rules have proven to be detrimental to this institution—

Some hon. Members: Oh, oh!

Mr. Diefenbaker: Well, all I can say is that last night the Prime Minister left in disgust over what was happening.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. I would hope that we would not resume at eleven o'clock the debate that we abandoned at three o'clock this morning. Perhaps the right hon. gentleman might like to ask his question.