Order Paper Questions

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

[Translation]

PUBLIC SERVICE

STRIKE OF GENERAL LABOUR AND TRADES GROUP— SUGGESTED MEASURES TO SETTLE—REQUEST FOR UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MOVE MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. René Matte (Champlain): Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Standing Order 43, I seek the unanimous consent of the House to discuss matter of urgent and pressing necessity.

On view of the fact that the current conflict-

Mr. Guay (St. Boniface): Welcome!

Mr. Matte: Mr. Speaker, we could very well do without the comments of the hon. member who has nothing cheerful about himself but his name.

On view of the fact that the current conflict between the government and Public Service blue collar workers greatly disturbs the administration and economy of Canada, particularly with regards to the handling of feed grains, which is seriously damaging Canada's balance of payments, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Rimouski (Mr. Allard):

That the President of Treasury Board summon all employees back to work and offer them salaries in line with those paid in the private sector, so as to put an end to work stoppages in the grain industry and elsewhere.

Mr. Speaker: Order, please. The House has heard the hon member's motion. Pursuant to Standing Order 43, this motion requires the unanimous consent of the House. Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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

OUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: 10, 245, 403, 553, 629, 827, 877, 909, 1,002, 1,081, 1,167, 1,205, 1,244, 1,246, 1,257, 1,291, 1,303, 1,318, 1,324, 1,328, 1,334, 1,356, 1,446, 1,448, 1,450, 1,459, 1,467, 1,468, 1,471, 1,472, 1,476, 1,479, 1,515, 1,519, 1,547, 1,549, 1,566, 1,567, 1,569, 1,572, 1,580, 1,586, 1,715, and 1,724.

[Mr. Speaker.]

Mr. Speaker, if questions Nos 40, 317, 397, 609, 1,083, 1,550 and starred question 1,530 could be made orders for return, these returns would be tabled immediately.

I ask, Mr. Speaker, that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

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AMENDMENTS TO INCOME TAX ACT

Question No. 10-Mr. Revnolds:

- 1. What would be the estimated cost to the Federal Treasury if the 11 per cent federal sales tax on building materials were removed?
- 2. What would be the estimated cost to the Federal Treasury if interest on the mortgages were allowed to be deductible before calculation of income tax?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance): 1. An exemption from sales tax for all building materials would reduce revenue by an estimated \$830 million. The proposals in the November 18 budget to reduce federal sales tax to 5 per cent on a comprehensive list of construction materials will result in an estimated revenue loss of \$450 million.

2. Allowing interest on mortgages to be deductible for income tax purposes would result in a revenue loss to the federal government approaching \$1 billion.

WINTER CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND—CONSTITUENCIES OF SASKATOON-BIGGAR AND SASKATOON-HUMBOLDT

Question No. 245—Mr. Hnatyshyn:

For the constituencies of Saskatoon-Biggar and Saskatoon-Humboldt, what projects have been approved by the government under the Winter Capital Projects Fund and, for each project, what were the (a) details (b) locations (c) amounts involved?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Finance):

Saskatoon—Biggar (b)	(a)	(e)
R.M. of Mayfield No. 406	rural municipal office	\$ 22,000
Rosthern	construction of water main	230,000
Saskatoon School Unit No. 42	addition to Radisson School	152,000
Saskatoon School Unit No. 42	addition to Borden School	54,000
R.M. of Laird No. 404	building to house municipal and police dept.	44,000
Saskatoon	maintenance facilities for transit dept.	868,840
Waldheim	street rebuilding, curb and gutter construction	7,837
Biggar Union Hospital Board	32 bed general hospital	1, 255, 100
Saskatoon	fire hall addition	18,000
Rosthern School Unit No. 49	addition to Rosthern Elementary School	245,900
Rosthern School Unit No. 49	addition to Hague school	135, 180
Rosthern School Unit No. 49	addition to Warman school	868,920