

S.O. 43

NATIONAL ENERGY PROGRAM

OPPORTUNITIES FOR CANADIANS—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Jim Schroder (Guelph): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43 on a matter of urgent and pressing necessity. In light of the fact that today is the first birthday of Canada's National Energy Program and therefore an appropriate occasion to acknowledge the many new opportunities for Canadians to participate in the vital and expanding energy sector, I move, seconded by the hon. member for London West (Mr. Burghardt):

That this House applauds the foresight of aggressive Canadian entrepreneurs and the efforts of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, which have reduced foreign ownership of Canada's petroleum industry by 10 per cent in the last year alone.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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CANADIAN ARMED FORCES

EXPRESSION OF GRATITUDE—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Ron Stewart (Simcoe South): Madam Speaker, I speak as a member of the subcommittee studying the Armed Forces reserves. In view of their distinction in protecting Canadians in two world wars and in the Korean conflict, and as Remembrance Day approaches, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Haldimand-Norfolk (Mr. Bradley):

That the Prime Minister and his government extend, on behalf of all members of the House, an expression of gratitude and assurances of increased moral and tangible support to the Canadian Armed Forces, regular and reserves, in their ongoing role in defence of the Canadian way of life.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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GARRISON DIVERSION

PROTEST AGAINST AMERICAN ACTION—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Hon. W. G. Dinsdale (Brandon-Souris): Madam Speaker, last Thursday the powerful Senate Appropriations Committee in Washington approved another \$4 million for the controversial Garrison Dam project in North Dakota and voted to remove the court injunction against the project filed by the American Audubon Society. Officials at the Canadian embassy have stated that "assurances that these changes will not affect Canada are meaningless." The premier and the minister of natural resources of the Manitoba government

have sent strong messages of protest to Washington in response to this action. In light of these developments I move, seconded by the hon. member for Lisgar (Mr. Murta):

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That the Prime Minister and the Minister of the Environment, along with the Secretary of State for External Affairs, particularly in view of the statement from the Canadian embassy that assurances that Canadian waters will not be polluted are meaningless, join with the Manitoba government leaders in personally protesting the action before it comes before the full Senate.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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POST OFFICE

PROPOSED INCREASE IN POSTAL RATES—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Otto Jelinek (Halton): Madam Speaker, because a near 100 per cent postal rate increase proposed for January 1 will not only contribute to our growing inflation rate but will also adversely affect the small business sector, jeopardize the viability of direct mail service, and cause hardship to the many Canadians who are already overtaxed, as this petition I hold will verify, I move, seconded by the hon. member for Haldimand-Norfolk (Mr. Bradley):

That this House instruct the minister responsible for the Canada Post Corporation to take immediate steps to have the unacceptable and inflationary proposed rate increase reduced to a realistic level and, at the same time, take all necessary action to correct inefficient postal operations which have resulted in regular, record, deficits within the Post Office.

Madam Speaker: Is there unanimous consent for this motion?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

Some hon. Members: No.

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NUCLEAR ENERGY

HEAVY WATER SPILL IN PORT ELGIN, ONT.—MOTION UNDER S.O. 43

Mr. Mark Rose (Mission-Port Moody): Madam Speaker, I rise under the provisions of Standing Order 43. The 600-gallon heavy water spill at the Bruce nuclear plant in Port Elgin from August 29 to September 5 contained almost three times as much radioactive poison as the U.S. Atomic Regulator Commission tried to dump into the Susquehanna River following the Three Mile Island accident. The dangers to the public have been downplayed by the Atomic Energy Control Board of Canada. The excuse is that the spill has been within so-called legal limits.